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0427 LITERATURE (ENGLISH) (US)

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Paper 2 (Drama), maximum raw mark 25

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Assessment Objectives

The **Assessment Objectives** are evenly weighted across each question. The assessment objectives for the paper are:

- AO1 show detailed knowledge of the content of literary texts in the three main forms (Drama, Poetry, and Prose)
- **AO2** understand the meanings of literary texts and their contexts, and explore texts beyond surface meanings to show deeper awareness of ideas and attitudes
- AO3 recognize and appreciate ways in which writers use language, structure, and form to create and shape meanings and effects
- AO4 communicate a sensitive and informed personal response

The Band Descriptors cover marks from 0 to 25, and apply to the marking of each question. They guide examiners to an understanding of the qualities normally expected of, or typical of, work in a band. They are a means of general guidance, and must not be interpreted as hurdle statements. For the purposes of standardisation of marking, they are to be used in conjunction with the Practice and Standardisation scripts discussed during the coordination meeting and with Team Leaders.

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Band 1	25 24 23	Answers in this band have all the qualities of Band 2 work, with further insight, sensitivity, individuality and flair. They show sustained engagement with both text and task.
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Band 2	22 21	Sustains a perceptive, convincing and relevant personal response • shows a clear critical understanding of the text
	20	 responds sensitively and in detail to the way the writer achieves her/his effects integrates much well-selected reference to the text
Band 3	19	Makes a well-developed, detailed and relevant personal response
	18	 shows a clear understanding of the text and some of its deeper implications
	17	makes a developed response to the way the writer achieves her/his effects
		supports with careful and relevant reference to the text
Band 4	16 15	 Makes a reasonably developed relevant personal response shows understanding of the text and some of its deeper implications
	14	 makes some response to the way the writer uses language shows some thoroughness in the use of supporting evidence from the text
Band 5	13	Begins to develop a relevant personal responseshows some understanding of meaning
	12 11	 makes a little reference to the language of the text uses some supporting textual detail
Band 6	10	Attempts to communicate a basic personal response to the task makes some relevant comments
	9	 shows a basic understanding of surface meaning of the text makes a little supporting reference to the text
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Band 7	7	Some evidence of simple personal response makes a few straightforward comments
	6 5	 shows a few signs of understanding the surface meaning of the text makes a little reference to the text
Band 8	4	Limited attempt to respond
	4 3 2	 shows some limited understanding of simple/literal meaning
Below Band 8	0/0–1	No answer / Insufficient to meet the criteria for Band 8.