

BOARD OF STUDIES

2002

HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION

English (Standard) Paper 2 — Modules

General Instructions

- Reading time 5 minutes
- Working time 2 hours
- Write using black or blue pen

Total marks – 60

Section I) Pages 2–4

20 marks

- Attempt Question 1
- Allow about 40 minutes for this section

Section II Pages 5–9

20 marks

- Attempt ONE question from Questions 2–5
- Allow about 40 minutes for this section

(Section III) Pages 10–11

20 marks

- Attempt Question 6
- Allow about 40 minutes for this section

Section I — Module A: Experience Through Language

20 marks Attempt Question 1 Allow about 40 minutes for this section

Answer the question in a writing booklet. Extra writing booklets are available.

In your answer you will be assessed on how well you:

- demonstrate understanding of the ways meaning is shaped through narrative, dialogue or image
- organise, develop and express your ideas using language appropriate to audience, purpose and form

Question 1 — Elective 1: Telling Stories (20 marks)

OR

- Elective 2: Dialogue (20 marks)

OR

— Elective 3: Image (20 marks)

What have you learned about *Telling Stories* OR *Dialogue* OR *Image* through your study of this module?

Support your response by reflecting upon the ideas and features of your prescribed text and at least ONE other related text of your own choosing.

Elective 1: Telling Stories

The prescribed texts are:

• Prose Fiction	 Henry Lawson, The Penguin Henry Lawson Short Stories * The Drover's Wife * In a Dry Season * The Loaded Dog * Joe Wilson's Courtship
• Media	 William Fitzwater, Through Australian Eyes * China * Hungary
Nonfiction	 Boori (Monty) Pryor, with Meme McDonald, <i>Maybe Tomorrow</i> or
	 Amanda Tattam, Tales from the Blackboard Choose Your Own Adventure: Don't We All? Rubicon Slippery, the School Mascot To Ms with Love? Kultitja Red Corner, White Corner Walls and Bridges Write for Life The Lesson Feral Line Five

OR

Elective 2: Dialogue

The prescribed texts are:

• Drama – Jane Harrison, Stolen

or

- David Williamson, The Club
- **Poetry** Komninos, *Komninos by the Kupful*
 - * hillston welcome
 - * eat
 - * drunken derelict
 - * diary of a residency
 - * thomastown talk

OR

Elective 3: Image

The prescribed texts are:

•	Poetry	 Kevin Gilbert (ed.), Inside Black Australia * Oodgeroo Noonuccal, The Past * Errol West, There is no one to teach me the songs that bring the Moon Bird * Kevin Gilbert, Tree and Kiacatoo * Eva Johnson, Weevilly Porridge * Jenny Hargraves Nampijinpa, Yuntalpa-Ku (Child, leave the tape
•	Film	 recorder) Baz Luhrmann, Strictly Ballroom or Peter Weir, The Truman Show
•	Multimedia	- Raymond Briggs, When the Wind Blows

Section II — Module B: Close Study of Text

20 marks Attempt ONE question from Questions 2–5 Allow about 40 minutes for this section

Answer the question in a SEPARATE writing booklet. Extra writing booklets are available.

In your answer you will be assessed on how well you:

- demonstrate understanding of a text's distinctive qualities and how these shape meaning
- organise, develop and express ideas using language appropriate to audience, purpose and form

Question 2 — Drama (20 marks)

- (a) Katherine Thomson, *Navigating*
 - The characters Dick and Pam Shaw make a major contribution to the drama of *Navigating*.

How does Katherine Thomson achieve this?

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(b) John Misto, *The Shoe-Horn Sonata*

After fifty years, the reunion of Bridie and Sheila reveals the unresolved problems of their relationship.

How are these problems dramatised and resolved in the play?

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(c) William Shakespeare, Macbeth

The murder of Duncan contributes to the destruction of Macbeth and Lady Macbeth.

How is the process of destruction dramatised in the play as a whole?

OR

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Marks

In your answer you will be assessed on how well you:

demonstrate understanding of a text's distinctive qualities and how these shape meaning organise, develop and express ideas using language appropriate to audience, purpose and form

Question 3 — Prose Fiction (20 marks)

(a) Robert Cormier, *We All Fall Down*

'Can't trust anybody these days. Anybody ...'

How does Cormier develop ideas about trust in We All Fall Down?

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(b) Jane Yolen, Briar Rose

Stan: ... "We'll get to happily ever after eventually."

How does Yolen help the reader to accept that 'happily ever after' is possible?

OR

Marks

20

Question 4 — Nonfiction, Film, Media or Multimedia (20 marks)

(a) **Film** — Peter Weir, *Witness*

You are presenting a segment on 2HSC Radio FM for the Schools' Program.

Interview Peter Weir about his use of John Book and Samuel Lapp in his representation of the different worlds in *Witness*.

Write a transcript of the interview, that should include reference to the use of relevant film techniques.

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(b) Nonfiction — Gordon Matthews, An Australian Son

You are presenting a segment on 2HSC Radio FM for the Schools' Program.

Interview Gordon Matthews about the techniques he used in *An Australian Son* to represent the problems he faced in his journey from childhood to maturity.

Write a transcript of the interview.

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(c) **Multimedia** — Australian War Memorial Website

You are presenting a segment on 2HSC Radio FM for the Schools' Program.

Interview the designer of the Australian War Memorial website about the ways the ideas, form and language in the section 'Unsung Heroes' contribute to the distinctive qualities of *1918 Australians in France: Contents* and *Feedback*.

Write a transcript of the interview.

The section of the site set for study is:

1918 Australians in France: Contents and Feedback

OR

Marks

In your answer you will be assessed on how well you:

- demonstrate understanding of a text's distinctive qualities and how these shape meaning
- organise, develop and express ideas using language appropriate to audience, purpose and form

Question 5 — Poetry (20 marks)

(a) Debbie Westbury, *Mouth to Mouth*

'he is still *the prince* his small acts of love remain unnoticed as he walks down the big hill with his children into Steel City.'

the prince

Using this quotation as your starting point, write a speech for a class presentation explaining how Debbie Westbury uses poetic techniques to transform the ordinary into something special.

In your answer, you should refer to *the prince* and at least ONE other of the prescribed poems.

The prescribed poems are:

- The Scribe's Daughter
- *the prince*
- shells
- TV News
- Somewhere Else
- Mouth to mouth
- Dapto Dressing Up

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Question 5 (continued)

(b) Wilfred Owen, *War Poems and Others*

'The shrill demented choirs of wailing shells; and bugles calling them from sad shires' *Anthem for Doomed Youth*

Using this quotation as your starting point, write a speech for a class presentation explaining how Wilfred Owen uses poetic techniques to convey the experience of war.

In your answer, you should refer to *Anthem for Doomed Youth* and at least ONE other of the prescribed poems.

The prescribed poems are:

- The Send-Off
- Anthem for Doomed Youth
- Dulce et Decorum Est
- Miners
- Spring Offensive
- Futility

Section III — Module C: Texts and Society

20 marks Attempt Question 6 Allow about 40 minutes for this section

Answer the question in a SEPARATE writing booklet. Extra writing booklets are available.

In this section you will be assessed on how well you:

- demonstrate analysis of the ways texts and meaning are shaped by context
- organise, develop and express ideas using language appropriate to audience, purpose, context and form

Question 6 — Elective 1: The Institution and Personal Experience (20 marks)

OR

— Elective 2: Exploration and Travel (20 marks)

OR

- Elective 3: Consumerism (20 marks)

An exciting and informative educational program called *'Something to Say'* will tour local high schools next year. This program features texts that comment on society. *There are three sections:*

1 : The Institution and Personal Experience

2 : Exploration and Travel

3 : Consumerism

Write a letter to the organisers of this program explaining what your texts have to say about society and why they should be included in ONE section of this program.

Make reference to your prescribed text and at least TWO other related texts of your own choosing.

Elective 1: The Institution and Personal Experience

The prescribed texts are:

- **Prose Fiction** Scott Monk, *Raw*
- Drama Tony Strachan, *State of Shock*
- Film Bill Couturie, *Dear America*

OR

Elective 2: Exploration and Travel

The prescribed texts are:

- **Prose Fiction** Douglas Adams, *The Hitch Hiker's Guide to the Galaxy*
- Media Les Hiddins, The Bush Tucker Man: Stories of Survival
 - * Gold Fever
 - * The Passionate Prussian
 - * The Great Misadventure
 - * Into the Vilest Country
- Nonfiction Robyn Davidson, *Tracks*

OR

Elective 3: Consumerism (20 marks)

The prescribed texts are:

•	Poetry	- Bruce Dawe, Sometimes Gladness
		* Enter Without So Much as Knocking
		* Americanized
		* Abandonment of Autos
		* Breakthrough
		* The Not-so-good Earth
		* Televistas
•	Multimedia	- Real Wild Child Consortium, Real Wild Child

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