



WESTON
FAVELL
ACADEMY

Year 7

End of year English exam

The exam:

5 Questions.

Questions 1-4 are in Section A (**Reading**) 40 marks

Question 5 is in Section B (**Writing**) 40 marks

(Total marks = 80)

Students will read a short extract from a story.

The extract is usually around 1 side of A4.

What skills are being tested?

Question 1 (Reading)

Students will be asked to select 4 facts from the text.

This question tests their ability to read and select information.

(4 marks)

Question 2 (Reading)



Students will be asked to focus on a short piece of the extract.

They will be asked to look at the writer's use of language.

The type of question a student will be asked is:

“How does the writer use language to create a spooky atmosphere?”

“How does the writer use language to show that the character really likes their new present”

“How does the writer use language to...”

(8 marks)

Question 3 (Reading):

This question asks students to look at structure.

Why are the events ordered in a certain way? – for example in a detective story, we need to know what the crime is before we know ‘who dunnit!’

The focus of the writer may change, and the question tests how well students can pick up on these changes.

(8 Marks)

Question 4 (Reading):



This question asks students to **evaluate** or to weigh-up how well a writer has written the story.

A sample question could be:

A student said, after reading this story, “I like the way the writer sets the scene, it is as if you are really there”. How far do you agree?

(The question will give hints on what to write about)

(20 marks)

Question 5 (Writing)

Most students enjoy this question!

Students have a choice.

Either they can describe a picture:

(Colours, sights, sounds, smells)



Question 5 (continued)

Or

They can write a story. They will be given an opening line.

“The most amazing day I ever had was...”

(They shouldn't do both tasks!)

