

Competence Level Strands for The Study of Written Language

These outline the different standards of performance that candidates achieve. Each successive level description assumes the continued demonstration of the qualities described in the lower levels.

Level	Reading, understanding and evaluating texts	Interpretation and evaluation of writer's/writers' techniques and their effects	Selecting material appropriate to purpose (collation and cross-referencing, if relevant)	Level
0	Award zero for work not worthy of credit.			0
CL1	Basic understanding of the text(s), demonstrated through basic comments about the text(s).	Basic comments on some of the main features of writer's techniques.	Some basic reporting of examples from within and/or across the text(s).	CL1
CL2	Straightforward understanding, demonstrated through straightforward comments about the text(s).	Straightforward comments on some of the main features of writer's techniques.	Use of some specific selected examples from within and/or across the text(s) to support straightforward opinions.	CL2
CL3	Competent understanding demonstrated through competent comments about the text(s).	Competent explanations of key elements of writer's techniques with some explanation of their intended effects.	Relevant selection of examples from within and/or across the text(s) used to support a competent response.	CL3
CL4	Good understanding demonstrated through purposeful comments on the text(s).	A sustained interpretation of key elements of writer's techniques with analysis of their intended effects.	Purposefully selected material from within and/or across the text(s) used to develop a coherent response.	CL4
CL5	Excellent understanding demonstrated through perceptive comments about the text(s).	Confident and perceptive interpretation of key elements of writer's techniques with evaluation of the impact on the reader.	Illustrative material effectively and skilfully selected to support and present a confident, sustained response.	CL5

Mark Grid for The Study of Written Language	
Strands Attained	Mark Awarded
000	0
100	1 / 2
110	3 / 4
111	5 / 6
112	7 / 8
221	9 / 10
222	11 / 12
223	13 / 14
332	15 / 16
333	17 / 18
334	19 / 20
443	21 / 22
444	23 / 24
445	25 / 26
554	27 / 28
555	29 / 30