

GCSE Personal Learning Checklist: English Language



Language Paper 1			
Question 2 – language analysis	☺	☹	☹
• Finding three relevant quotations			
• Identifying two language devices			
• Writing two SEED paragraphs			
• Using a range of technical vocabulary			
• Explaining the connotations of words			
Language devices for question 2	☺	☹	☹
• Simile			
• Metaphor			
• Personification			
• Imagery			
• Adjective			
• Noun			
• Verb			
• Adverb			
• pathetic fallacy			
• Alliteration			
• Sibilance			
• Oxymoron			
• Repetition			
• Symbolism			
• zoomorphism			
• anthropomorphism			
• hyperbole			
• pathos			
Question 3 – structure	☺	☹	☹
• Explaining what happens in the beginning, middle and end			
• Identifying a shift in topic, mood or focus			
• Using concise quotations to support your ideas			
• Picking out interesting structural features			
• Explaining the overall motif, theme or mood of the extract			
Structural devices for question 3	☺	☹	☹
• Beginning			
• Middle			
• end			
• simple			
• compound sentence			
• linear narrative			

• non-linear narrative			
• cyclical narrative			
• motif			
• climax			
• foreshadowing			
• first-person narrative			
• third-person narrative			
• omniscient narrator			
• flashback			
• flash-forward			

Question 4 – evaluate	😊	😐	😞
• Highlight four statements that support the statement			
• Identify interesting vocabulary, language and methods			
• Find patterns and reoccurring ideas			
• Turn highlighted quotations into SEED paragraphs			

Evaluative features for question 4	😊	😐	😞
Can you identify;			
• tone			
• mood			
• irony			
• satire			
• dialogue			
• setting			
• humour			
• fact			
• opinions			
• sarcasm			
• anecdotes			

Language paper 2

Question 2 – summary	😊	😐	😞
• Writing a statement about Source A and support ideas with a quotation			
• Joining ideas with a connective			
• Writing a statement about Source B and support ideas with a quotation			
• Infer ideas from the texts in detail			

Connectives for devices for question 2:	😊	😐	😞
Can you identify:			
• whereas			
• however			
• in comparison			
• contrastingly			
• alternatively			
• on the other hand			
• differs from			

Question 3 – language analysis	😊	😐	😞
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Language devices for question 3	😊	😐	😞
Can you identify:			
• simile			
• metaphor			
• personification			
• imagery			
• adjective			
• noun			
• verb			
• adverb			
• pathetic fallacy			
• alliteration			
• sibilance			
• oxymoron			
• repetition			
• symbolism			
• zoomorphism			
• anthropomorphism			
• hyperbole			
• pathos			
Question 4 – comparison	😊	😐	😞
• Comparing the overall purpose, form and audience			
• Writing a statement about Source A. Support ideas with a quotation			
• Using connectives to show differences/similarities			
• Writing a statement about Source B. Support ideas with a quotation			
• Identifying the methods used by the writers			
Language devices for question 4	😊	😐	😞
Can you identify:			
• purpose			
• audience			
• form			
• context			
• tone			
• mood			
• irony			
• satire			
• dialogue			
• setting			
• humour			
• facts			
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