

Revising for English Language & Literature

16th September 2026

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English Language Paper 1

Half of the GCSE

Fiction paper - 1 extract

1 hour 45 minutes

Section A: 1 hour

Q1 multiple choice (4)

Q2 Language question (8)

Q3 Structural question (8)

Q4 evaluation question (20)

Section B: 45 minutes - Creative writing piece

Taxi Story (40 = 24 + 16)



Language

LP1, Q1	4 multiple choice qs		[4]
LP1, Q2	Language	PRICE x1/2	[8]
LP1, Q3	Structure	B/M/E What/Why?	[8]
LP1, Q4	Evaluation	PRICE x3/4	[20]
LP1, Q5	Writing task- taxi story- narrative/description		[40]

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The writer uses language to describe the weather as _____ and _____.

The quote, '...' suggests....

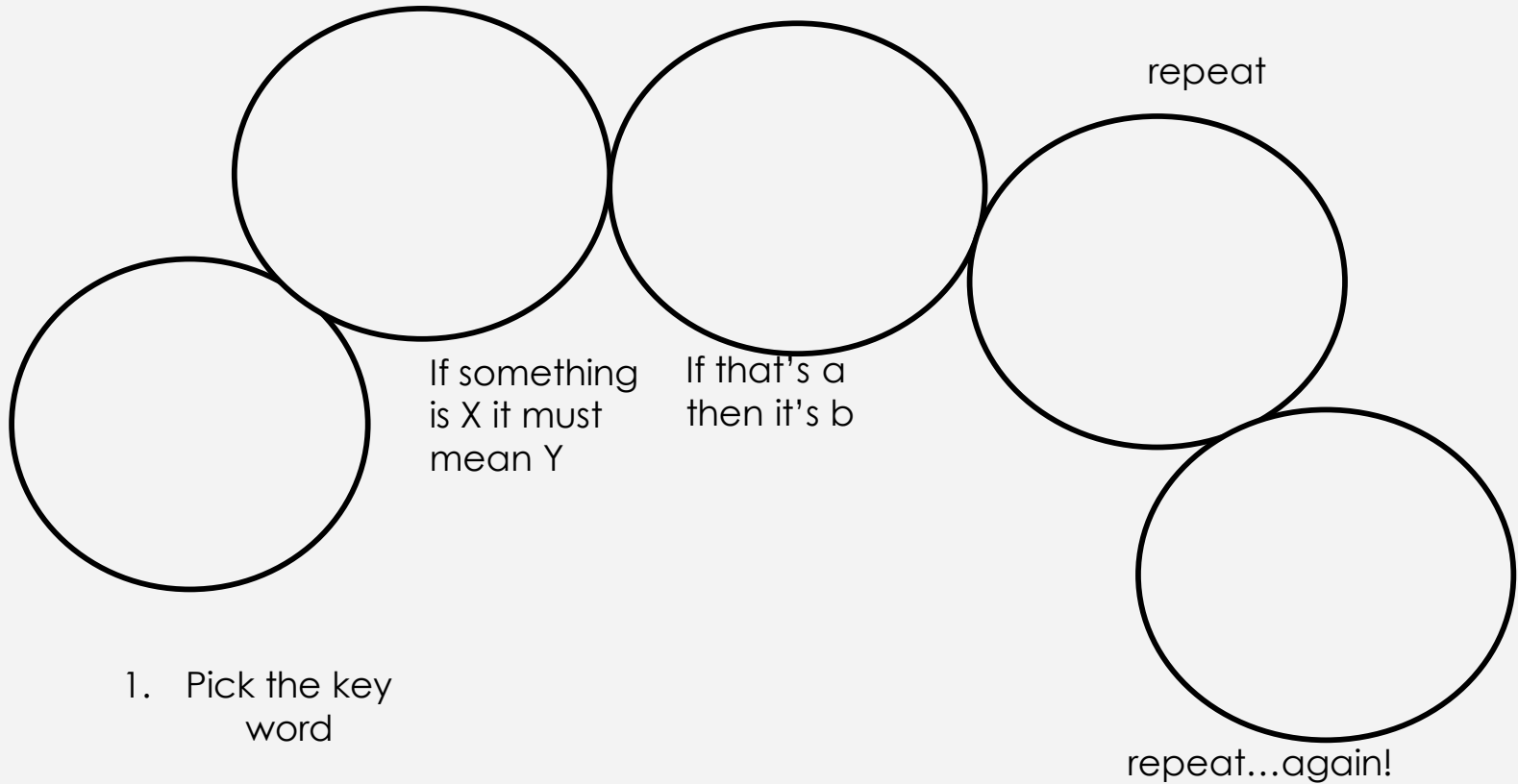
Additionally, this demonstrates

The verb/adjective/noun'...' connotes ideas of _____, _____, _____ which symbolises ...

This makes reader feel/ question/ understand/ imagine _____ because....



Loops



English Language Paper 2

The other half of the GCSE

Non-fiction paper - 2 extracts

1 hour 45 minutes

Section A: 1 hour

Q1 multiple choice (4)

Q2 Summary question (8)

Q3 Language question (12)

Q4 comparison of viewpoints question (16)

Section B: 45 minutes

Q5 Persuasive writing piece

Letter/Article/Speech/leaflet! (40= 24 + 16)



Critical verbs: adding sophistication to your analysis

Advocates	Celebrates	Challenges
Condemns	Criticises	Critiques
Deconstructs	Explores	Exposes
Interrogates	Promotes	Reflects
Reveals	Subverts	Teaches
Upholds	Warns	Weakens

Taxi Story Structure:

Waiting for the taxi:

- Start with a single word sentence.
- Use a countdown for some sense of time.
- Describe the rain (pathetic fallacy)
- Cars / headlights
- language devices.

Taxi Ride:

- Describe the inside of the taxi using touch and smell (sickly sweet smell? Minty fresh? Smoke? // Cracked leather? Smooth leather? Piping?)
- Describe the taxi driver (sight) - extended metaphor.
- **Something** takes you back.

Flash Back:

- Use the stimulus to create this section.
- Metaphors
- Similes

At your destination:

- Thanking the driver
- Describe the weather
- Describe either the setting or the person greeting you (contrast to either P1 or P2)
- End with a single word sentence/ cyclical line.

	Vocabulary	Devices/ RAPAFORST devices (Rhetorical Question; Anecdote; Pronoun; Alliteration; Fact; Opinion; Repetition; Emotive Language; Statistics; Triples)
Because		
Because		
But		
So		

Literature Paper 1		
P1: Macbeth	PRICEWC x3	[30]+[4]
P1: A Christmas Carol	PRICEWC x3	[30]

Shakespeare uses pathetic fallacy to describe the weather in Act 1, Scene 1 as _____ and _____.

The quote, '...' suggests....

Additionally, this demonstrates

The verb/adjective/noun '...' connotes ideas of _____, _____, _____ which symbolises ...

This makes audiences question /understand/ imagine/ feel _____ because....

Clearly, Shakespeare is trying to.... criticise/attack/ challenge

This is reflective of the Jacobean era...

It can be noticed that throughout the play...

Literature Paper 2		
P2: An Inspector Calls	PRICEWC x3	[30]+[4]
P2: Power & Conflict Poetry	PRICEWC x3	[30]
P2: Unseen Poetry	PRICEWC x 3 PRICEWC x 2	[32]

The poet uses pathetic fallacy to describe the weather in _____ as _____ and _____.

The quote, '...' suggests....

Additionally, this demonstrates

The verb/adjective/noun'...' connotes ideas of _____, _____, _____ which symbolises ...

This makes reader question /understand/ imagine/ feel _____ because....

Clearly, the poet is trying to.... criticise/attack/ challenge

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How to best revise:

- Practice papers
- Flashcards (exam prep as well as structures/ memorisation of creative writing piece and key quotations/ plot/ methods)
- Practising creative writing - vocabulary, language device creation and punctuation/ sentence crafting.
- Planning responses to exam questions

Social Media!!!!!! Please ensure your children are being careful with what they trust.

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Where can resources be found?

- Google Classrooms
 - Revision booklets
 - Past papers
 - Practice questions
- Revision Guides- CGP **check they are from 2026 onwards**
- Sparx Reader
 - Macbeth & A Christmas Carol



Any questions?

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