Paper 2 Mark scheme

Question	Indicative content
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1	Childhood
	Students may refer to the following in their answers:
	comparison of the ways writers explore the role of parenting as a cause of
	family tension
	• how writers link the family to their social context, e.g. the Gradgrind family is
	linked to the ills of the Industrial Revolution; McEwan places the Tallis family
	in relative isolation; the Farange family reflects the corrupt/decadent
	behaviour of Beale and Ida; Walker sets her family in the rural Deep South
	with its context of racism and patriarchy
	ways writers present opportunities for children to escape tensions in the
	family, e.g. Sleary's circus as a surrogate family for Sissy; Mr as an escape for Celie and Nettie
	 ways writers use narrative devices/structures to reveal tensions within the
	family and results of these tensions, e.g. McEwan's use of Briony's play and
	the introduction of class difference; how Walker uses sewing to symbolise
	female empowerment through creativity
	how writers present the tensions in relationship between generations
	comparison of the narrative points of view and voices adopted by writers and
	the effects of these in influencing the reader's response to the family.
2	Childhood
	Students may refer to the following in their answers:
	 comparison of how writers use the language of thoughts and feelings to
	convey character
	whether or not the writers present interior lives through first-person
	narrative, e.g. Louisa Gradgrind is presented through omniscient narrative;
	Celie's thoughts and feelings are presented through her own narrative
	• comparison of how writers use interior lives, e.g. Sissy's imaginative thoughts
	and compassionate feelings as a foil to Louisa; Briony (in part 1 of
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Level 2	5–8	 General understanding/exploration Makes general points, identifying some literary techniques with general explanation of effects. Aware of some appropriate concepts and terminology. Organises and expresses ideas with clarity, although still has errors and lapses. Gives surface readings of texts relating to how meanings are shaped in texts. Shows general understanding by commenting on straightforward elements of the writer's craft.
Level 3	9–12	Clear relevant application/exploration
		 Offers a clear response using relevant textual examples. Relevant use of terminology and concepts. Creates a logical, clear structure with few errors and lapses in expression. Demonstrates knowledge of how meanings are shaped in texts with consistent analysis. Shows clear understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 4	13–16	Discriminating controlled application/exploration
		 Constructs a controlled argument with fluently embedded examples. Discriminating use of concepts and terminology. Controls structures with precise cohesive transitions and carefully chosen language. Demonstrates discriminating understanding of how meanings are shaped in texts. Analyses, in a controlled way, the nuances and subtleties of the writer's craft.
Level 5	17–20	Critical and evaluative
		 Presents a critical evaluative argument with sustained textual examples. Evaluates the effects of literary features with sophisticated use of concepts and terminology. Uses sophisticated structure and expression. Exhibits a critical evaluation of the ways meanings are shaped in texts. Displays a sophisticated understanding of the writer's craft.

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Level 1	1-4	Descriptive	
		Shows limited awareness of contextual factors.	
		 Demonstrates limited awareness of connections between texts. Describes the texts as separate entities. 	
Level 2	5–8	General exploration	
		Has general awareness of the significance and influence of contextual	
		factors. Makes general links between texts and contexts.	
		Identifies general connections between texts. Makes general cross-	
		references between texts.	
Level 3	9–12	Clear relevant exploration	
		Demonstrates a clear exploration of the significance and influence of	
		 contextual factors. Develops relevant links between texts and contexts. Makes relevant connections between texts. Develops an integrated 	
		 Makes relevant connections between texts. Develops an integrated approach with clear examples. 	
Level 4	13–16	Discriminating exploration	
Level 4		 Provides a discriminating analysis of the significance and influence of 	
		contextual factors. Makes detailed links between texts and contexts.	
		Analyses connections between texts. Takes a controlled discriminating	
		approach to integration with detailed examples.	
Level 5	17–20	Critical and evaluative	
		Presents a sophisticated evaluation and appreciation of the significance	
		and influence of contextual factors. Makes sophisticated links between	
		texts and contexts.	
		Evaluates connections between texts. Exhibits a sophisticated	
		connective approach with sophisticated use of examples.	

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Question number	Indicative content
3	 Colonisation and its Aftermath Students may refer to the following in their answers: how writers use different narrative points of view, e.g. Marlow as a partly-detached narrator and critical commentator; how Forster uses an omniscient narrator to show the effects of colonisation on the British and the Indians; the inquisitive nature of Huck's narrative to explore the after-effects of slavery how writers show the damaging effects of colonisation consideration of whether writers show any good arising from colonisation comparison of how writers use language to show the alienation of people of different backgrounds from each other, e.g. Selvon's use of creolised English to separate the West Indian characters; Jim's language is contrasted with the swindling language of the duke and the dauphin how writers use relationships between people of different backgrounds to reflect the state of colonisation comparison of how writers use narrative structure to present the effects of colonisation, e.g. Marlow journeys from outer to inner station, with human relationships between European and African becoming more alienated and dysfunctional as he goes further into the jungle; Selvon eschews conventional
4	 plot in order to portray the daily lives of the West Indian immigrants. Colonisation and its Aftermath Students may refer to the following in their answers: whether writers focus on one place or use a number of them, e.g. Selvon focuses mainly on London's Notting Hill Gate and Bayswater, Twain on the Mississippi, Forster on Chandrapore; Conrad focuses on a range of places how writers use places to symbolise ideas, e.g. Conrad uses the Thames estuary to introduce the historical Roman colonisation of Britain; Conrad and Twain use rivers symbolically; Forster reflects the British character through the orderly neatness of the civil station; the inequality between Indians is shown through the varying conditions of Chandrapore how writers use point of view to present place, e.g. Forster's description of Chandrapore from above and then on ground level; Selvon presents London as a lonely city through Moses' point of view how writers show the effect of place on people, e.g. effect of London on Moses and his friends; effect of India on the English; effect of the Congo on Kurtz and Marlow whether writers present places in a state of change, e.g. the ancient unchanging Marabar caves; post-war London as a city in a state of flux; Conrad's contrast of the unchanging river and jungle with the deterioration of the company stations.

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Level 2	5–8	 General understanding/exploration Makes general points, identifying some literary techniques with general explanation of effects. Aware of some appropriate concepts and terminology. Organises and expresses ideas with clarity, although still has errors and lapses. Gives surface readings of texts relating to how meanings are shaped in texts. Shows general understanding by commenting on straightforward elements of the writer's craft.
Level 3	9–12	Clear relevant application/exploration
		 Offers a clear response using relevant textual examples. Relevant use of terminology and concepts. Creates a logical, clear structure with few errors and lapses in expression. Demonstrates knowledge of how meanings are shaped in texts with consistent analysis. Shows clear understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 4	13–16	Discriminating controlled application/exploration
		 Constructs a controlled argument with fluently embedded examples. Discriminating use of concepts and terminology. Controls structures with precise cohesive transitions and carefully chosen language. Demonstrates discriminating understanding of how meanings are shaped in texts. Analyses, in a controlled way, the nuances and subtleties of the writer's craft.
Level 5	17–20	Critical and evaluative
		 Presents a critical evaluative argument with sustained textual examples. Evaluates the effects of literary features with sophisticated use of concepts and terminology. Uses sophisticated structure and expression. Exhibits a critical evaluation of the ways meanings are shaped in texts. Displays a sophisticated understanding of the writer's craft.

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		 Demonstrates limited awareness of connections between texts.
		Describes the texts as separate entities.
Level 2	5–8	General exploration
		Has general awareness of the significance and influence of contextual
		factors. Makes general links between texts and contexts.
		Identifies general connections between texts. Makes general cross-
		references between texts.
Level 3	9–12	Clear relevant exploration
		Demonstrates a clear exploration of the significance and influence of
		contextual factors. Develops relevant links between texts and contexts.
		Makes relevant connections between texts. Develops an integrated
	10.1/	approach with clear examples.
Level 4	13–16	Discriminating exploration
		Provides a discriminating analysis of the significance and influence of
		contextual factors. Makes detailed links between texts and contexts.
		Analyses connections between texts. Takes a controlled discriminating approach to integration with detailed exemples
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Level 5	17-20	
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		and influence of contextual factors. Makes sophisticated links between texts and contexts.
		 Evaluates connections between texts. Exhibits a sophisticated
		connective approach with sophisticated use of examples.

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5	Crime and Detection
-	Students may refer to the following in their answers:
	 how writers use dialogue to convey ideas about social context, e.g. James
	presents the 'modern mating ritual' through the dialogue of Emma and Clara;
	Braddon's dialogue often shows the relationship between the social classes, e.g.
	Lady Audley and her servant, Phoebe; Capote uses the speeches of Holcomb
	people to convey the context of small-town rural Kansas
	 how writers use speech styles and language in dialogue to present and
	distinguish characters, e.g. different speech styles and language of Neville
	Dupayne and James Calder-Hale; Lady Audley and Alicia Audley; Seegrave and
	Cuff; Dick and Perry
	• comparison of how writers use dialogue to present relationships, e.g. Braddon
	for Robert Audley and George Talboys, and Capote for Perry and Dick
	• how writers present the process of investigation through dialogue, e.g. Robert
	Audley's interviews with witnesses, Seegrave and Cuff, Dalgleish, Dewey
	 how writers use dialogue to present and develop themes
	• extent to which writers use dialogue to carry the plot, e.g. the interview
	between Franklin Blake and Rachel Verinder establishes that she saw Franklin
	take the Moonstone; the confessions of Lady Audley and Luke Marks piece
	together the attempted murder of Talboys and his escape.
6	Crime and Detection
	Students may refer to the following in their answers:
	 extent to which writers give their criminals a motive
	 comparison of writers' use of narrative structure
	 how writers create sympathy or discourage sympathy for their criminals, e.g.
	Braddon presents the story of Lucy Graham/Lady Audley in such a way as to
	make us sympathise perhaps with her initial plight but not with the lengths she
	is prepared to go to sustain her upward mobility; Capote alternates between
	Hickock and Smith's preparation for their crime and the daily lives of the Clutter
	family in order to contrast the violent criminality of the murderers with the
	innocence of the victims
	• whether writers link motive to social context, e.g. the backgrounds of Hickock,
	Smith and the Clutter family are placed within the context of the American
	Dream; Collins places the theft of the Moonstone in the context of British
	imperialism and greed in India; Braddon places Lucy Graham's crime in the
	context of gender and class in Victorian society
	 comparison of how motive (or lack of it) is linked to character, e.g. Capote's
	Hickock and Smith are violent men but both James and Braddon present
	characters who would not normally be regarded as criminal
	how writers explore reasons for transgressing social laws through the portrayal
	of motive, e.g. greed and malice in The Moonstone; desire to attain and sustain higher social/economic status and need to sustain in Lady Audley's Secret.

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Level 2	5–8	 General understanding/exploration Makes general points, identifying some literary techniques with general explanation of effects. Aware of some appropriate concepts and terminology. Organises and expresses ideas with clarity, although still has errors and lapses. Gives surface readings of texts relating to how meanings are shaped in texts. Shows general understanding by commenting on straightforward elements of the writer's craft.
Level 3	9–12	Clear relevant application/exploration
		 Offers a clear response using relevant textual examples. Relevant use of terminology and concepts. Creates a logical, clear structure with few errors and lapses in expression. Demonstrates knowledge of how meanings are shaped in texts with consistent analysis. Shows clear understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 4	13–16	Discriminating controlled application/exploration
		 Constructs a controlled argument with fluently embedded examples. Discriminating use of concepts and terminology. Controls structures with precise cohesive transitions and carefully chosen language. Demonstrates discriminating understanding of how meanings are shaped in texts. Analyses, in a controlled way, the nuances and subtleties of the writer's craft.
Level 5	17–20	Critical and evaluative
		 Presents a critical evaluative argument with sustained textual examples. Evaluates the effects of literary features with sophisticated use of concepts and terminology. Uses sophisticated structure and expression. Exhibits a critical evaluation of the ways meanings are shaped in texts. Displays a sophisticated understanding of the writer's craft.

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Level 3	9–12	Clear relevant exploration
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		contextual factors. Develops relevant links between texts and contexts.
		Makes relevant connections between texts. Develops an integrated
		approach with clear examples.
Level 4	13–16	Discriminating exploration
		Provides a discriminating analysis of the significance and influence of
		contextual factors. Makes detailed links between texts and contexts.
		Analyses connections between texts. Takes a controlled discriminating
		approach to integration with detailed examples.
Level 5	17–20	Critical and evaluative
		Presents a sophisticated evaluation and appreciation of the significance
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7	 Science and Society Students may refer to the following in their answers: comparison of point of view, e.g. Wells restricts himself largely to a factual account of experiences while Atwood's novel is told through the memories, thoughts and feelings of Offred role of reliable and unreliable narrators use of additional sources of narrative, e.g. the 'Historical Notes' in Atwood's novel; the ways Wells uses reports from newspapers and other characters in addition to his first-person narrator stylistic comparisons in the use of narrators, e.g. between the narrator in <i>The War of the Worlds</i> and Kathy in <i>Never Let Me Go</i>, considering how each author sets the tone for the narration, how the reader is addressed, the use of the details of everyday life narrative structures, e.g. use of letters in <i>Frankenstein</i>, Atwood's use of 'Night' sections in her novel; endings of texts how writers use narrators to conceal and reveal information, e.g. the ways Ishiguro's narrator takes for granted or implies significant features about herself, her fellow students and the society in which they live contextual factors, e.g. American society prior to the establishment of Gilead, the role of women; Shelley's reflection of contemporary anxieties about 			
8	 scientific experimentation. Science and Society Students may refer to the following in their answers: comparison of the ways the gender of the narrators are reflected in the ways their stories are told ways in which characters are portrayed in relation to issues of gender, e.g. expected roles of women and men in <i>Frankenstein</i>, the denial of rights to women in <i>The Handmaid's Tale</i> and the use of women in subservient roles as Econowives, the exalted status given to men in roles such as commanders, doctors contextual factors, e.g. roles of women in the early nineteenth century as reflected in <i>Frankenstein</i>; feminism and reactions against it in North American society in the 1980s in <i>The Handmaid's Tale</i> extent to which science is treated as 'gendered', e.g. Frankenstein's obsession with his experiments; the narrator's astronomical observations in <i>The War of the Worlds</i>, the narrator's role as protector of the women he meets in <i>The War of the Worlds</i> presentation of women as carers, e.g. Ishiguro shows Kathy taking on a protective role for Tommy even before they leave Hailsham in <i>Never Let Me Go</i> contextual factors relating to the ways in which the misuse of science influences the modern reader's perception of certain ideas, e.g. the writer's intention to cause reflection on the nature of being human. 			

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Level 3	9–12	Clear relevant application/exploration
		 Offers a clear response using relevant textual examples. Relevant use of terminology and concepts. Creates a logical, clear structure with few errors and lapses in expression. Demonstrates knowledge of how meanings are shaped in texts with consistent analysis. Shows clear understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 4	13–16	Discriminating controlled application/exploration
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Level 5	17–20	Critical and evaluative
		 Presents a critical evaluative argument with sustained textual examples. Evaluates the effects of literary features with sophisticated use of concepts and terminology. Uses sophisticated structure and expression. Exhibits a critical evaluation of the ways meanings are shaped in texts. Displays a sophisticated understanding of the writer's craft.

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		Describes the texts as separate entities.	
Level 2	5–8	General exploration	
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		factors. Makes general links between texts and contexts.	
		Identifies general connections between texts. Makes general cross-	
		references between texts.	
Level 3	9–12	Clear relevant exploration	
		Demonstrates a clear exploration of the significance and influence of	
		contextual factors. Develops relevant links between texts and contexts.	
		Makes relevant connections between texts. Develops an integrated	
	10 1/	approach with clear examples.	
Level 4	13–16	Discriminating exploration	
		 Provides a discriminating analysis of the significance and influence of approximation and approximation in the second approximation. 	
		contextual factors. Makes detailed links between texts and contexts.	
		 Analyses connections between texts. Takes a controlled discriminating approach to integration with detailed examples. 	
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Level 5	17-20		
		 Presents a sophisticated evaluation and appreciation of the significance and influence of contextual factors. Makes sophisticated links between 	
		texts and contexts.	
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Question	Indicative content
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11	 Women and Society Students may refer to the following in their answers: effects of different narrative voices in offering different perspectives and the extent to which the reader can rely on different voices, e.g. Clarissa, Rezia and others in <i>Mrs Dalloway</i>; the voices of Lockwood, Nelly and others in <i>Wuthering Heights</i> consideration of what the reader learns about the text and characters through the use of different narrators, e.g. what the reader learns about Nelly Dean and Lockwood through their narrations in <i>Wuthering Heights</i> effects of predominantly third-person narratives, e.g. A <i>Thousand Splendid Suns</i> and the narrator's comments in the final paragraph in Tess of The <i>D'Urbervilles</i> comparison of the prominence of different voices in the texts and the extent to which characters are able or unable to express their voices ways in which the authors use voices to convey significant details of the social background to the novels, e.g. Afghan society in A <i>Thousand Splendid Suns</i>; the worlds of Wuthering Heights and Thrushcross Grange; the social circles in which Clarissa and Lucrezia Smith move; the pressures put on Tess by her family how writers state or imply views on social attitudes, e.g. those of Angel Clare and his family in <i>Tess of The D'Urbervilles</i> or the Taliban in A <i>Thousand Splendid Suns</i>;
12	 Women and Society Students may refer to the following in their answers: comparison of the attitudes of male characters towards female characters, e.g. Heathcliff's attitude to Catherine in comparison with Rasheed's attitude to Mariam and Laila writers' use of narrative styles to present relationships with men, e.g. Nelly's attitudes towards the older and younger Catherines and their relationships with men; the way Clarissa's relationships are described both by her and by men in Mrs Dalloway how male characters are used to reinforce or contrast attitudes to women, e.g. Alec and Angel in Tess of the D'Urbervilles, Hareton and Joseph in Wuthering Heights, Rasheed and Jalil in A Thousand Splendid Suns effects men's attitudes and behaviour have on women in the texts how female characters reflect or reinforce the attitudes held by male characters, e.g. Tess's mother in Tess of the D'Urbervilles contextual aspects, e.g. Angel Clare's reaction to Tess's revelation on their wedding night reflects the different standards applied to men and women; the treatment of married women in Wuthering Heights; freedom for men and women to form relations in Afghan society in A Thousand Splendid Suns.

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Level	Mark	Descriptor (AO1, AO2)
	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1–4	 Descriptive Makes little reference to texts with limited organisation of ideas. Limited use of appropriate concepts and terminology with frequent errors and lapses of expression. Uses a narrative or descriptive approach that shows limited knowledge of texts and how meanings are shaped in texts. Shows a lack of understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 2	5–8	 General understanding/exploration Makes general points, identifying some literary techniques with general explanation of effects. Aware of some appropriate concepts and terminology. Organises and expresses ideas with clarity, although still has errors and lapses. Gives surface readings of texts relating to how meanings are shaped in texts. Shows general understanding by commenting on straightforward elements of the writer's craft.
Level 3	9–12	Clear relevant application/exploration
		 Offers a clear response using relevant textual examples. Relevant use of terminology and concepts. Creates a logical, clear structure with few errors and lapses in expression. Demonstrates knowledge of how meanings are shaped in texts with consistent analysis. Shows clear understanding of the writer's craft.
Level 4	13–16	Discriminating controlled application/exploration
		 Constructs a controlled argument with fluently embedded examples. Discriminating use of concepts and terminology. Controls structures with precise cohesive transitions and carefully chosen language. Demonstrates discriminating understanding of how meanings are shaped in texts. Analyses, in a controlled way, the nuances and subtleties of the writer's craft.
Level 5	17–20	Critical and evaluative
		 Presents a critical evaluative argument with sustained textual examples. Evaluates the effects of literary features with sophisticated use of concepts and terminology. Uses sophisticated structure and expression. Exhibits a critical evaluation of the ways meanings are shaped in texts. Displays a sophisticated understanding of the writer's craft.

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		AO3 = bullet point 1	AO4 = bullet point 2
Level	Mark	Descriptor (AO3, AO4)	
	0	No rewardable material.	
Level 1	1–4	Descriptive	
		Shows limited awareness of contextual factors.	
		 Demonstrates limited awareness of connections between texts. Describes the texts as separate entities. 	
Level 2	5–8	General exploration	
		Has general awareness of the significance and influence of contextual	
		factors. Makes general links between texts and contexts.	
		Identifies general connections between texts. Makes general cross-	
		references between texts.	
Level 3	9–12	Clear relevant exploration	
		Demonstrates a clear exploration of the significance and influence of	
		contextual factors. Develops relevant links between texts and contexts.	
		 Makes relevant connections between texts. Develops an integrated approach with clear examples. 	
Level 4	13–16	Discriminating exploration	
Level 4	13-10	 Provides a discriminating analysis of the significance and influence of 	
		contextual factors. Makes detailed links between texts and contexts.	
		Analyses connections between texts. Takes a controlled discriminating	
		approach to integration with detai	5
Level 5	17–20	Critical and evaluative	
		Presents a sophisticated evaluation and appreciation of the significance	
		and influence of contextual factors. Makes sophisticated links between	
		texts and contexts.	
		Evaluates connections between texts. Exhibits a sophisticated	
		connective approach with sophisti	cated use of examples.