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0486 LITERATURE (ENGLISH)

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Paper 4 (unseen), maximum raw mark 25

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Assessment Objectives:

- AO1 show detailed knowledge of the content of literary texts
- **AO2** understand the meanings of literary texts and their context, and explore texts beyond surface meaning to show deeper awareness of ideas and attitudes
- **AO3** recognise and appreciate ways in which writers use language, structure, and form to create and shape meanings and effects
- **AO4** communicate a sensitive and informed personal response

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BAND DESCRIPTORS TABLE

Band 1	25 24	• Answers in this band have all the qualities of Band 2 work, with further insight, sensitivity, individuality and flair. They show sustained engagement with both text and task.
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Band 2	22	Sustains a perceptive, convincing and relevant personal response
	21	 shows a clear critical understanding of the text responds sensitively and in detail to the way the writer
	20	 achieves her/his effects integrates much well-selected reference to the text
		Makes a well-developed, detailed and relevant personal
	19	response
	18	 shows a clear understanding of the text and some of its deeper implications
		makes a developed response to the way the writer achieves
	17	her/his effects
Danal 4		supports with careful and relevant reference to the text
Band 4	16	 Makes a reasonably developed relevant personal response shows understanding of the text and some of its deeper
	15	implications
	15	makes some response to the way the writer uses language
	14	 shows some thoroughness in the use of supporting evidence from the text
Band 5	13	Begins to develop a relevant personal response
	13	 shows some understanding of meaning
	11	makes a little reference to the language of the text
		uses some supporting textual detail
Band 6	10	Attempts to communicate a basic personal response to the task
	•	makes some relevant comments
	9	shows a basic understanding of surface meaning of the text
	8	makes a little supporting reference to the text
Band 7	7	Some evidence of simple personal response
		makes a few straightforward comments
	6	 shows a few signs of understanding the surface meaning of the text
	5	 makes a little reference to the text
Band 8	4	Limited attempt to respond
	3	 shows some limited understanding of simple/literal meaning
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Below Band 8	0 / 0—1	No answer / Insufficient to meet the criteria for Band 8.