



Trial Examination 2017

# VCE English (EAL) Units 3&4

Written Examination

## Question and Answer Booklet

Reading time: 15 minutes

Writing time: 2 hours 30 minutes

<i>Section</i>	<i>Number of questions</i>	<i>Number of questions to be answered</i>	<i>Marks</i>
B – Analytical interpretation of a text	28	1	40
C – Argument and persuasive language	2	2	40
			Total 80

Students are to write in blue or black pen.

Students are permitted to bring into the examination room: pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners, rulers and an English and/or bilingual printed dictionary.

Students are NOT permitted to bring into the examination room: blank sheets of paper and/or correction fluid/tape.

No calculator is allowed in this examination.

This exam does NOT include Section A – Listening to texts. For an example of Section A, please visit: <http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au>.

### Materials supplied

Question and answer booklet of 18 pages, including **assessment criteria** on page 18.

Task booklet of 10 pages.

### Instructions

Write your student number and name on the front cover of this booklet.

All written responses must be in English.

### At the end of the examination

You may keep the task booklet.

**Students are NOT permitted to bring mobile phones and/or any other unauthorised electronic devices into the examination room.**

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**SECTION B – ANALYTICAL INTERPRETATION OF A TEXT****Instructions for Section B**

Section B requires students to write an analytical interpretation of a selected text in response to **one** topic (either **i.** or **ii.**) on **one** text. The topics can be found on pages 3–8 of the task booklet.

Your response should be supported by close reference to the selected text.

If your selected text is a collection of poetry or short stories, you may write on several poems or stories, or on **at least two** in close detail.

Indicate which text you have chosen to write on and whether you have chosen to answer **i.** or **ii.** by shading the appropriate boxes.

Your response will be assessed according to the assessment criteria set out on page 18 of this booklet.

Section B is worth 40 per cent of the total marks for the examination

Shade the box next to your selected text.

- All About Eve* ..... directed by Joseph L Mankiewicz
- Behind the Beautiful Forevers: Life, Death, and Hope in a Mumbai Undercity* ..... Katherine Boo
- Black Diggers* ..... Tom Wright
- Bombshells* ..... Joanna Murray-Smith
- Burial Rites* ..... Hannah Kent
- Cloudstreet* ..... Tim Winton
- Frankenstein* ..... Mary Shelley
- I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban* ..... Malala Yousafzai with Christina Lamb
- I for Isobel* ..... Amy Witting
- Invictus* ..... directed by Clint Eastwood
- Island: Collected Stories* ..... Alistair MacLeod
- Joyful Strains: Making Australia Home* ..... Kent MacCarther and Ali Lemer (eds)
- Mabo* ..... directed by Rachel Perkins
- Measure for Measure* ..... William Shakespeare
- Medea* ..... Euripides
- No Sugar* ..... Jack Davis
- Old/New World: New & Selected Poems* ..... Peter Skrzynecki
- Selected Poems* ..... John Donne
- Stasiland* ..... Anna Funder
- The Complete Maus* ..... Art Spiegelman
- The Crucible* ..... Arthur Miller
- The Golden Age* ..... Joan London
- The Left Hand of Darkness* ..... Ursula Le Guin
- The Lieutenant* ..... Kate Grenville
- The Thing Around Your Neck* ..... Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
- The White Tiger* ..... Aravind Adiga
- This Boy's Life* ..... Tobias Wolff
- Tracks* ..... Robyn Davidson











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## **SECTION C – ARGUMENT AND PERSUASIVE LANGUAGE**

### **Instructions for Section C**

Section C consists of **two** questions.

Read the background information on page 8 and the material on pages 9 and 10 of the task booklet, and then complete **both** Questions 1 and 2.

For the purposes of this task, the term ‘language’ refers to written, spoken and visual language.

Your response to Question 2 will be assessed according to the criteria set out on page 18 of this book.

Section C is worth 40 per cent of the total marks for the examination.

Questions 1 and 2 are equally weighted.

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**Question 1** (10 marks)

- a.** The speaker expresses pride in the university's values. List **two** examples of these values. 2 marks

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- b.** How does the speaker seek to welcome students from different backgrounds to Cara College? 2 marks

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- c.** Give **two** examples of the university's values and goals. 2 marks

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- d.** How does the speaker define free speech? 2 marks

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- e.** What does the speaker expect from members of the audience? 2 marks

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**Question 2** (10 marks)

Consider the speech made by the speaker and the visual devices, and assess the ways in which these are used to persuade prospective students to share these points of view.

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**Assessment criteria**

Section B will be assessed against the following criteria:

- knowledge and understanding of the text, and the ideas and issues it explores, demonstrated appropriately in response to the topic
- development of a coherent analysis in response to the topic
- control of expressive and effective language, as appropriate to the task

Question 2 of Section C will be assessed against the following criteria:

- analysis of the use of argument and language to try to persuade
- control of the mechanics of the English language to convey meaning

**END OF QUESTION AND ANSWER BOOKLET**