



## Year 11 English Standard

### Task 4: Yearly Exam

**Due Date:** Yearly Exam Period  
Friday 12th September, 2025 (Week 8)

**Task Distributed:** Friday 29th August, 2025  
**Unit:** ALL- Common Module, Module A, Module B

**Weighting:** 40%  
**Task Type:** Examination

**Outcomes:** EN11-1, EN11-3, EN11-5, EN11-8

#### Task Description

There is ONE PAPER in your English Standard Yearly Examination.  
It will comprise of THREE sections.

**Students will have 2 hours and 10 min reading time to complete this examination.**

##### Section 1: 20 marks

##### ***Reading to Write***

This section will ask students to:

1. Read a variety of unseen texts (eg: cartoons, poems, articles, short stories, etc.) and answer a series of short answer questions based on these texts. Some of these questions will be common between the Advanced and Standard examination.

**Students should read the questions carefully, as they require textual analysis and clear references made to the texts.**

##### Section 2: 20 marks

##### ***Module A: Contemporary Possibilities***

In this section, students will need to compose an extended response which answers a particular question on this module. In developing their response, students will need to consider the purpose and features of multimodality and how multimodal features are used in texts to convey various ideas.

**In this response, students will be required to refer to their prescribed text *Searching*, by Anaash Chaganty.**

*\*Note: those students who have moved from Advanced in Term 3 will have a modified exam and be required to write about Othello by William Shakespeare in this section.*

##### Section 3: 20 marks:

##### ***Module B: Close Study of Literature***

In this section, students will need to compose an extended response that answers a particular question on this module. In developing their response, they should **consider the distinctive qualities of a substantial literary text and how these language features convey specific ideas.**

**In this response, students will be required to refer to their prescribed text: *Klara and the Sun* by Kazuo Ishiguro.**

# NESA Glossary of Key Words

Understand the verb associated with the task. The verb will provide an understanding of the detail needed to successfully answer the question.

- DISCUSS: Identify issues and provide points for and/or against
- EXPLAIN: Relate cause and effect; make the relationships between things evident; provide why and/or how
- EVALUATE: Make a judgement based on criteria; determine the value of.
- ANALYSE: Identify components and the relationship between them; draw out and relate implications.

Check the NESA Glossary of Key Words for further guidance <https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/hsc-student-guide/glossary-keywords>

## Details of Submission

This task will be completed under exam conditions during the Year 11 Examination Period in Week 8. Please consult your examination timetable to confirm the date of the exam.

Students must bring their own required equipment for the examination, which is a blue or black pen. The examination and writing paper will be provided. Students are NOT to bring study notes into the examination room.

## Teacher Feedback and Student Self-Reflection

- The task will be returned to students at the beginning of Term 4.
- At this time feedback including information on how to improve will be provided through an explicit marking criteria for each section of the exam, as well as marker comments.
- Students can clarify or seek further feedback by speaking with their teacher or the assessment marker.
- At the end of the examination period and upon return to class, students will also be expected to complete a self-reflection on their exam performance. Self-reflection is an important part of the learning process as it provides an opportunity to reflect on the strength of your performance, as well as areas that have been identified as requiring strengthening for the future. This is an imperative task as we prepare for Year 12.

## How does this link to my learning?

This task relates to the following Yearly Reporting Outcomes:

**Section 1:** 3. *Understands the forms and features of language, and the structures of different texts, in shaping meaning, through analytical responses*

**Section 2:** 4. *Analyses how composers manipulate a variety of multimodal features in ONE digital text to convey specific ideas, through a well structured extended response.*

**Section 3:** 5. *Develops a sustained, well structured analytical response that communicates values, cultural assumptions and ideas within the substantial prescribed text.*

This task has also been modelled off the structure of the HSC English examination. Completion of this task will give students valuable practice of completing a HSC style examination and provide valuable feedback on their skills and knowledge as they commence their HSC next term.

## Assessment Procedures

All students should be fully aware of the School Assessment Procedures. Students who are absent from the examination, or have a legitimate reason for missing the task, must notify the school before the exam commences. To avoid a zero mark being awarded, any absence must be supported by valid misadventure/illness documentation as outlined in the Year 11 Assessment Guide. Students should access this guide for more information.