

AQA Qualifications

A-LEVEL ENGLISH LANGUAGE B

ENGB1 / Unit 1: Categorising Texts Mark scheme

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ENGB1 Principles of Marking

Read and follow the instructions below during the marking period:

- read your examiner standardisation and marking information closely before the exam it is in your library on the AQA extranet
- on the day of the exam, read and digest the exam paper and mark scheme
- always mark POSITIVELY we are looking for what students know and can do not searching for error
- be careful and objective when assessing scripts your marking will be seen by Team
- Leaders, Principal Examiner, Chief Examiner, teachers, students and parents.

Mark CONFIDENTIALLY:

- · do not mark in public and do not discuss marking with anyone other than senior examiners or AQA staff
- we need to maintain public confidence in what we are doing so to be professional and rigorous is vitally important.

Mark CLEARLY:

- annotate each answer using all the guidance given on the Model Marked Script (MMS) and the standardisation scripts
- use words/abbreviations rather than just assessment objectives (AOs) in your marginal annotations so we can see precisely why a student has earned credit – see MMS
- on the last page write a processed comment for each AO after flicking back to review your ticks and marginal annotations. Put a mark for each AO in the right hand margin and circle the total for each question see MMS
- your summative comments must be processed for that particular script; do not just copy phrases from the mark scheme but identify particular features of positive achievement for that response – see standardising scripts/MMS
- don't be rude or sarcastic remember your potential audiences!

Mark CONSISTENTLY:

- read the standardising scripts regularly to ensure you are adhering to the same standard throughout the marking period
- refer to the standardising scripts in your comments for example 'stronger than S2 on context' 'slightly less insightful than S5 when linking AO1 to AO3'
- the last script you mark must be given as much attention as the first.

Now some more specific guidance for this particular paper:

Task 1

Assessment objectives

AO1 – use of language methods/clear communication – 16 marks

AO2 – range and discussion of grouping choices – 16 marks

AO3 - contextual awareness - 16 marks

- be open-minded to the range of approaches taken by students
- schools and colleges are guided by the specification to start by thinking about audience, purpose, genre and language features as potential
 areas for grouping all are acceptable
- 'range' of groupings is more about variety than quantity
- Quality of discussion will dictate where on the assessment grid you place an answer NOT the number of groupings discussed
- Further guidance will be given in the commentaries for the standardising scripts and from Team Leader.

Tasks 2, 3 and 4 Gender, Power and Technology

Assessment Objectives

AO2 – concepts and issues related to the topic – 16 marks

AO3i – contextual awareness – 16 marks

AO3ii – use of language methods – 16 marks

- the different weightings for the AOs are important
- both AOs evaluate students' ability to use knowledge of linguistic approaches in their exploration of the data
- think of AO2 in terms of the learned ideas, theories and concepts that students are using to interpret the data
- think of AO3 in terms of the more specific linguistic methods that are identified and explored in relation to contextual factors
- as with Task 1, accept different approaches some students use the data as a springboard from which to explore learned knowledge; others will
 complete a more systematic analysis of language features integrating theoretical ideas as they go
- students should choose one question from the three available on the rare occasion that more than one is attempted mark all and reward the strongest
- further guidance will be given in the commentaries for the standardising scripts and from your Team Leader.

Section A – Text Varieties

	Skills descriptors	Further details	Content descriptors
AO1	Select and apply a range of linguistic methods, to communicate relevant knowledge using appropriate terminology and coherent, accurate written expression	Tests candidates' ability to identify language features and communicate clearly and accurately	The following list of features is not exhaustive and there is no hierarchy of features.
15-16	Systematic and evaluative exploration of data using linguistic methods. Accurate and perceptive linguistic knowledge. Appropriate, controlled and accurate expression. Uses linguistic methods in a systematic way. Appropriate and accurate linguistic knowledge. Controlled and accurate expression.	 selects most relevant language methods to explore texts evaluates systematically identifies features precisely and consistently communicates ideas fluently chooses appropriate language methods to discuss texts analyses systematically identifies features accurately communicates ideas clearly 	A Transcript Great North Run fluency of presenter pauses few non-fluency features present tense personal bias/interest positive lexical choices non-specialist lexis linked to running conversational register declaratives discourse markers B Jokes conversational discourse structure in 1 conventions of jokes reported speech narrative voice in 2 first and third person humour based on ambiguity humour based on irony present tense C Back cover detective novel textual design – image and blurb with merchandise details below typography variation white on black and use of yellow/red for cohesion/effect intertextuality – use of rules of play

7-10	Applies and explores some linguistic methods. Some appropriate linguistic knowledge, moves beyond surface. Generally accurate written communication.	•	chooses some appropriate language methods mixes analysis and description identifies some features accurately writes clearly with some lapses	imperatives within rules modal verbs/conditional in warning declaratives in praise/review bites direct address to involve reader summary of narrative in rules positive lexical choices lexical field of crime fiction Marriage ceremony formality performative/legal function scripted/prepared form
3-6	Some linguistic methods applied, but not convincing. Limited linguistic knowledge/understanding. Some clarity and accuracy in communication.	•	shows some evidence of language study describes with limited discussion labels features vaguely/with limited accuracy shows limited clarity	complex syntax first, second person pronoun use modals formal lexical choices lexical fields – legal/religious E Bin Eater card text design/logo first person plural declarative mood personification of lorry use of intensifier in apology modality humour
1-2	Linguistic methods applied inaccurately or not at all. Rudimentary linguistic knowledge. Lapses in written communication.	•	shows very limited evidence of language study describes inaccurately lacks clarity	F Transcript Halo 3 Iow formality Q/A discourse at start discourse largely focused on action on screen prosodic features — laughter/volume/elongated sounds lexical choices from gaming first person declarative utterances imperatives elision unusual verb choices deixis

Nothing written/Unintelligible.	G Gosh Paper Bag textual design represented thoughts represented emotions first person elliptical dots humorous names colloquial lexical choices capitalisation punctuation punctuation juxtaposition of characters' thoughts shared cultural understanding re. comic book audiences - source of humour retro styling contact details/address of bookshop
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Marks	Skills descriptors	Further details	Content descriptors
AO2	Demonstrate critical understanding of a range of concepts and issues related to the construction and analysis of meanings in spoken and written language, using knowledge of linguistic approaches.	Tests candidates' ability to use a range of ideas for making links between the data on the paper Be open minded to the range of approaches taken by candidates Quality of discussion will dictate where on the assessment grid you place an answer, NOT the number of groups discussed	Centres are guided by the specification to start thinking about the ideas listed below as a starting point for grouping texts – all are acceptable This is NOT a prescriptive list merely possibilities Be open-minded to a wider range of possibilities Suggestions below are NOT exhaustive, merely a guide
15-16	Conceptualised, tentative discussion of reasons for grouping texts. Explores complexities of grouping choices.	 chooses data-led links between texts makes discerning selection of texts explores reasons for groupings in detail explores the complexities of task by differentiating within groups 	Purpose persuade entertain inform instruct interactional multi-purpose etc. Audience customers young public adults etc.
11-14	Developed discussion of reasons for grouping. Understanding of complexities shown	 chooses logical groups given the data makes productive selection of texts discusses reasons for groupings in detail considers complexities of task by differentiating within groups 	
7-10	Mix of descriptive and analytical discussion. Some awareness of complex nature of grouping task.	 chooses sensible group ideas makes appropriate selection of texts discusses groups in straightforward way may point out some obvious differences 	Genretranscriptflyeradvertetc.

3-6	Often descriptive reasons given for choices. Limited understanding of the task shown.	 uses inflexible group ideas makes unreflective selection of texts describes or paraphrases texts shows limited awareness of nature of task in that links made are routine and basic 	Formality
1-2	Elementary understanding of categorising language. Possibly lists texts under group headings.	 shows limited understanding of the task's requirement makes unhelpful selection of texts misunderstands texts lists groups with limited discussion 	 rehearsed/planned highly planned spontaneous multi-modal etc. Representation
0	Nothing written. Unintelligible.	very limited understanding of task limited understanding of texts	A speaker's role/identity as friendly expert B representation of stereotypes/shared cultural knowledge C representation of genre conventions of detective fiction D speaker's identity as authoritative E representation of Cambridge City Council as humble/humorous F speakers' identities as competitive G representation of characters as subverted stereotypes Linguistic areas – see AO1 grid

	Skills descriptors	Further detail	Content descriptors
AO3	Analyse and evaluate the influence of contextual factors on the production and reception of spoken and written language, showing knowledge of the key constituents of language	Tests candidates awareness of contextual influences on language production and reception and ability to support assertions made	Discussion of grouping ideas should be linked to contextual factors. Reward developed ideas about effect of language choices in relation to purpose and audience
15-16	Perceptive and insightful exploration of contextual factors. Analytical and systematic interpretation of factors and influence of language features. Integrated and helpful use of the data to support interpretation.	 makes links to contextual factors that are developed and illuminating makes links to context systematically embeds exemplification into the body of the response 	A North Run transcript live TV commentary broadcast on the BBC inform/entertain broad public audience with interest in sport/charity events
11-14	Clear understanding of a range of contextual factors. Sound analysis and engagement with factors in light of language features. Fully supported interpretations.	 makes links regularly to specific contextual factors makes clear links between language features and context exemplifies consistently 	 B Jokes web source entertain/performative multi-layered audience of webusers and broader audience when jokes are performed
7-10	Some consideration and understanding of contextual factors. Some awareness of the link between language features and context. Generally supported comment.	 considers the context of the data makes some links between language features and context exemplifies but may lack consistency 	C Detective cover
3-6	Awareness of one or two factors influencing data – likely to be broad in focus. Some limited attempt to analyse audience/purpose/genre/context. Some illustrated points.	 makes broad and routine links to context makes some attempt to mention audience and purpose exemplifies inaccurately or rarely 	 D Marriage service scripted spoken performative/legal function public invited audience wider potential audience on the web

1-2	Little or no attempt to explore issues of audience/purpose/genre/ context. Superficial/generalised response to the data. Likely to paraphrase/summarise.	 shows limited awareness of context takes a broad/descriptive approach describes what the data is about 	 E Bin eater card card apologetic/informative function residents of Cambridge specific audience F Transcript Halo 3
0	Nothing written. Unintelligible.		 performance role play dynamic fluidity physical action accompanying discourse online audience GGosh – paper bag entertain/advertise/persuade practical function to protect purchase consumer audience – actual and potential public audience of customers

Section B – Language and Social Contexts

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	Skills Descriptors	Further Details	Content Descriptors
AO2	Demonstrate critical understanding of a range of concepts and issues related to the construction and analysis of meanings in spoken and written language, using		Construction of assumed gendered identities
	knowledge of linguistic approaches		Discourses about gender which
15-16	Sensitive understanding of a range of issues	Critically evaluates relevant concepts	circulate in culture
		Recognises that one particular area of	Representations of women as strong and assertive
	Conceptualised, tentative discussion of ideas surrounding topic	language does not work in isolation Recognises complexities of representation	Representation of 'ideal' boyfriend
	Integrated examples from study which illuminate discussion	(e.g. transcripts, stories)	as accepting and accommodating
11-14	Clear understanding of a range of language concepts and issues	Uses the data as a starting point	Stereotypes linked to young male audience
	Developed discussion of ideas relating to concepts/issues related to topic	Selects the most relevant ideas and concepts from learned knowledge	Stereotypes linked to males and females
	Explores a range of well-selected examples	Recognises that AO2 can be challenged	Stereotypes linked to male topics
		Begins to recognise that one particular area of language does not work in isolation	e.g. football, and female topics e.g. shoes
			Students may refer to relevant ideas from language study, including their own research and observations

7-10	Some awareness of language concepts and issues	Tries to fit learned knowledge to the data with partial success	
	A number of concepts/issues discussed – but not fully explored	Selects some relevant ideas and concepts but may show more knowledge than relevance	
	Beginning to select and use salient examples	Links AO2 knowledge to features in the data, but may be tenuous or over-generalised	
		Tends to use the data to 'prove' learned knowledge	
		Considers the language area in isolation or as an absolute category	
3-6	Limited number of language concepts highlighted	Makes reference to learned knowledge but with limited relevance to the data	
	Superficial understanding shown	Cites research and theory with limited accuracy	
	Often descriptive and/or anecdotal in reference	Focuses on the data in a very limited way	
1-2	Elementary understanding of language concepts and use	Makes isolated reference to learned knowledge	
	More knowledge than relevance shown	Paraphrases the data	
	Occasional reference to language concept, but likely to be misunderstood	Misunderstands concepts and data	
0	Nothing written		
	Unintelligible		

	Skills Descriptors	Further Details	Content Descriptors
AO3i	Analyse and evaluate the influence of contextual factors on the production and reception of spoken and written language		Genre: self-help guide survival guide
15-16	Perceptive and insightful exploration of contextual factors	Explores relevant contextual factors Recognises the complexities of context Explores the connections between different aspects of context	humorous parody of advisory manual Purpose: to entertain
11-14	Clear understanding of a range of contextual factors	Identifies relevant contextual factors Analyses context Recognises some complexities of context	Notional audience: • young males, late teens to mid- 20s
7-10	Some consideration and understanding of contextual factors	Identifies obvious contextual factors Begins to analyse	
3-6	Awareness of one or two factors influencing data – likely to be broad in focus	Describes obvious context Demonstrates limited understanding of the bigger picture	
1-2	Little or no attempt to explore issues of audience/ purpose/genre/context	Paraphrases the given context Demonstrates little understanding of context	
0	Nothing written Unintelligible		

	Skills Descriptors	Further Details	Content Descriptors
AO3ii	Knowledge of the key constituents of language		
15-16	Analytical and systematic interpretation of factors and influence of language features Integrated and helpful use of the data to support interpretation	Selects salient language methods demonstrating understanding of complexities of data Clusters points to identify significant patterns of use Embeds exemplification into the body of analysis	Discourse structure: Introduction to illustrate the content; three key sections linked to three key scenarios Problem/solution discourse Lexis linked to female interests deliberately exaggerated e.g. diamond slippers
11-14	Sound analysis and engagement with factors in the light of language features Fully supported interpretations	Selects relevant language methods Clusters points to identify patterns of use Exemplifies consistently Shows a consistent degree of accuracy	Standard English with some formal expression e.g. At this juncture; some more colloquial references e.g. spot on, footie Cultural references requiring some shared understanding e.g. Michael Ball, Barbie doll
7-10	Some awareness of the link between language features and context Generally supported comment	Selects some relevant language methods Begins to recognise some patterns of use Exemplifies but may lack a consistent approach Uses terminology with some accuracy	Modifiers linked to clothing/shoes e.g. daintily hung belt Use of declaratives to offer advice Use of imperatives, typical of genre-linked to handling of the situation e.g. be confident and positive

3-6	L'andre Laurence and the Palabetas	Labala Israela Casterra de Maria de Contra de	
3-0	Limited awareness of the link between	Labels language features with partial	Veried contains times simes!
	language features and context	relevance	Varied sentence types – simple
			sentences e.g. keep it simple;
	Some illustrated points	Takes a line-by-line or unsystematic approach	compound/compley contended to
			compound/complex sentences to
		Exemplifies inaccurately or rarely	explain the advice offered
			Second person pronoun to directly
		Uses generalised or imprecise terminology	1
			address male audience; third person
			pronoun used throughout to refer to
			girlfriend
			Use of she/her to refer to the
			girlfriend – generalises to appeal to
			wide audience
			wide addience
1-2	Superficial/generalised response to the data	Makes isolated language points	Reported speech to suggest
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	Likely to paraphrase/ summarise	Takes a very descriptive approach	addressing the girlfriend – ellipsis so
	zmery to paraprilace, carmination	Takes a very assemptive approach	comments can be made specific to
		Rarely uses terminology	any scenario
		Training about terminology	any coonanc
			Humour to appeal to target audience
			appear to target addition
0	Nothing written		
	Unintelligible		

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	Skills Descriptors	Further Details	Content Descriptors
AO2	Demonstrate critical understanding of a range of concepts and issues related to the construction and analysis of meanings in spoken and written language, using knowledge of linguistic approaches		
15-16	Sensitive understanding of a range of issues	Critically evaluates relevant concepts	Negotiation of power by different speakers shifting positions
	Conceptualised, tentative discussion of ideas	Recognises that one particular area of	
	surrounding topic	language does not work in isolation	References to different aspects of power
	Integrated examples from study which	Recognises complexities of representation	·
	illuminate discussion	(e.g. transcripts, stories)	Face theories
11-14	Clear understanding of a range of language concepts and issues	Uses the data as a starting point	Politeness strategies
	·	Selects the most relevant ideas and concepts	Accommodation theory –
	Developed discussion of ideas relating to concepts/issues related to topic	from learned knowledge	convergence
		Recognises that AO2 can be challenged	Students may refer to relevant ideas
	Explores a range of well-selected examples		from language study, including their
		Begins to recognise that one particular area of language does not work in isolation	own research and observations.

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7-10	Some awareness of language concepts and issues	Tries to fit learned knowledge to the data with	
		partial success	
	A number of concepts/issues discussed – but not fully		
	explored	Selects some relevant ideas and concepts but	
		may show more knowledge than relevance	
	Beginning to select and use salient examples		
		Links AO2 knowledge to features in the data,	
		but may be tenuous or over-generalised	
		Tends to use the data to 'prove' learned	
		knowledge	
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		Considers the language area in isolation or as	
		an absolute category	
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3-6	Limited number of language concepts highlighted	Makes reference to learned knowledge but	
		with limited relevance to the data	
	Superficial understanding shown		
		Cites research and theory with limited	
	Often descriptive and/or anecdotal in reference	accuracy	
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		Focuses on the data in a very limited way	
1-2	Elementary understanding of language concepts and	Makes isolated reference to learned	
	use	knowledge	
	More knowledge than relevance shown	Paraphrases the data	
	Occasional reference to language concept, but likely to	Misunderstands concepts and data	
	be misunderstood		

0	Nothing written	
	Unintelligible	

	Skills Descriptors	Further Details	Content Descriptors
AO3i	Analyse and evaluate the influence of contextual factors on the production and reception of spoken and written language		
15-16	Perceptive and insightful exploration of contextual factors	Explores relevant contextual factors	Genre – telephone call
		Recognises the complexities of context	Purpose – various (aspects of persuasion, instruct, inform)
		Explores the connections between different	
		aspects of context	Audience – private but may be being
11-14	Clear understanding of a range of contextual factors	Identifies relevant contextual factors	recorded
		Analyses context	Transactional
		Recognises some complexities of context	Formal context
7-10	Some consideration and understanding of contextual factors	Identifies obvious contextual factors	No relationship between speakers
		Begins to analyse	Role of both speakers
3-6	Awareness of one or two factors influencing data – likely to be broad in focus	Describes obvious context	Staff member will have trained for this role
	data linery to be broad in recas	Demonstrates limited understanding of the	tilis fole
		bigger picture	Not face-to-face
1-2	Little or no attempt to explore issues of	Paraphrases the given context	Staff possibly following set discourse
	audience/ purpose/genre/context	Demonstrates little understanding of context	structure – not allowed to deviate from script.
0	Nothing written		
	Unintelligible		

	Skills Descriptors	Further Details	Content Descriptors
AO3ii	Knowledge of the key constituents of language		
15-16	Analytical and systematic interpretation of		Politeness markers by both
	factors and influence of language features	Selects salient language methods	
		demonstrating understanding of complexities	Familiar term of address by staff
	Integrated and helpful use of the data to	of data	
	support interpretation		Overuse of first name
		Clusters points to identify significant patterns	
		of use	Non-fluency features in customer
		Embada ayamplification into the bady of	speech/lack of non-fluency features in staff speech (part-scripted?)
		Embeds exemplification into the body of analysis	in stail speech (part-scripted?)
		allalysis	Example of non-fluency features:
11-14	Sound analysis and engagement with factors in		self-correction, repetition, fillers,
	the light of language features	Selects relevant language methods	voiced pauses
	Fully supported interpretations	Clusters points to identify patterns of use	Informal lexis by customer
		Exemplifies consistently	Q/A discourse structure
		Shows a consistent degree of accuracy	Repetitive syntactical structure for
7-10	Some awareness of the link between language		questions
	features and context	Selects some relevant language methods	Pronouns (direct address and
		a contract of the contract of	inclusive)
	Generally supported comment	Begins to recognise some patterns of use	molecito)
			Pre-modifiers
		Exemplifies but may lack a consistent	
		approach	Superlative
		Uses terminology with some accuracy	Modals

3-6	Limited awareness of the link between	Labala lawawaa faabuusa wibb wantial	Interrogatives
	language features and context	Labels language features with partial relevance	Conditional sentences 'if'
	Some illustrated points	Takes a line-by-line or unsystematic approach	Formal register by staff (e.g. lexis. No
		Exemplifies inaccurately or rarely	contractions)
		Uses generalised or imprecise terminology	
1-2	Superficial/generalised response to the data Likely to paraphrase/ summarise	Makes isolated language points	
	Likely to paraphilase/ summarise	Takes a very descriptive approach	
		Rarely uses terminology	
0	Nothing written		
	Unintelligible		

OR

	Skills Descriptors	Further Details	Content Descriptors
AO2	Demonstrate critical understanding of a range of concepts and issues related to the construction and analysis of meanings in spoken and written language, using knowledge of linguistic approaches		
15-16	Sensitive understanding of a range of issues Conceptualised, tentative discussion of ideas surrounding topic Integrated examples from study which illuminate discussion	Critically evaluates relevant concepts Recognises that one particular area of language does not work in isolation Recognises complexities of representation (e.g. transcripts, stories)	Constraints of this form of technology: • Affordances (e.g. communicating to a wide range of groups) • Limitations (e.g. teacher role; specific and limited/pre-set options)
11-14	Clear understanding of a range of language concepts and issues Developed discussion of ideas relating to concepts/issues related to topic Explores a range of well-selected examples	Uses the data as a starting point Selects the most relevant ideas and concepts from learned knowledge Recognises that AO2 can be challenged Begins to recognise that one particular area of language does not work in isolation	Social practices of community – rules and rituals Online identities linked to roles Conventions of Twitter/tweets Discussion of evolving and developing technology – the recent and rapid rise of Twitter Link to conventions of other forms of communication via technology (text messages, posts on social network sites)

7-10	Some awareness of language concepts and	Tries to fit learned knowledge to the data with	
	issues	partial success	Interactive aspect of technology
	A number of concepts/issues discussed – but not fully explored	Selects some relevant ideas and concepts but may show more knowledge than relevance	Students may refer to relevant ideas from language study, including their own research and observations.
	Beginning to select and use salient examples	Links AO2 knowledge to features in the data, but may be tenuous or over-generalised	
		Tends to use the data to 'prove' learned knowledge	
		Considers the language area in isolation or as an absolute category	
3-6	Limited number of language concepts highlighted	Makes reference to learned knowledge but with limited relevance to the data	
	Superficial understanding shown	Cites research and theory with limited accuracy	
	Often descriptive and/or anecdotal in reference	Focuses on the data in a very limited way	
1-2	Elementary understanding of language concepts and use	Makes isolated reference to learned knowledge	
	More knowledge than relevance shown	Paraphrases the data	
	Occasional reference to language concept, but likely to be misunderstood	Misunderstands concepts and data	
0	Nothing written		
	Unintelligible		

	Skills Descriptors	Further Details	Content Descriptors
AO3i	Analyse and evaluate the influence of contextual factors on the production and reception of spoken and written language		
15-16	Perceptive and insightful exploration of contextual factors	Explores relevant contextual factors	Genre – tweets/Twitter time line
		Recognises the complexities of context	Purpose – dual purpose to inform, instruct and engage student interest
		Explores the connections between different aspects of context	Audience – aimed primarily at a
11-14	Clear understanding of a range of contextual factors	Identifies relevant contextual factors	specific audience; may have shared and assumed knowledge
		Analyses context	Audience – anyone who follows the
7-10	Some consideration and understanding of contextual factors	Recognises some complexities of context Identifies obvious contextual factors	tweeter and anyone who reads a subsequent retweet
	Contextual factors	Begins to analyse	Professional relationship
3-6	Awareness of one or two factors influencing data – likely to be broad in focus	Describes obvious context Demonstrates limited understanding of the bigger picture	Personal Twitter account for professional purposes (may have different account for personal
1-2	Little or no attempt to explore issues of audience/ purpose/genre/context	Paraphrases the given context Demonstrates little understanding of context	tweets) Large gaps between dates – not
0	Nothing written	Demonstrates little understanding of context	used often (only when necessary/ appropriate)
	Unintelligible		Teacher role

	Skills Descriptors	Further Details	Content Descriptors
AO3ii	Knowledge of the key constituents of language		
15-16	Analytical and systematic interpretation of factors and influence of language features	Selects salient language methods demonstrating understanding of complexities of data	Moniker/account name and full name
	Integrated and helpful use of the data to support interpretation	Clusters points to identify significant patterns	Hash tags
		of use	Elision
		Embeds exemplification into the body of analysis	American spelling
			Symbols
11-14	Sound analysis and engagement with factors in the light of language features	Selects relevant language methods	He of puretuation for enough and
	Fully supported interpretations	Clusters points to identify patterns of use	Use of punctuation for speech and thought processes (e.g. !!)
		Exemplifies consistently	Imperatives
		Shows a consistent degree of accuracy	Some informal lexis although mainly formal
7-10	Some awareness of the link between language	Selects some relevant language methods	
	features and context	Begins to recognise some patterns of use	Simple sentences
	Generally supported comment	Exemplifies but may lack a consistent	Use of punctuation
		approach	Politeness markers
		Uses terminology with some accuracy	Interrogatives

3-6	Limited awareness of the link between language features and context	Labels language features with partial relevance	Elliptical sentence structure
	Some illustrated points	Takes a line-by-line or unsystematic approach	Acronym (shared understanding)
		Exemplifies inaccurately or rarely	Туро
		Uses generalised or imprecise terminology	
1-2	Superficial/generalised response to the data	Makes isolated language points	
	Likely to paraphrase/ summarise	Takes a very descriptive approach	
		Rarely uses terminology	
0	Nothing written		
	Unintelligible		