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# ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (SPECIFICATION A) Unit 5 Texts and Audience

NTA5

Monday 29 January 2007 1.30 pm to 3.45 pm

For this paper you must have:

• a 16-page answer book.

Time allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes

### **Instructions**

- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is NTA5.
- Answer one question from Section A and both parts of Question 13 in Section B.
- Do all rough work in the answer book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

# **Information**

- The texts prescribed for this paper **may not** be taken into the examination room.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 150.
- All questions carry 50 marks.
- Section A carries 50 marks and Section B carries 100 marks.
- You will be marked on your ability to use an appropriate form and style of writing, to organise relevant information clearly and coherently, and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.
   The legibility of your handwriting and the accuracy of your spelling, punctuation and grammar will also be considered.
- Othello and The Alchemist are examined for the final time in this paper. The questions set on these texts, on pages 14–17 should therefore be attempted **only** by candidates who are **re-sitting** these texts.

# Advice

• You should spend no longer than 45 minutes on your Section A question, and 45 minutes on Question 13(a) and 45 minutes on Question 13(b) in Section B.

# **SECTION A - Dramatic Study**

Answer **one** question from this section.

You should spend no longer than 45 minutes on your Section A question.

# *Hamlet* – William Shakespeare

### EITHER

1 Read the extract printed below.

How does Shakespeare present the relationship between Hamlet and Horatio, here **and** elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

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HORATIO
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It beckons you to go away with it,

As if it some impartment did desire

To you alone.

MARCELLUS Look with what courteous action

It waves you to a more removed ground.

But do not go with it.

HORATIO

No, by no means.

HAMLET

It will not speak. Then I will follow it.

HORATIO

Do not, my lord.

HAMLET

Why, what should be the fear?

I do not set my life at a pin's fee.

And for my soul, what can it do to that,

Being a thing immortal as itself?

It waves me forth again. I'll follow it.

HORATIO

What if it tempt you toward the flood, my lord,

Or to the dreadful summit of the cliff

That beetles o'er his base into the sea,

And there assume some other, horrible form,

Which might deprive your sovereignty of reason

And draw you into madness? Think of it.

The very place puts toys of desperation,

Without more motive, into every brain

That looks so many fathoms to the sea

And hears it roar beneath.

HAMLET

It waves me still. -

Go on. I'll follow thee.

MARCELLUS

You shall not go, my lord.

HAMLET Hold off

Hold off your hands.

Act 1 Scope 1

HORATIO

Be ruled. You shall not go.

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Read the extract printed below.

How does Shakespeare explore ideas about betrayal, here **and** elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

... But know, thou noble youth, **GHOST** The serpent that did sting thy father's life Now wears his crown. HAMLET O my prophetic soul! My uncle?

**GHOST** 

Ay, that incestuous, that adulterate beast, With witchcraft of his wit, with traitorous gifts -O wicked wit and gifts, that have the power So to seduce! – won to his shameful lust The will of my most seeming-virtuous Queen. O Hamlet, what a falling off was there, From me, whose love was of that dignity That it went hand in hand even with the vow I made to her in marriage; and to decline Upon a wretch whose natural gifts were poor To those of mine! But virtue as it never will be moved, Though lewdness court it in a shape of heaven, So lust, though to a radiant angel linked, Will sate itself in a celestial bed And prey on garbage. But soft, methinks I scent the morning air. Brief let me be. Sleeping within my orchard, My custom always of the afternoon, Upon my secure hour thy uncle stole With juice of cursèd hebona in a vial, And in the porches of my ears did pour The leperous distilment; whose effect Holds such an enmity with blood of man That swift as quicksilver it courses through The natural gates and alleys of the body, And with a sudden vigour it doth posset And curd, like eager droppings into milk, The thin and wholesome blood. So did it mine. And a most instant tetter barked about, Most lazar-like, with vile and loathsome crust All my smooth body. Thus was I sleeping by a brother's hand

Of life, of crown, of queen at once dispatched, Cut off even in the blossoms of my sin, Unhouseled, disappointed, unaneled,

No reckoning made, but sent to my account With all my imperfections on my head. O, horrible! O, horrible! Most horrible!

# Twelfth Night - William Shakespeare

### OR

3 Read the extract printed below.

Explore the role and presentation of Maria, here **and** elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

MARIA Sweet Sir Toby, be patient for tonight. Since the youth of the Count's was today with my lady, she is much out of quiet. For Monsieur Malvolio, let me alone with him. If I do not gull him into a nayword, and make him a common recreation, do not think I have wit enough to lie straight in my bed. I know I can do it.

SIR TOBY Possess us, possess us, tell us something of him.

MARIA Marry, sir, sometimes he is a kind of puritan —

SIR ANDREW O, if I thought that, I'd beat him like a dog.

SIR TOBY What, for being a puritan? Thy exquisite reason, dear knight?

SIR ANDREW I have no exquisite reason for't, but I have reason good enough.

MARIA The devil a puritan that he is, or anything, constantly, but a time-pleaser, an affectioned ass that cons state without book and utters it by great swathes; the best persuaded of himself, so crammed, as he thinks, with excellencies, that it is his grounds of faith that all that look on him love him – and on that vice in him will my revenge find notable cause to work.

SIR TOBY What wilt thou do?

MARIA I will drop in his way some obscure epistles of love; wherein, by the colour of his beard, the shape of his leg, the manner of his gait, the expressure of his eye, forehead, and complexion, he shall find himself most feelingly personated. I can write very like my lady, your niece; on a forgotten matter we can hardly make distinction of our hands.

SIR TOBY Excellent! I smell a device.

SIR ANDREW I have't in my nose too.

SIR TOBY He shall think by the letters that thou wilt drop that they come from my niece, and that she's in love with him.

MARIA My purpose is indeed a horse of that colour.

SIR ANDREW And your horse now would make him an

MARIA Ass, I doubt not.

SIR ANDREW O, 'twill be admirable!

MARIA Sport royal, I warrant you. I know my physic will work with him. I will plant you two, and let the fool make a third, where he shall find the letter. Observe his construction of it. For this night, to bed, and dream on the event. Farewell.

Exit

4 Read the extract printed below.

Explore how Shakespeare creates different moods, here **and** elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

### **SEBASTIAN**

I am sorry, madam, I have hurt your kinsman.

But had it been the brother of my blood

I must have done no less, with wit and safety.

You throw a strange regard upon me; and by that

I do perceive it hath offended you.

Pardon me, sweet one, even for the vows

We made each other but so late ago.

### ORSINO

One face, one voice, one habit, and two persons!

A natural perspective, that is and is not.

### SEBASTIAN

Antonio! O, my dear Antonio!

How have the hours racked and tortured me

Since I have lost thee!

# ANTONIO

Sebastian, are you?

SEBASTIAN

Fear'st thou that, Antonio?

### ANTONIO

How have you made division of yourself?

An apple cleft in two is not more twin

Than these two creatures. Which is Sebastian?

### OLIVIA

Most wonderful!

# SEBASTIAN

Do I stand there? I never had a brother;

Nor can there be that deity in my nature

Of here and everywhere. I had a sister

Whom the blind waves and surges have devoured.

Of charity, what kin are you to me?

What countryman? What name? What parentage?

### VIOLA

Of Messaline. Sebastian was my father.

Such a Sebastian was my brother too.

So went he suited to his watery tomb.

If spirits can assume both form and suit

You come to fright us.

Act 5 Scene 1

# King Lear – William Shakespeare

### OR

5 Read the extract printed below.

How does Shakespeare present Kent, here and elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

### **KENT**

Sir, 'tis my occupation to be plain.

I have seen better faces in my time

Than stands on any shoulder that I see

Before me at this instant.

CORNWALL

This is some fellow

Who, having been praised for bluntness, doth affect

A saucy roughness, and constrains the garb

Quite from his nature. He cannot flatter, he!

An honest mind and plain – he must speak truth!

And they will take it, so; if not, he's plain.

These kind of knaves I know, which in this plainness

Harbour more craft and more corrupter ends

Than twenty silly-ducking observants

That stretch their duties nicely.

### KENT

Sir, in good faith, in sincere verity,

Under th'allowance of your great aspect

Whose influence like the wreath of radiant fire

On flickering Phoebus' front –

CORNWALL

What mean'st by this?

KENT To go out of my dialect which you discommend so much. I know, sir, I am no flatterer. He that beguiled you in a plain accent was a plain knave; which, for my part, I will not be, though I should win your displeasure to entreat me to't.

CORNWALL What was th'offence you gave him?

OSWALD I never gave him any.

It pleased the King his master very late

To strike at me upon his misconstruction,

When he, compact, and flattering his displeasure,

Tripped me behind; being down, insulted, railed,

And put upon him such a deal of man

That worthied him, got praises of the King

For him attempting who was self-subdued;

And in the fleshment of this dread exploit

Drew on me here again.

KENT None of these rogues and cowards

But Ajax is their fool.

**6** Read the extract printed below.

Explore Shakespeare's use of violent language and imagery, here **and** elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

**LEAR** 

He kneels

Hear, Nature, hear! Dear goddess, hear!
Suspend thy purpose if thou didst intend
To make this creature fruitful.
Into her womb convey sterility,
Dry up in her the organs of increase,
And from her derogate body never spring
A babe to honour her. If she must teem,
Create her child of spleen, that it may live
And be a thwart disnatured torment to her.
Let it stamp wrinkles in her brow of youth,
With cadent tears fret channels in her cheeks,
Turn all her mother's pains and benefits
To laughter and contempt, that she may feel
How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is

Exit

ALBANY

Now gods that we adore, whereof comes this? GONERIL

To have a thankless child! Away, away!

Never afflict yourself to know more of it; But let his disposition have that scope As dotage gives it.

Enter Lear

LEAR

What, fifty of my followers at a clap? Within a fortnight?

ALBANY

What's the matter, sir?

**LEAR** 

I'll tell thee – (to Goneril) life and death! I am ashamed

That thou hast power to shake my manhood thus, That these hot tears which break from me perforce Should make thee worth them. Blasts and fogs upon

thee!

Th'untented woundings of a father's curse Pierce every sense about thee! – Old fond eyes, Beweep this cause again, I'll pluck ye out And cast you with the waters that you loose To temper clay. Yea, is't come to this?

Act 1 Scene 4

# The Winter's Tale – William Shakespeare

### OR

7 Read the extract printed below.

Examine the role and presentation of Polixenes, here **and** elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

### **POLIXENES**

Nine changes of the watery star hath been
The shepherd's note since we have left our throne
Without a burden. Time as long again
Would be filled up, my brother, with our thanks,
And yet we should for perpetuity
Go hence in debt. And therefore, like a cipher

Yet standing in rich place, I multiply

With one 'We thank you' many thousands more That go before it.

LEONTES Stay your thanks a while,

And pay them when you part.

POLIXENES Sir, that's tomorrow.

I am questioned by my fears of what may chance Or breed upon our absence. That may blow

No sneaping winds at home, to make us say

'This is put forth too truly'! Besides, I have stayed To tire your royalty.

LEONTES We are tougher, brother,

Than you can put us to't.

POLIXENES No longer stay.

**LEONTES** 

One sev'n-night longer.

POLIXENES Very sooth, tomorrow.

LEONTES

We'll part the time between's then; and in that I'll no gainsaying.

POLIXENES Press me not, beseech you, so.

There is no tongue that moves, none, none i'th'world,

So soon as yours could win me. So it should now,

Were there necessity in your request, although

'Twere needful I denied it. My affairs

Do even drag me homeward; which to hinder

Were, in your love, a whip to me, my stay

To you a charge and trouble. To save both,

Farewell, our brother.

Act 1 Scene 2

**8** Read the extract printed below.

Examine how Shakespeare explores lack of trust, here **and** elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

LEONTES

I'fecks!

Why, that's my bawcock. What, hast smutched thy nose?

They say it is a copy out of mine. Come, captain, We must be neat – not neat but cleanly, captain.

And yet the steer, the heifer, and the calf

Are all called neat. Still virginalling

Upon his palm? - How now, you wanton calf!

Art thou my calf?

MAMILLIUS

Yes, if you will, my lord.

LEONTES

Thou want'st a rough pash and the shoots that I have

To be full like me; yet they say we are

Almost as like as eggs. Women say so,

That will say anything. But were they false

As o'er-dyed blacks, as wind, as waters, false

As dice are to be wished by one that fixes

No bourn 'twixt his and mine, yet were it true

To say this boy were like me. Come, sir page,

Look on me with your welkin eye. Sweet villain!

Most dear'st! My collop! Can thy dam? May't be?

Affection, thy intention stabs the centre.

Thou dost make possible things not so held,

Communicat'st with dreams – how can this be? –

With what's unreal thou coactive art,

And fellow'st nothing. Then 'tis very credent

Thou mayst co-join with something; and thou dost,

And that beyond commission, and I find it,

And that to the infection of my brains

And hardening of my brows.

Act 1 Scene 2

# Doctor Faustus - Christopher Marlowe

### OR

**9** Read the extract printed below.

How does Marlowe convey Faustus's feelings of doubt, here **and** elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Marlowe's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

### **FAUSTUS**

Now Faustus, must thou needs be damned,

And canst thou not be saved.

What boots it then to think of God or heaven?

Away with such vain fancies and despair,

Despair in God, and trust in Belzebub.

Now go not backward: no, Faustus, be resolute;

Why waverest thou? O, something soundeth in mine ears:

'Abjure this magic, turn to God again'.

Ay, and Faustus will turn to God again.

To God? He loves thee not:

The god thou servest is thine own appetite

Wherein is fixed the love of Belzebub.

To him I'll build an altar and a church,

And offer luke-warm blood of new-born babes.

Enter GOOD ANGEL and EVIL [ANGEL]

### GOOD ANGEL

Sweet Faustus, leave that execrable art.

**FAUSTUS** 

Contrition, prayer, repentance: what of them?

GOOD ANGEL

O they are means to bring thee unto heaven.

EVIL ANGEL

Rather illusions, fruits of lunacy,

That makes men foolish that do trust them most.

GOOD ANGEL

Sweet Faustus, think of heaven, and heavenly things.

EVIL ANGEL

No Faustus, think of honour and of wealth.

Exeunt [ANGELS]

### **FAUSTUS**

Of wealth!

Why, the signory of Emden shall be mine

When Mephastophilis shall stand by me.

What god can hurt thee, Faustus? Thou art safe,

Cast no more doubts. Come Mephastophilis,

And bring glad tidings from great Lucifer.

Is't not midnight? Come Mephastophilis:

Veni, veni Mephastophile.

# 10 Read the extract printed below.

Examine the role and presentation of Wagner, here **and** elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Marlowe's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.
- 1 SCHOLAR

How now sirra, where's thy master?

WAGNER

God in heaven knows.

2 SCHOLAR

Why, dost not thou know?

WAGNER

Yes I know, but that follows not.

1 SCHOLAR

Go to sirra, leave your jesting, and tell us where he is.

WAGNER

That follows not necessary by force of argument, that you, being licentiates, should stand upon't; therefore acknowledge your error, and be attentive.

2 SCHOLAR

Why, didst thou not say thou knew'st?

WAGNER

Have you any witness on't?

1 SCHOLAR

Yes sirra, I heard you.

WAGNER

Ask my fellow if I be a thief.

2 SCHOLAR

Well, you will not tell us.

WAGNER

Yes sir, I will tell you; yet if you were not dunces you would never ask me such a question. For is not he *corpus naturale*? And is not that *mobile*? Then wherefore should you ask me such a question? But that I am by nature phlegmatic, slow to wrath, and prone to lechery – to love I would say – it were not for you to come within forty foot of the place of execution, although I do not doubt to see you both hanged the next sessions. Thus having triumphed over you, I will set my countenance like a precisian, and begin to speak thus: Truly my dear brethren, my master is within at dinner with Valdes and Cornelius, as this wine, if it could speak, it would inform your worships. And so the Lord bless you, preserve you, and keep you, my dear brethren, my dear brethren.

Exit

# *The Rover* – Aphra Behn

### OR

# 11 Read the extract printed below.

Examine Behn's presentation of Hellena, here and elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Behn's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

### **HELLENA**

Have a care how you venture with me, sir, lest I pick your pocket, which will more vex your English humour than an Italian fortune will please you.

#### WILLMORE

How the devil cam'st thou to know my country and humour?

### HELLENA

The first I guess by a certain forward impudence, which does not displease me at this time; and the loss of your money will vex you because I hope you have but very little to lose.

### WILLMORE

Egad, child, thou'rt i'th' right; it is so little I dare not offer it thee for a kindness. But cannot you divine what other things of more value I have about me that I would more willingly part with?

### **HELLENA**

Indeed no, that's the business of a witch, and I am but a gipsy yet. Yet without looking in your hand, I have a parlous guess 'tis some foolish heart you mean, an inconstant English heart, as little worth stealing as your purse.

# WILLMORE

Nay, then thou dost deal with the devil, that's certain. Thou hast guessed as right as if thou hadst been one of that number it has languished for. I find you'll be better acquainted with it, nor can you take it in a better time; for I am come from sea, child, and Venus not being propitious to me in her own element, I have a world of love in store. Would you would be good-natured and take some on't off my hands.

### HELLENA

Why, I could be inclined that way, but for a foolish vow I am going to make – to die a maid.

# WILLMORE

Then thou art damned without redemption, and as I am a good Christian, I ought in charity to divert so wicked a design. Therefore prithee, dear creature, let me know quickly when and where I shall begin to set a helping hand to so good a work.

### **HELLENA**

If you should prevail with my tender heart – as I begin to fear you will, for you have horrible loving eyes – there will be difficulty in't, that you'll hardly undergo for my sake.

# 12 Read the extract printed below.

How does Behn create humour, here and elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Behn's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

### **BLUNT**

So, now must I speak in my own defence; I'll try what rhetoric will do. [*To those without*] Hold, hold! What do you mean, gentlemen? What do you mean?

BELVILE (within)

Oh, rogue, art alive? Prithee open the door and convince us.

BLUNT

Yes, I am alive, gentlemen – but at present a little busy. BELVILE (*within*)

How? Blunt grown a man of business? Come, come, open and let's see this miracle.

**BLUNT** 

No, no, no, no! Gentlemen, 'tis no great business – but – I am – at – my devotion. 'Dsheartlikins, will you not allow a man time to pray?

BELVILE (within)

Turned religious! A greater wonder than the first, therefore open quickly, or we shall unhinge, we shall.

BLUNT [Aside]

This won't do. [To them] – Why, hark'ee colonel, to tell you the plain truth, I am about a necessary affair of life – I have a wench with me. You apprehend me? [Aside] The devil's in't if they be so uncivil as to disturb me now.

WILLMORE [within]

How, a wench? Nay, then we must enter and partake no resistance – unless it be your lady of quality, and then we'll keep our distance.

BLUNT [Aside]

So, the business is out.

WILLMORE [within]

Come, come, lend's more hands to the door. – Now heave all together. (*Breaks open the door*) So, well done, my boys!

Enter BELVILE [and his PAGE], WILLMORE, FREDERICK, and PEDRO. BLUNT looks simply; they all laugh at him. He lays his hand on his sword and comes up to WILLMORE

BLUNT

Hark'ee, sir, laugh out your laugh quickly, d'ye hear, and begone. I shall spoil your sport else. 'Adsheartlikins, sir, I shall – the jest has been carried on too long. (Aside) A plague upon my tailor!

WILLMORE

'Sdeath, how the whore has dressed him! Faith sir, I'm sorry.

# RE-SIT QUESTIONS - TO BE ATTEMPTED BY RE-SIT CANDIDATES ONLY

# Othello - William Shakespeare

### EITHER

# **Re-sit A** Read the extract printed below.

How is the relationship between Othello and Cassio presented, here **and** elsewhere in the play?

A shot.

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

CASSIO Thanks, you the valiant of this warlike isle

That so approve the Moor. O, let the heavens

Give him defence against the elements,

For I have lost him on a dangerous sea.

MONTANO Is he well shipped?

CASSIO His bark is stoutly timbered, and his pilot

Of very expert and approved allowance,

Therefore my hopes, not surfeited to death,

Stand in bold cure.

A VOICE (within) A sail! a sail! a sail!

CASSIO What noise?

2 GENTLEMAN The town is empty: on the brow o'th' sea

Stand ranks of people, and they cry 'A sail!'

CASSIO My hopes do shape him for the governor.

2 GENTLEMAN They do discharge their shot of courtesy,

Our friends at least.

CASSIO I pray you sir, go forth

And give us truth who 'tis that is arrived.

2 GENTLEMAN I shall.

MONTANO But, good lieutenant, is your general wived?

CASSIO Most fortunately: he hath achieved a maid

That paragons description and wild fame;

One that excels the quirks of blazoning pens

And in th'essential vesture of creation

Does tire the inginer.

Enter Second Gentleman.

How now? Who has put in?

2 GENTLEMAN 'Tis one Iago, ancient to the general.

CASSIO He's had most favourable and happy speed.

Tempests themselves, high seas, and howling winds,

The guttered rocks and congregated sands,

Traitors ensteeped to clog the guiltless keel,

As having sense of beauty, do omit

Their mortal natures, letting go safely by

The divine Desdemona.

MONTANO

What is she?

CASSIO She that I spake of, our great captain's captain,

Left in the conduct of the bold Iago,

Whose footing here anticipates our thoughts

A se'nnight's speed. Great Jove, Othello guard,

And swell his sail with thine own powerful breath

That he may bless this bay with his tall ship,

Make love's quick pants in Desdemona's arms, Give renewed fire to our extincted spirits

And bring all Cyprus comfort! –

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#### Re-sit B Read the extract printed below.

Explore how Shakespeare presents attitudes towards fidelity and infidelity, here and elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Shakespeare's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

### **DESDEMONA**

I hope my noble lord esteems me honest.

OTHELLO

O, ay, as summer flies are in the shambles,

That quicken even with blowing. O thou weed

Who art so lovely fair and smell'st so sweet

That the sense aches at thee, would thou hadst ne'er

been born!

**DESDEMONA** 

Alas, what ignorant sin have I committed?

OTHELLO

Was this fair paper, this most goodly book

Made to write 'whore' upon? What committed!

Committed? O thou public commoner!

I should make very forges of my cheeks

That would to cinders burn up modesty

Did I but speak thy deeds. What committed!

Heaven stops the nose at it, and the moon winks,

The bawdy wind that kisses all it meets

Is hushed within the hollow mine of earth

And will not hear't. What committed!

Impudent strumpet!

By heaven, you do me wrong. **DESDEMONA** 

OTHELLO

Are not you a strumpet?

**DESDEMONA** 

No, as I am a Christian.

If to preserve this vessel for my lord

From any hated foul unlawful touch

Be not to be a strumpet, I am none.

OTHELLO

What, not a whore?

**DESDEMONA** 

No, as I shall be saved.

OTHELLO

Is't possible?

**DESDEMONA** 

O heaven, forgive us!

OTHELLO I cry you mercy then,

I took you for that cunning whore of Venice

That married with Othello.

# RE-SIT QUESTIONS - TO BE ATTEMPTED BY RE-SIT CANDIDATES ONLY

# OR

# *The Alchemist* – Ben Jonson

# **Re-sit** C Read the extract printed below.

How does Jonson convey the persuasiveness of Face, here **and** elsewhere in the play?

In your answer you should consider:

- Jonson's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

MAMMON

Do we succeed? Is our day come? And holds it?

FACE

The evening will set red, upon you, sir;

You have colour for it, crimson: the red ferment

Has done his office. Three hours hence, prepare you

To see projection.

MAMMON Pertinax, my Surly,

Again, I say to thee, aloud: be rich.

This day, thou shalt have ingots: and, tomorrow,

Give lords th'affront. Is it, my Zephyrus, right?

Blushes the bolt's head?

FACE Like a wench with child, sir,

That were, but now, discovered to her master.

MAMMON

Excellent witty Lungs! My only care is,

Where to get stuff, enough now, to project on,

This town will not half serve me.

FACE No, sir? Buy

The covering off o' churches.

MAMMON That's true.

FACE Yes.

Let 'em stand bare, as do their auditory.

Or cap 'em, new, with shingles.

MAMMON No, good thatch:

Thatch will lie light upo' the rafters, Lungs.

Lungs, I will manumit thee, from the furnace;

I will restore thee thy complexion, Puff,

Lost in the embers; and repair this brain,

Hurt wi' the fume o' the metals.

FACE I have blown, sir,

Hard, for your worship; thrown by many a coal,

When 'twas not beech; weighed those I put in, just,

To keep your heat still even; these bleared eyes

Have waked, to read your several colours, sir,

Of the pale citron, the green lion, the crow, The peacock's tail, the plumed swan.

MAMMON And, lastly,

Thou hast descried the flower, the sanguis agni?

FACE

Yes, sir.

MAMMON Where's master?

FACE At's prayers, sir, he,

Good man, he's doing his devotions,

For the success.

MAMMON Lungs, I will set a period,

To all thy labours: thou shalt be the master

Of my seraglio.

face Good, sir.

MAMMON But do you hear?

CE Yes sir

I'll geld you, Lungs.

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# **Re-sit D** Read the extract printed below.

DRUGGER

Explore how Jonson presents attitudes towards women, here **and** elsewhere in the play.

In your answer you should consider:

- Jonson's language choices
- the ways in which attitudes and values are conveyed.

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Abel, thou art made.
                       Sir, I do thank his worship. [Bows]
DRUGGER
FACE
   Six o' thy legs more, will not do it, Nab.
   He has brought you a pipe of tobacco, Doctor.
DRUGGER
                                                Yes, sir:
   I have another thing, I would impart—
   Out with it, Nab.
                   Sir, there is lodged, hard by me,
DRUGGER
   A rich young widow-
                          Good! A bona roba?
FACE
DRUGGER
   But nineteen, at the most.
                            Very good, Abel.
FACE
DRUGGER
   Marry, she's not in fashion, yet; she wears
   A hood: but 't stands a cop.
                              No matter, Abel.
FACE
DRUGGER
   And, I do, now and then give her a fucus—
   What! Dost thou deal, Nab?
                              I did tell you, Captain.
SUBTLE
DRUGGER
   And physic too sometime, sir: for which she trusts me
   With all her mind. She's come up here, of purpose
   To learn the fashion.
                       Good (his match too!) on, Nab.
FACE
DRUGGER
   And she does strangely long to know her fortune.
   God's lid, Nab, send her to the Doctor, hither.
DRUGGER
   Yes, I have spoke to her of his worship, already:
   But she's afraid, it will be blown abroad
   And hurt her marriage.
                         Hurt it? 'Tis the way
FACE
   To heal it, if 'twere hurt; to make it more
   Followed, and sought: Nab, thou shalt tell her this.
   She'll be more known, more talked of, and your widows
   Are ne'er of any price till they be famous;
   Their honour is their multitude of suitors:
   Send her, it may be thy good fortune. What?
   Thou dost not know.
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No, sir, she'll never marry

Under a knight. Her brother has made a vow.

What, and dost thou despair, my little Nab, Knowing, what the Doctor has set down for thee, And, seeing so many, o' the city, dubbed? One glass o' thy water, with a Madam, I know, Will have it done, Nab. What's her brother? A knight?

# **SECTION B – Adaptation of Texts for an Audience**

Answer both parts of Question 13.

13 (a) Read the source material which follows. **Text A** is an extract from the website of the National Anti-Vivisection Society; **Text B** is from the website of an organisation which uses animals for scientific research.

Using relevant information from these texts, write a speech for or against scientific testing on animals. Your speech could be delivered in **one** of the following contexts:

- a public meeting
- a college or school debate.

You should adapt the source material, using your own words as far as possible.

Your speech should be approximately 350 – 400 words in length.

- (b) Compare your own writing with **either** Text A **or** Text B in order to highlight the choices you have made in your writing. In your comparison you should show:
  - how language and form have been used to suit audience and purpose
  - how vocabulary and other stylistic features have been used to shape meaning and to achieve particular effects.

You should aim to write about 400 - 500 words in this comparative commentary.

**END OF QUESTIONS** 

### Text A

### What is vivisection?

Vivisection literally means the cutting up of a live animal; however dictionary definitions have been revised over the years, and this term has become a general label for all types of animal experiments.

In secret, inside the world's laboratories, animals are burnt, blinded, mutilated; their limbs are deliberately broken; they are force-fed products; noxious chemicals dripped into their eyes; irradiated; deliberately infected with disease, and more.

Yet these experiments can never be trusted. The fundamental flaw of animal-based research is that each species responds differently to drugs and chemicals. Therefore, results from animal tests are unreliable as a means of predicting likely effects in humans. Thus, animal experiments are unreliable, unethical, and unnecessary.

Nevertheless, animals suffer and die to test products used in the home, at work, in the car, in the garden and personal body care products. They are used in biological, chemical, and ballistic warfare testing. The United Kingdom's Porton Down 'defence' centre tests weapons on animals – almost every country in the world has some kind of similar weapons programme, which they develop on animals.

Animals are used in space programmes – terrified animals were shot into space before people; tests previously conducted on Earth are repeated in space to see the difference.

Animals are subjected to deep sea pressure and raised quickly to the surface to suffer decompression sickness ('the bends').

They are used to develop crude surgical procedures, despite the differences between the species. Their bones are broken to see how they mend.

Animal skulls are drilled open and hardware inserted so that the function of their brains can be recorded.

Baby animals are deprived of their mothers to see what effect it has on them in later life.

Animals are used to develop and test pharmaceutical products – both medical and 'pseudomedical' products – for example illicit (recreational) drugs, slimming drugs, or, a pharmaceutical company's new, improved, drug which might in fact be introduced to the market simply to improve sales. Of the 20-30,000 pharmaceutical products on the market today, the World Health Organisation has listed only 250 as being necessary for human health programmes.

In the UK, over 2.5 million procedures take place on animals every year. NAVS investigations have also revealed that there is a high level of wastage in the UK's animal labs – for every animal used, around 3 animals have been reared only to be killed because they are surplus to requirements.

Consistent and reliable records are not kept worldwide, but it is estimated that as many as 150 million animals are used globally, every year.

### What happens to laboratory animals

Many people are opposed to animals suffering and dying in experiments for trivial products such as beauty cosmetics, but are less sure about research labelled as 'medical'. This is understandable, for we all want to see medical progress.

But are experiments on animals really necessary for progress? We think not. In fact the majority of medical research does not use animals, and where animals are used each species responds differently to drugs and chemicals – therefore results from animal tests are unreliable as a means of predicting likely effects in humans.

# Text B

### The Benefits of Animals in Scientific Research

There is considerable concern about the use of animals in scientific research, and all too often it is easy to lose sight of the advantages that have been generated through this work with animals.

Behind the scare stories and myths there lies an ever growing number of successes and advances in the field of human medicine. For many years, humans have been benefited from the healthcare advances that animal based research has achieved.

For example, here is a list of the average number of operations performed in the UK in a year:

- 3,000,000 operations under general anaesthetic
- 90,000 cataract operations
- 60,000 joint replacements
- 13,000 coronary bypasses
- 10,000 pacemakers implanted
- 6,000 heart valve repairs or replacements
- 4,000 heart defects corrected
- 2,500 corneal transplants
- 2,000 kidney transplants
- 400 heart/lung transplants

None of these operations or the techniques used during them would have been possible without previous animal research. It is likely that many of us will come into contact with someone who has benefited from these advances. The contribution that animals have made to human wellbeing is immense.

Advances continue to be made. Key-hole surgery, organ transplantation, skin grafting and the latest research into the prevention of genetic diseases are all benefiting from animal research.

It is certain that any unnecessary reduction in the amount of research would have serious consequences for future research into human illness and wellbeing.

# The Number of Animals Used in Research

The number of animals involved in research is often used by Animal Rights protesters as an indicator of suffering. Clearly, this is an unrealistic argument as the total number does not reflect the condition of an individual animal. However, it is interesting to look at the facts behind the different figures to gain some perspective on animal testing.

Animals benefit man in many ways – clothing, food, science, medicine and entertainment. The scope of animal use is not a justification in itself but it helps to put animal research into perspective. For example, each year in the United States 5 billion animals are used in the food industry compared to the 18 million used in research – a ratio of 294:1. In the UK the RSPCA used to destroy an average of 1000 unwanted or sick animals every month. The figure in the USA was nearer to 1.2 million a month.

Therefore, while still large, the number of animals used in research is not excessive by comparison with the food industry or the numbers of destroyed pets.

It is also helpful to look at the types of animals involved. The common misconception is that dogs and monkeys are the main animals used. In fact dogs and monkeys account for a very small part of the total number of animals involved.

In the last 30 years the annual number of animals in scientific research has halved.

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