



Department of English - Entrance Examination Standards (IB)

The International Baccalaureate Entrance Examination will test prospective students on the following skills. Prospective students will be tested on their ability to:

1. **Understand the thought and feeling of literary pieces.**
2. **Comment meaningfully on writers' stylistic choices including**
 - Language
 - diction
 - sentence structure
 - syntax
 - punctuations
 - figures of speech
 - imagery
 - descriptive detail etc
 - use in other forms such as mass media
 - Literary devices
 - dramatic devices
 - poetic devices
 - use of literary devices in other forms
 - Structure/form
 - narrative structure
 - stanzaic form
 - rhyme structure





- Rhythm/Sound
 - alliteration
 - assonance
 - repetition
- Narrative Technique
- Other literary elements
 - setting
 - conflict
 - plot
 - characters
 - themes
 - tone
 - Atmosphere

3. Think and interpret critically

4. Use formal Language

Breadth of Study

Students should be familiar with dramatic, prosaic and poetic genres of literature as well as language and cultural contexts.

The examination will be based on an unseen piece.



ENTRANCE EXAMINATION WEIGHTING

One unseen piece (taken from either poetry or prose or other mediums) followed by questions that will test the skills above	100%
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