# Drama marking guide

External assessment

#### **Extended response (45 marks)**

#### Assessment objectives

This assessment instrument is used to determine student achievement in the following objectives:

- 1. demonstrate an understanding of the elements of drama and skills of critiquing
- 2. apply written literacy skills using relevant drama terminology and language conventions to communicate ideas and meaning
- 4. analyse how the elements of drama and conventions are used to create dramatic action and meaning
- 7. evaluate and justify the use of elements of drama and conventions to communicate dramatic meaning
- 8. synthesise and argue a position in response to recorded live dramatic action and meaning.

Note: Objectives 3, 5 and 6 are not assessed in this instrument.





## Purpose

This document is an External assessment marking guide (EAMG).

The EAMG:

- Provides a tool for calibrating external assessment markers to ensure reliability of results
- Indicates the correlation, for each question, between mark allocation and qualities at each level of the mark range
- Informs schools and students about how marks are matched to qualities in student responses.

## Mark allocation

Where a response does not meet any of the descriptors for a question or a criterion, a mark of '0' will be recorded. Where no response to a question has been made, a mark of 'N' will be recorded.

#### External assessment marking guide (EAMG)

Criterion: Explaining and analysing elements of drama (8 marks)

The response:	M	The response:	М
For one element of drama:	4	For the other element of drama:	4
identifies the element		identifies the element	
<ul> <li>explains the characteristics of the use of this element accurately and with detail</li> </ul>		• explains the characteristics of the use of this element accurately with detail	
<ul> <li>provides clear and detailed description of key moments to show how the element is manipulated to create dramatic action and meaning</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>provides clear and detailed description of key moments to show how the element is manipulated to create dramatic action and meaning</li> </ul>	
For one element of drama:	3	For the other element of drama:	3
<ul> <li>identifies the element</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>identifies the element</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>explains the characteristics of the use of this element accurately</li> </ul>		explains the characteristics of the use of this element accurately	
<ul> <li>clearly describes key moments to show how the element is manipulated to create dramatic action and meaning</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>clearly describes key moments to show how the element is manipulated to create dramatic action and meaning</li> </ul>	
For one element of drama:	2	For the other element of drama:	2
<ul> <li>identifies the element</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>identifies the element</li> </ul>	
• explains the characteristics of the use of this element but may include some inaccuracies		• explains the characteristics of the use of this element but may include some inaccuracies	
<ul> <li>describes a moment to show how the element is manipulated to create dramatic action and meaning</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>describes a moment to show how the element is manipulated to create dramatic action and meaning</li> </ul>	
For one element of drama:	1	For the other element of drama:	1
<ul> <li>identifies the element</li> </ul>		identifies the element	
describes a moment		describes a moment	
<ul> <li>does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.</li> </ul>	0	<ul> <li>does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.</li> </ul>	0

Criterion: Analysing conventions of drama (4 marks)

The response:	M
<ul> <li>identifies a key convention</li> <li>explains the characteristics of the use of this key convention accurately with detail</li> <li>provides a clear and detailed description of key moments to explain how the key convention is manipulated to create dramatic action and meaning</li> </ul>	4
<ul> <li>identifies a key convention</li> <li>explains the characteristics of the use of this key convention accurately</li> <li>clearly describes key moments to explain how the key convention is manipulated to create dramatic action and meaning</li> </ul>	3
<ul> <li>identifies a key convention</li> <li>explains the characteristics of the use of this key convention but may include some inaccuracies</li> <li>describes a moment to explain how the key convention is manipulated to create dramatic action and meaning</li> </ul>	2
identifies a convention	1
does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

Criterion: Analysing relationships (8 marks)

The response:	М	The response:	М
<ul> <li>For one element of drama:</li> <li>shows clear and valid interrelationships between the element of drama and the key convention in relation to the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li> </ul>	4	<ul> <li>For the other element of drama:</li> <li>shows clear and valid interrelationships between the element of drama and the key convention in relation to the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li> </ul>	4
<ul> <li>For one element of drama:</li> <li>shows interrelationships between the element of drama and the key convention in relation to the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li> </ul>	3	<ul> <li>For the other element of drama:</li> <li>shows interrelationships between the element of drama and the key convention in relation to the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li> </ul>	3

The response:	м	The response:	М
<ul> <li>For one element of drama:</li> <li>identifies connections between the element of drama and/or the key convention in relation to the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li> </ul>	2	<ul> <li>For the other element of drama:</li> <li>identifies connections between the element of drama and/or and the key convention in relation to the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li> </ul>	2
<ul> <li>For one element of drama:</li> <li>identifies a link between the element of drama and/or the key convention but may not recognise the meaning or concept</li> </ul>	1	<ul> <li>For the other element of drama:</li> <li>identifies a link between the element of drama and/or the key convention but may not recognise the meaning or concept</li> </ul>	1
<ul> <li>does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.</li> </ul>	0	<ul> <li>does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.</li> </ul>	0

Criterion: Synthesising and arguing a position (8 marks)

The response:	М	The response:	М
<ul> <li>For one element of drama:</li> <li>provides a sustained and convincing position throughout the response that reinforces connections between the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li> </ul>	4	<ul> <li>For the other element of drama:</li> <li>provides a sustained and convincing position throughout the response that reinforces connections between the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li> </ul>	4
<ul> <li>For one element of drama:</li> <li>provides a clear position throughout the response to make connections between the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li> </ul>	3	<ul> <li>For the other element of drama:</li> <li>provides a clear position throughout the response to make connections between the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li> </ul>	3
<ul><li>For one element of drama:</li><li>provides a position to argue in response to the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li></ul>	2	<ul><li>For the other element of drama:</li><li>provides a position to argue in response to the concept, question and unseen stimulus</li></ul>	2
<ul><li>For one element of drama:</li><li>provides observations about the production</li></ul>	1	For the other element of drama <ul> <li>provides observations about the production</li> </ul>	1

The response:	м	The response:	М
• does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0	<ul> <li>does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.</li> </ul>	0

Criterion: Evaluating and justifying the use of elements of drama (8 marks)

The response:	М	The response:	М
<ul> <li>For one element of drama:</li> <li>provides valid and convincing judgments on how effectively one element is manipulated to communicate the concept</li> <li>uses detailed and credible examples that support this judgment</li> </ul>	4	<ul> <li>For the other element of drama:</li> <li>provides valid and convincing judgments on how effectively one element is manipulated to communicate the concept</li> <li>uses detailed and credible examples that support this judgment</li> </ul>	4
<ul> <li>For one element of drama:</li> <li>provides a valid judgment on how effectively one element is manipulated to communicate the concept</li> <li>uses relevant examples that support this judgment</li> </ul>	3	<ul> <li>For the other element of drama:</li> <li>provides a valid judgment on how effectively one element is manipulated to communicate the concept</li> <li>uses relevant examples that support this judgment</li> </ul>	3
<ul><li>For one element of drama:</li><li>expresses a plausible opinion about the element</li><li>identifies an example</li></ul>	2	<ul><li>For the other element of drama:</li><li>expresses a plausible opinion about the element</li><li>identifies an example</li></ul>	2
For one element of drama: • identifies an example	1	For the other element of drama: • identifies an example	1
does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0	does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

Criterion: Evaluating and justifying the use of conventions (4 marks)

The response:	М
<ul> <li>provides valid and convincing judgments on how effectively a key convention is manipulated to communicate the concept</li> <li>uses detailed and credible examples that support this judgment</li> </ul>	4
<ul> <li>provides a valid judgment on how effectively a key convention is manipulated to communicate the concept</li> <li>uses relevant examples that support this judgment</li> </ul>	3
<ul> <li>expresses a plausible opinion about the convention</li> <li>identifies an example for the key convention</li> </ul>	2
identifies an example for the key convention	1
does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0

Criterion: Applying written literacy skills (5 marks)

The response:	M	The response:	М
<ul> <li>uses drama terminology that is accurate and relevant</li> </ul>	2	<ul> <li>communicates drama ideas and meaning in a sustained, organised and cohesive sequencing of information</li> <li>uses language conventions appropriately and with clarity</li> </ul>	3
uses drama terminology, allowing for some errors	1	<ul> <li>communicates drama ideas and meaning</li> <li>uses language conventions, allowing for some loss of clarity</li> </ul>	2
<ul> <li>does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.</li> </ul>	0	communicates drama ideas	1
		does not satisfy any of the descriptors above.	0