

Advice to schools for endorsement event 2

English & Literature Extension

English & Literature Extension — IA3 Extended response — Academic research paper (35%)

To ensure schools design a valid and accessible assessment instrument that aligns with the syllabus specifications (3.5.1), we have outlined a few useful tips for schools to consider before submitting the IA3 for endorsement. As you develop IA3, you should:

- ensure that the selected complex literary text/s are different from those selected for IA1 and IA2
- specify that students require at least two theories, or aspects of theories, to explore a close reading of the selected complex literary text/s
- specify that students develop a focus question that allows them to evaluate how effective these theoretical approaches have been in producing the close reading
- ensure that there is a clear link between the focus question and the analysis and evaluation of the texts and theoretical approaches to the response
- identify scaffolding strategies to demonstrate the teaching and learning of Unit 4: Exploration and evaluation, and the resources used by teacher and students
- identify the authentication strategies used by the school to manage the response length and correct referencing protocols
- provide checkpoints that reflect the duration of the assessment conditions, which is 10 weeks.