

King's Ely Year 9 Academic Scholarship

English Guidance

The Year 9 English Scholarship examination consists of two sections. Section A contains an extract (poetry or prose) with a short analysis essay and Section B is a writing question, which links to the theme or style of the extract in section A, in the form of a narrative extract.

Both sections tests students' higher level reading and writing skills as they head towards the final year of their preparation for GCSEs. Within the reading section, a high level candidate will demonstrate the ability to select, analyse, draw conclusions and make independent interpretations from a range of judiciously selected textual evidence.

Within the writing question, a good candidate will display elements of the skills examined in the reading extract, whilst the excellent writers will also show originality and flair.

Time allowed: 1 hour