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All questions are marked out of 25.

Assessment Objectives

The Assessment Objectives are evenly weighted across each question. The assessment objectives for the paper are:

- AO1 show detailed knowledge of the content of literary texts, supported by reference to the text
- AO2 understand the meanings of literary texts and their context, and explore texts beyond surface meaning to show deeper awareness of ideas and attitudes
- AO3 recognise and appreciate ways in which writers use language, structure, and form to create and shape meanings and effects
- **AO4** communicate a sensitive and informed personal response to literary texts.

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