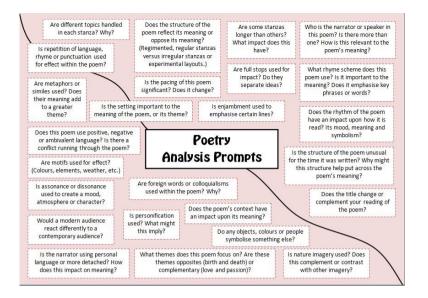


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Level Band	Q1 24 mark question	AO1 Use of comparison and quotations	AO2 Use of terminology and effect of techniques	Q2 8 mark question	AO2 Use of terminology and effect of techniques
6 Top	21-24	Critical, exploratory, conceptualised; Judicious, precise.	Judicious, analysed	7-8 Band 4 Top	Exploratory, convincing
5 High	17-21	Thoughtful, developed; Apt, integrated	Examined, effective		
4 Mid	13-16	Clear, explained; Effective, supportive	Clear, understanding	5-6 Band 3 Mid	Thoughtful, comparative
3 Low mid	9-12	Some explained; References to support, range	Explained, identified effects		
ి Low	5-8	Supported, relevant; Comments on references	Some references terminology, Identifies methods	3-4 Band 2 Low	Relevant, some comparison
l Bottom	1-4	Simple, relevant; Reference to relevant detail(s)	Possibly uses terminology, awareness of choices	1-2 Band 1 Bottom	Some links between text and reader
0	0	No work worthy of any marks			



PERSONIFICATION METAPHOR SIMILE ALLITERATED SOUND REPETITION CONTRAST ONOMATOPOEIA ASSONANCE	Look out for words that can have more than one meaning. What further ideas or images could they create?	Which specific emotion are you encouraged to feel as a result of the words used?
ldentify the specific techniques that have been used in the text. Consider what impact they have upon the tone?	Analysing LANGUAGE could be	Choose adjectives, adverbs, verbs and nouns to explode- how do these words suggest what the character or setting is like?
Consider the language a character uses in his or her speech. Is it timid? Authoritative? Apologetic? Something else? What might this reveal about their character?	Which words help you identify the tone or mood of the character? How do the words imply his or her feelings or attitude? What are the reasons why?	RHETORIC EMOTIVE LANGUAGE MODAL VERBS DIRECT ADDRESS PREPOSITIONS IMPERATIVE VERBS HYPERBOLE

Narrative viewpoint Repeated symbols Sentence structure and punctuation Opening and Closing Semantic field Rhythm Timeframe	How the sentence structures or specific punctuation reflect feelings or emotions within the text. How does it change or develop?	Are there groups of words that belong to a particular semantic field? What difference does this make to the atmosphere of the text?
Considering how the <u>narrative choice</u> enhances the meaning of the text overall. WHY do we hear the 'story' from that perspective?	Analysing STRUCTURE could be	Can you identify a rhythm to the text? Is it written in a particular style or form?
Analysing how a repeated symbol (motif), idea of theme runs through a whole text.	Looking at the opening and closing lines to see how they are connected. What impact do they have on the reader?	Is the timeline straightforward, or is there a flash back or flash forward? Does the event occur in the distant past, recent past or does it describe an ongoing event? Why would this matter?

## Analysing Language

Stop using Empty Phrases!

The writer uses language to emphasise This makes reader wa ead on. The la This creates age in the The writ uses a technique to an effect on the reader. The writer uses collective nouns.

# Start to Explain your Ideas!

The language creates a sense of... This writer uses...to imply/suggest/reinforce The tone of the word '...' indicates that... The phrase '...' creates the impression of...because... The writer's use of '...' emphasises the idea that... The repeated collective noun injects a...tone into the...



	Hard Frost by Andrew J Young
First Frost by Andrei Vosnesensky A girl is freezing in a telephone booth, huddled in her flimsy coat, her face stained by tears and smeared with lipstick.	Frost called to the water Halt And crusted the moist snow with sparkling salt; Brooks, their one bridges, stop, And icicles in long stalactites drop. And tench in water-holes Lurk under gluey glass like fish in bowls.
She breathes on her thin little fingers. Fingers like ice. Glass beads in her ears. She has to beat her way back alone down the icy street.	In the hard-rutted lane At every footstep breaks a brittle pane, And tinkling trees ice-bound, Changed into weeping willows, sweep the ground; Dead boughs take root in ponds And ferns on windows shoot their ghostly fronds.
First frost. A beginning of losses. The first frost of telephone phrases. It is the start of winter glittering on her cheek, the first frost of having been hurt.	But vainly the fierce frost Interns poor fish, ranks trees in an armed host, Hangs daggers from house-eaves And on the windows ferny ambush weaves; In the long war grown warmer The sun will strike him dead and strip his armour.
1. In 'First Frost' how does the poet present the speal	kers feelings towards love?

#### 24 marks

2. In both 'First Frost' and 'Hard Frost' the speakers describe the weather. What are the similarities and/or differences between the ways the poets present those feelings?

Last Lesson of the Afternoon by D H Lawrence	Mrs Tilscher's Class by Carol Ann Duffy	
When will the bell ring, and end this weariness?	In Mrs Tilscher's class	
How long have they tugged the leash, and strained apart,	You could travel up the Blue Nile	
My pack of unruly hounds! I cannot start	with your finger, tracing the route	
Them again on a quarry of knowledge they hate to hunt,	while Mrs Tilscher chanted the scenery.	
I can haul them and urge them no more.	"Tana. Ethiopia. Khartoum. Aswan."	
	That for an hour,	
No longer now can I endure the brunt	then a skittle of milk and the chalky Pyramids rubbed into dust.	
Of the books that lie out on the desks; a full threescore	A window opened with a long pole.	
Of several insults of blotted pages, and scrawl	The laugh of a bell swung by a running child.	
Of slovenly work that they have offered me.		
I am sick, and what on earth is the good of it all?	This was better than home. Enthralling books.	
What good to them or me, I cannot see!	The classroom glowed like a sweetshop.	
	Sugar paper. Coloured shapes. Brady and Hindley	
So, shall I take	faded, like the faint, uneasy smudge of a mistake.	
My last dear fuel of life to heap on my soul	Mrs Tilscher loved you. Some mornings, you found	
And kindle my will to a flame that shall consume	she'd left a gold star by your name.	
Their dross of indifference; and take the toll	The scent of a pencil slowly, carefully, shaved.	
Of their insults in punishment? — I will not! -	A xylophone's nonsense heard from another form.	
	Over the Easter term the inky tadpoles changed	
I will not waste my soul and my strength for this.	from commas into exclamation marks. Three frogs	
What do I care for all that they do amiss!	hopped in the playground, freed by a dunce	
What is the point of this teaching of mine, and of this	followed by a line of kids, jumping and croaking	
Learning of theirs? It all goes down the same abyss.	away from the lunch queue. A rough boy	
	told you how you were born. You kicked him, but stared	
What does it matter to me, if they can write	at your parents, appalled, when you got back	
A description of a dog, or if they can't?	home	
What is the point? To us both, it is all my aunt!		
And yet I'm supposed to care, with all my might.	That feverish July, the air tasted of electricity.	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	A tangible alarm made you always untidy, hot, fractious under the heavy, sexy sky. You asked her	
I do not, and will not; they won't and they don't; and that's all!	how you were born and Mrs Tilscher smiled	
shall keep my strength for myself; they can keep theirs as well.	then turned away. Reports were handed out.	
Why should we beat our heads against the wall	You ran through the gates, impatient to be grown	
Of each other? I shall sit and wait for the bell.	the sky split open into a thunderstorm.	

In 'Mrs Tilcher's Class' how does the poet present the speakers feelings towards school?
 24 marks

2. In both 'Last Lesson' and 'Mrs Tilcher's Class' the speakers describe their time at school. What are the similarities and/ or differences between the ways the poets present those feelings?

Ex-miner by Adrian Burke	Abandoned Farmhouse By Ted Kooser
The man next door to me was a miner Until the dust filled his lungs like coal-sacks; Now he's good for nothing so he says.	He was a big man, says the size of his shoes on a pile of broken dishes by the house; a tall man too, says the length of the bed in an upstairs room; and a good, God-fearing man, says the Bible with a broken back
Now he walks in slippers and leans on walls, And eats the clean air while his eyes fix on Reaching the bottom of his garden.	on the floor below the window, dusty with sun; but not a man for farming, say the fields cluttered with boulders and the leaky barn.
His wife hides the Woodbines* 'for his own good', The pub's half-a-day's walk away for him And it's cruel crawling to the privy**.	A woman lived with him, says the bedroom wall papered with lilacs and the kitchen shelves covered with oilcloth, and they had a child, says the sandbox made from a tractor tire. Money was scarce, say the jars of plum preserves
So few pleasures remain to him That he takes a grim-sour joy in rudeness To neighbours: he savours the honorary title	and canned tomatoes sealed in the cellar hole. And the winters cold, say the rags in the window frames. It was lonely here, says the narrow country road.
Of old misery-guts like a vintage wine. His other treat's to stand upright each day And not to bang his head against the sky.	Something went wrong, says the empty house in the weed-choked yard. Stones in the fields say he was not a farmer; the still-sealed jars in the cellar say she left in a nervous haste. And the child? Its toys are strewn in the yard
*Woodbines = brand of cigarettes **privy = outside toilet	like branches after a storm—a rubber cow, a rusty tractor with a broken plow, a doll in overalls. Something went wrong, they say.

1. In 'Ex-miner' how does the poet present the speakers feelings towards identity?

24 marks

2. In both 'Ex-miner' and 'Abandoned Farmhouse' the speakers describe people who are not well known to them. What are the similarities and/or differences between the ways the poets present those feelings about the people they describe?

The Explosion By Philip Larkin	
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On the day of the explosion	Belfast Confetti by Ciaran Carson
Shadows pointed towards the pithead:	Denasi Cometti by Claran Carson
In thesun the slagheap slept.	
	Suddenly as the riot squad moved in, it was raining exclamation
Down the lane came men in pitboots Coughing oath-edged talk and pipe-smoke	marks,
Shouldering off the freshened silence.	Nuts, bolts, nails, car keys. A fount of broken type.
chouldening on the resilence.	And the explosion
One chased after rabbits; lost them;	
Came back with a nest of lark's eggs;	Itself – an asterisk on the map. This hyphenated line, a burst of
Showed them; lodged them in the grasses.	rapid fire
	I was trying to complete a sentence in my head, but it kept
So they passed in beards and moleskins Fathers brothers nicknames laughter	stuttering,
Through the tall gates standing open.	All the alleyways and side-streets blocked with stops and colons.
rinough the tail gates standing open.	
At noon there came a tremor; cows	I know this labyrinth so well – Balaclava, Raglan, Inkerman,
Stopped chewing for a second; sun	Odessa Street –
Scarfed as in a heat-haze dimmed.	
The dead go on before up they	Why can't I escape? Every move is punctuated.
The dead go on before us they Are sitting in God's house in comfort	Crimea Street. Dead end again.
We shall see them face to face—	A Saracen, Kremlin-2 mesh. Makrolon face-shields.
	Walkie-talkies. What is
plain as lettering in the chapels	My name? Where am I coming from? Where am I
It was said and for a second	going? A fusillade of question-marks.
Wives saw men of the explosion	yonny : A lusinade of question-marks.
Larger than in life they managed—	
Gold as on a coin or walking	Makrolon = toughened plastic
Somehow from the sun towards them	Fusillade = a series of shots fired rapidly one after another
One showing the eggs unbroken.	

In 'Belfast Confetti' how does the poet present the speakers feelings towards the explosion?
 24 marks

2. In both 'Belfast Confetti' and 'The Explosion' the speakers describe the impact an explosion has upon the community it happens to. What are the similarities and/or differences between the ways the poets present those feelings about their impact?

Love is a Losing Game by A Winehouse	
For you I was the flame Love is a losing game Five story fire as you came Love is losing game	A Vow by Wendy Cope.
One I wished, I never played Oh, what a mess we made And now the final frame Love is a losing game	I cannot promise never to be angry; I cannot promise always to be kind. You know what you are taking on, my darling –
Played out by the band Love is a losing hand More than I could stand Love is a losing hand	It's only at the start that love is blind. And yet I'm still the one you want to be with
Self-professed profound Till the chips were down Know you're a gambling man Love is a losing hand	And you're the one for me – of that I'm sure. You are my closest friend, my favorite person, The lover and the home I've waited for.
Though I battled blind Love is a fate resigned Memories mar my mind Love is a fate resigned	I cannot promise that I will deserve you From this day on. I hope to pass that test. I love you and I want to make you happy.
Over futile odds And laughed at by the gods And now the final frame Love is a losing game	I promise I will do my very best.

1. In 'Love is a Losing Game' how does the poet present the speakers feelings towards love? 24 marks

In both 'Love is a Losing Game' and 'A Vow' the speakers describe the conflicted feelings that come with love. What are the similarities and/or differences between the ways the poets present those feelings about their impact?
 8 marks

Kid by Simon Armitage	Stanley by Lorraine Mariner
Batman, big shot, when you gave the order to grow up, then let me loose to wander leeward, freely through the wild blue yonder as you liked to say, or ditched me, rather, in the gutter well, I turned the corner. Now I've scotched that 'he was like a father to me' rumour, sacked it, blown the cover on that 'he was like an elder brother' story, let the cat out on that caper	Yesterday evening I finished with my imaginary boyfriend. He knew what I was going to say before I said it which was top of my list of reasons why we should end it.
with the married woman, how you took her downtown on expenses in the motor. Holy robin-redbreast-nest-egg-shocker! Holy roll-me-over-in the-clover, I'm not playing ball boy any longer Batman, now I've doffed that off-the-shoulder Sherwood-Forest-green and scarlet number for a pair of jeans and crew-neck jumper;	My other reasons were as follows: he always does exactly what I tell him; nothing in our relationship has ever surprised me; he has no second name.
now I'm taller, harder, stronger, older. Batman, it makes a marvellous picture: you without a shadow, stewing over chicken giblets in the pressure cooker, next to nothing in the walk-in larder, punching the palm of your hand all winter, you baby, now I'm the real boy wonder.	He took it very well all things considered. He told me I was to think of him as a friend and if I ever need him I know where he is.

In 'Kid' how does the poet present the speakers feelings towards being let down by his father?
 24 marks

2. In both 'Kid' and 'Stanley' the speakers describe the way our expectations are not met in reality. What are the similarities and/or differences between the ways the poets present those feelings about the people who don't live up to their expectations?

Names By Wendy Cope She was Eliza for a few weeks when she was a baby – Eliza Lily. Soon it changed to Lil. Later she was Miss Steward in the baker's shop And then 'my love', 'my darling', Mother. Widowed at thirty, she went back to work As Mrs Hand. Her daughter grew up, Married and gave birth. Now she was Nanna. 'Everybody Calls me Nanna,' she would say to visitors. And so they did – friends, tradesmen, the doctor. In the geriatric ward They used the patients' Christian names. 'Lil,' we said, 'or Nanna,' But it wasn't in her file And for those last bewildered weeks She was Eliza once again.	<ul> <li>What I Regret By Nina Cassian</li> <li> never having heard the voice of the Dodo bird</li> <li> never having smelled the Japanese cherry trees</li> <li> never having punished the lovers and friends that deserted me</li> <li> never having asked for honours that I deserved</li> <li> never having composed a Mozart sonata</li> <li> never having realised that I'd live long enough to regret all the above</li> <li> and much, much more</li> </ul>		

24 marks

2. In both 'Names' and 'What I Regret' the speakers describe feelings about growing old. What are the similarities and/or differences between the ways the poets present those feelings?

Band Four	Band Five	Band Six
In the poem, 'Names' the poet keeps quite an informal tone when describing Eliza, which could suggest she feels quite fond of her. "was a baby- / Eliza Lily" the dash makes it sound as if she is correcting herself, or chatting to someone. This implies a closeness between the persona and Eliza, as if she is speaking about someone special to her.	Throughout the entire poem, the poet gives the persona a level of detachment from the story, the entire poem is almost devoid of emotion, apart from the final stanza where the persona describes Eliza's final time alive as "final bewildered weeks". In the poem, 'Names' the poet keeps quite an informal tone when describing Eliza, which could suggest she feels quite fond of her. "was a baby- / Eliza Lily" the dash makes it sound as if she is correcting herself, or chatting to someone. This implies a closeness between the persona and Eliza, as if she is speaking about someone special to her.	In the opening stanzas, the tone adopted by the persona is one of detachment. At no point does the persona explicitly state the relationship between them. There are no adjectives or adverbs used, with one exception in the final stanza. The use of the pronoun "she" creates a distance between the persona and Eliza, and by using this as the first word of the entire poem, it emphasise the way in which it is almost devoid of emotion- most particularly noticeable when describing the death of her husband, "widowed at thirty" is quite abrupt and factual for something so tragic. This absence of sentimentality amplifies the shift in the final stanza, where the persona describes Eliza's final time alive as "final bewildered weeks". The use of the adjective "bewildered" creates a sense of sadness and tragedy, expressing the way the persona is mourning Eliza, and the awfulness that the confusion of being called the 'wrong' name would create.

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The poem Eliza explores the complicated tie between given names, chosen names, and the names we are called by others. Using the shifting naming of Eliza, the poet highlights how important names are, and the significance of whether you choose the name that is used for you. The persona's feelings towards Eliza is evident in the tone, language and structure of the poem.

Until the final stanza, the persona adopts a factual and detached tone to describe 'Eliza'. In the opening stanzas, the tone adopted by the persona is one of detachment. At no point does the persona explicitly state the relationship between them. There are no adjectives or adverbs used, with the one exception in the final stanza. The repeated use of the pronoun "she" creates a distance between the persona and Eliza, and by using this as the first word of the entire poem, it emphasises the way in which it is almost devoid of emotion-most particularly noticeable when describing the death of her husband, "widowed at thirty" is quite abrupt and factual for something so tragic. This absence of sentimentality amplifies the shift in the final stanza, where the persona describes Eliza's final time alive as "final bewildered weeks". The use of the adjective "bewildered" creates a sense of sadness and tragedy, expressing the way the persona is mourning Eliza, and the awfulness that the confusion of being called the 'wrong' name would create. By not expressing distress at the death of Eliza's husband, but at the incorrect use of her forename, implies that this was a very distressing thing to happen to her.

Each name signifies a different stage in Eliza's life, when she is addressed as "'my love," and "'my darling" the poet uses speech marks to show this is reported speech, but puts "Mother." on its own. This could suggest that the persona is speaking about her own mother, or it could be that the persona feels this was the most important one, it wasn't what people called her, it was what she was. The repetition of "my" implies that these people attempted to take ownership of Eliza, putting her existence in relation to their own perspective. Both "love" and "darling" are used as diminutives, and contrast to "mother" which simultaneously implies respectability and femininity. From this we can infer that to the persona, Eliza's motherhood defined her above all else.

When the persona lists the people who call Eliza "Nana", she says "doctor" last. The list becomes progressively more specific- "friends, tradesman, the Doctor", this suggests that it she is becoming more reliant upon other people as she is getting older. Additionally, the use of the definitive "the doctor" conveys a sense of formality, and that it is serious that she has to see a doctor. The name Nana is one that you would typically expect to just be used by grandchildren, the fact that Eliza requested that everyone called her Nana implies that she was almost an ultra feminine person, who treated everyone she met as if they were in her care. This creates an extra layer of tragedy that it is now she who needs the care from others.

The use of circular narrative to begin and end the poem with Eliza being born and then dying using her original name could be seen as symbolic to the universal truth that we start and end our lives with nothing. It also draws a parallel between the helplessness of a baby, to the helplessness of an old person who is unable to even correct the people caring for her in their misuse of her name. By making this link, the persona is conveys her disappointment in the care the elderly receive, and the manner in which they are treated.

Overall, the persona feels sympathy for Eliza, and depicts her as a woman who cared for others, and yet was unable to have the care dignity of the correct name in the weeks leading up to her death. Eliza could be seen as a symbol for all elderly people, and the use of the incorrect name a metaphor for the way that in old age, the elderly are treated without the respect they deserve or have opted for.

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How many stanzas? Rhyme? Regular/irregular? Patterns Motifs Symbols Techniques used: Simile Metaphor Triple Alliteration Anaphora Assonance Allusion Sensory description Oxymoron	Text By Carol Ann Duffy I tend the mobile now like an injured bird We text, text, text our significant words. I re-read your first, your second, your third, look for your small xx, feeling absurd. The codes we send arrive with a broken chord. I try to picture your hands, their image is blurred. Nothing my thumbs press will ever be heard.	Hygge if true by Brian Bilston These are the hyggelige days we live for, dark afternoons brightened by simple things; pumpkin soup bubbling on the hob, logs crackl – sorry, my phone just pinged. Today we crochet socks. We swap knitting patterns and tales of meandering pine forest walks and the frail beauty of a nightingale's song, as the scent of fresh rosemary clings – I think the wi-fi has just gone down – to our fingers. We shall bathe ourselves in hygge's warmth; it cosies, it surrounds, and wraps our friendships like a blanket. The soup is ready upon the aga. I hope to heaven they will all leave soon. I hear the call of Candy Crush Saga.	Techniques used: Simile Metaphor Triple Alliteration Anaphora Assonance Allusion Sensory description Oxymoron How many stanzas? Rhyme? Regular/irregular? Patterns Motifs Symbols
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### Find contrasting/complementing links in the feelings, images or experiences.

Structure: perspective, organisation of stanzas, rhyme, shift in focus from beginning to end, tense, enjambment etc Language: simile, metaphor, alliteration, image, allusions, imagery, use of definitive,

Love Is a Losing Game by Amy Winehouse	Valentine by Carol Ann Duffy	
For you I was the flame Love is a losing game	Not a red rose or a satin heart.	
Five story fire as you came	l give you an onion.	
Love is losing game	It is a moon wrapped in brown paper. It promises light	
One I wished, I never played	like the careful undressing of love.	
Oh, what a mess we made		
And now the final frame	Here.	
Love is a losing game	It will blind you with tears	
	like a lover.	
Played out by the band	It will make your reflection	
Love is a losing hand	a wobbling photo of grief.	
More than I could stand		
Love is a losing hand	I am trying to be truthful.	
Self-professed profound	Not a cute card or a kissogram.	
Till the chips were down		
Know you're a gambling man	l give you an onion.	
Love is a losing hand	Its fierce kiss will stay on your lips,	
	possessive and faithful	
Though I battled blind	as we are,	
Love is a fate resigned	for as long as we are.	
Memories mar my mind		
Love is a fate resigned	Take it.	
Over futile edde	Its platinum loops shrink to a wedding ring	1,
Over futile odds	if you like. Lethal.	
And laughed at by the gods And now the final frame		
	Its scent will cling to your fingers,	
Love is a losing game	cling to your knife.	

#### Consider how feelings of love are presented in this poem.

Highlight all references to gambling: what does this suggest about her feelings towards love?
 Think about the use of alliteration and plosives: what tone does this create, and what feeling does it convey?
 Search for a pattern in the rhyme scheme: how does the rhyme scheme mirror the complexity of the persona's feelings?

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Self-professed profound Till the chips were down Know you're a gambling man Love is a losing hand

Though I battled blind Love is a fate resigned Memories mar my mind Love is a fate resigned

Over futile odds And laughed at by the gods And now the final frame Love is a losing game

#### 1. Find three examples of figurative language

2. Decode the writer's meaning

3. What does the figurative language tell us about how the persona of the song feel about the subject they're talking about?

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Over futile odds And laughed at by the gods And now the final frame Love is a losing game 1. "Love is a losing hand" "futile odds" "laughed at by the gods"

2. That love always 'loses' and you'll be hurt by the ones you love. 'Futile' implies you never had a chance to be happy. Destiny is never in your favour- star crossed lovers, the blame for the failure of your love isn't within yourselves, but from a higher power (like Romeo and Juliet and other tragic lovers).

3. That love is a painful thing that only ever ends in unhappiness, that it is a game you will always lose, all the gambling imagery suggests that it is risky and foolish, and that people in love will always be hurt by the ones they love. That your destiny is not decided by you, everything is a matter of luck and is 'foretold' and we merely suffer at the hands of fate.

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Power Up		You've been shocked by what you've read?	<u>Re-evaluate</u> <u>who has your</u> sympathy	<u>Doubt the</u> <u>reliability of</u> <u>the narrator</u>	Question the motives of the characters
It makes you want to read on	What do you mean?		Illustrates the feelings of the characters/the characters feelings towards an object/place/ person	<u>Language to</u> <u>create motif</u> <u>or pattern</u>	<u>Allows a better</u> <u>understanding of</u> <u>the atmosphere</u> <u>the writer is</u> <u>attempting to</u> <u>create.</u>
		The organisation or context is interesting?		<u>Consider the</u> <u>event from the</u> <u>historical</u> <u>context it was</u> <u>written in</u>	<u>Consider the</u> <u>event from the</u> <u>social status of</u> <u>the character</u> <u>who is</u> <u>narrating/</u> <u>speaking.</u>