

## How to study for your Year 11 English Extension One Half-Yearly Exam

Your Year 11 Half Yearly Exam is going to consist of one paper with two two papers, the first an Area of Study paper on the theme of Survival. There will be a short answer section with unseen texts, an Imaginative response, and an Extended Response all on the topic of Survival. You will need to review your notes from the text you studied in second term, either The Book Thief, Night or The Catcher in the Rye, as well as ONE RELATED TEXT OF YOUR OWN CHOOSING. Smart students will know key ideas, quotes and techniques for each of these texts, and will be able to talk about how each text connects to the topic of Survival. You will have two hours to complete your paper, as well as ten minutes reading time.

The second paper will be a Modules paper with two different questions relating to your study of Module B. This is your Close Study of poetry if you do Standard, (Dawe or Slessor) or your Comparative Study if you do Advanced, (Othello and O). You should answer both questions, and ideally should respond to each question with a different overall focus. Anyone who merely dumps ideas from their last assessment task will be doing themselves a disservice. Smart students will know quotes and techniques for all of their texts. YOU DO NOT NEED A RELATED TEXT FOR THIS PAPER. You will have ninety minutes to complete your paper, as well as five minutes reading time.

If you ask them VERY nicely, your teachers may be able to provide you with practice questions for each paper.

