

National Qualifications 2016

X724/76/21

English Reading for Understanding, Analysis and Evaluation — Questions

THURSDAY, 5 MAY 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Total marks — 30

Attempt ALL questions.

Write your answers clearly in the answer booklet provided. In the answer booklet, you must clearly identify the question number you are attempting.

Use **blue** or **black** ink.

Before leaving the examination room you must give your answer booklet to the Invigilator; if you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.





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1. Read	l lines	1–5.
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Analyse **two** ways in which the writer attempts to engage the reader's interest in the opening paragraph.

- **2.** Read lines 6–23.
 - (a) By referring to **either** the writer's viewpoint **or** to scientific research, explain why some people think teenagers should not be allowed to vote. Use your own words as far as possible in your answer.
 - (b) By referring to **at least two** examples, analyse how language is used to suggest that young people are not capable of voting.
- 3. Read lines 24–30.

Explain how the writer uses the example of Malala Yousafzai to develop her argument.

4. Read lines 31–42.

By referring to both word choice **and** sentence structure, analyse how the writer creates a negative impression of adults.

5. Read lines 43–48.

Explain why those who emphasise "the negative effects of social media and modern technology . . . may have got it all wrong". Use your own words in your answer.

6. Read lines 49–55.

By referring to **at least two** examples, analyse how the writer uses language to emphasise the positive contribution which teenage voters could make.

7. Read lines 56–67.

By referring to both tone **and** use of contrast, analyse how the writer emphasises her support of teenagers being allowed to vote.

Question on both passages

8. Look at both passages.

The writers disagree about whether or not 16 and 17-year-olds should be allowed to vote.

Identify **three** key areas on which they disagree. You should support the points by referring to important ideas in both passages.

You may answer this question in continuous prose or in a series of developed bullet points.

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