

## Preparing for the English mock – Language Paper 2

### How I prepare...

| Section a – reading skills  | Section b – writing skills  |
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| Use my 'raising attainment' booklet to make notes on how to answer the question. Learn this so I know which AOs to hit<br><a href="http://www.bentonpark.org.uk/revision-tips/80.html">http://www.bentonpark.org.uk/revision-tips/80.html</a> | Use my 'raising attainment' booklet to make notes on how to answer the question. Learn this so I know which AOs to hit<br><a href="http://www.bentonpark.org.uk/revision-tips/80.html">http://www.bentonpark.org.uk/revision-tips/80.html</a>   |
| Make new revision notes/cards from the notes in my exercise book  | Make new revision notes/cards from the notes in my exercise book  |
| Complete a 'revision hour' clock (using a segment for 'what to expect', 'how to answer the question' and 'how long/how much to write' for each question 1-4)  | Complete a 'revision hour' clock (using 2 segments for each of the TVCOPS – techniques, vocabulary, connectives and cohesion, openings, punctuation and sentence structures)  |
| Watch and take notes on Mr Bruff's online videos<br><a href="https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLqGFsWf-P-cAltmXkEvJXCxqT-ZzFqAN">https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLqGFsWf-P-cAltmXkEvJXCxqT-ZzFqAN</a>                             | Watch and take notes on Mr Bruff's online videos<br><a href="https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLqGFsWf-P-cAltmXkEvJXCxqT-ZzFqAN">https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLqGFsWf-P-cAltmXkEvJXCxqT-ZzFqAN</a>   |
| Re-write an exam answer for questions 2-4 and mark it against the mark scheme   | Re-write an old exam/homework question 5 and mark it against the mark scheme  |
| Complete a section a from the possible questions and mark against the mark scheme   | Complete a section b from the possible questions and mark against the mark scheme   |
| Make a list of comparison connectives and learn them  | Use my book/spelling log to identify my 10 most common spelling errors and learn them. Get someone to test me.  |
| Find three language features a broadsheet newspaper editorial and 'explode' each quotation<br><a href="https://www.theguardian.com/uk/commentisfree">https://www.theguardian.com/uk/commentisfree</a>   | Create a word bank of 30 sophisticated words using a dictionary/thesaurus that could be used to persuade or argue.  |
| Find two newspaper articles on the same topic and label similarities and differences in their language and structure  | Create a word bank of impressive connectives to link arguments and build points (avoiding simple ones like 'firstly', 'secondly', 'lastly' etc)   |
| Write a question 1 for the first 6 lines of any broadsheet editorial you can find (true/false statements)<br><a href="https://www.theguardian.com/uk/commentisfree">https://www.theguardian.com/uk/commentisfree</a>                          | Go onto the Debating Matters website:<br><a href="http://www.debatingmatters.com/topicguides/topicguide_atoz/">http://www.debatingmatters.com/topicguides/topicguide_atoz/</a><br>Read articles on and create a mindmap, outlining your own opinion on one of the topics here and 5 different arguments you could give to support this. |
| Write out a list of language and structural techniques writers could use in their non-fiction writing and learn them  | Write 5 engaging opening sentences for a persuasive piece and learn them  |
| Learn the key terms for this exam and how to spell them – ask someone to test me  | Create a mindmap of language and structural features I must use in my persuasive/argumentative writing and learn them   |
| Read a broadsheet newspaper article and summarise what it is saying in 5 bullet points.<br><a href="https://www.theguardian.com/uk/commentisfree">https://www.theguardian.com/uk/commentisfree</a>  | Complete the activities on punctuation on the BBC Skillswise website <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/topic/punctuation">http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/topic/punctuation</a>  |
| Work your way through the texts and tasks in the AQA Paper 2 support booklet<br><a href="http://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/english/AQA-87002-RSB.PDF">http://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/english/AQA-87002-RSB.PDF</a>                 | Complete the activities on sentence structures on the BBC Skillswise website<br><a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/topic/sentence-structure">http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/topic/sentence-structure</a>   |
|   | Revise and test yourself on argumentative writing on the BBC Bitesize website<br><a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/english/writing/">http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/english/writing/</a>  |

Mistakes I won't make again (look back at ALL of your previous Language papers/questions and the challenges you have been given).

