Higher School Certificate

Draft Performance Bands

English Extension 1

The draft performance bands shown on the following page represent student performance in bands of achievement. They illustrate the typical performance of students in the English Extension 1 HSC course.

Each band contains descriptions of student achievement of the course outcomes. The scales will continue to be refined to include information from performance in the new HSC courses and the outcomes assessed internally.
The typical performance in this band:

**Band E4**
- Demonstrates insightful understanding and sophisticated evaluation of the concepts and values in texts and the ways in which these are expressed
- Displays highly developed ability to analyse and evaluate the nature of texts and the relationships between them, and the different ways in which texts are valued
- Integrates independent investigation with the student’s own reflection on both process and product to develop insightful conclusions
- Composes complex extended texts, imaginatively, interpretively and critically with a high level of expertise
- Demonstrates outstanding control of language to express complex ideas with precision in a form and style appropriate to purpose, audience and context

**Band E3**
- Demonstrates clear understanding and thoughtful evaluation of the concepts and values in texts and the ways in which these are expressed
- Displays well developed ability to analyse and evaluate texts and the relationships between them, and the different ways in which texts are valued
- Integrates independent investigation with the student’s own reflection on both process and product to develop perceptive conclusions
- Composes extended texts, imaginatively, interpretively and critically with substantial expertise
- Demonstrates skilful control of language to express complex ideas with clarity in a form and style appropriate to purpose, audience and context

**Band E2**
- Demonstrates sound understanding and some evaluation of the concepts and values in texts and the ways in which these are expressed
- Displays developed ability to analyse and evaluate texts and the relationships between them, and the different ways in which texts are valued
- Integrates independent investigation with the student’s own reflection on both process and product to develop informed conclusions
- Composes extended texts, imaginatively, interpretively and critically with competence
- Demonstrates confident control of language to express complex ideas in a form and style appropriate to purpose, audience and context

**Band E1**