

Year Eleven Christmas Controlled Assessment Task
(15% GCSE English Language)

Choose ONE task from the following:

Producing a Creative Text-Responding to a given brief:

1. The web host of a creative writing website approaches you to submit some writing for it. This month's theme is '*Conflict*.' You have complete freedom in your choice of form. Write your piece for the website.
2. A national project-C21st IRL-wishes to collect from young people writing which reflects life in Ireland in the 21st century. Your writing should focus on aspects of young people's lives which you feel are important. You can choose any form of writing, e.g., journalism or narrative.

OR

Moving Images-Writing based on moving images:

3. A newspaper invites young people to write articles about television programmes they either love or loathe. Write the piece you would send to the newspaper.

WILF:

- Communicate clearly, effectively and imaginatively
- Select appropriate vocabulary suited to audience and purpose: **For example:** Short snappy sentences/Repetition for effect and emphasis/Emotive language/ Exaggeration/Rhetorical Questions/The use of 'we' or 'you' in order to address the reader and involve them in what you are saying/Use of facts and opinions/Anecdotal Evidence-personal stories to convince the reader about your point of view
- Organise work in paragraphs, full sentences and appropriate structural features with accurate punctuation and spelling
- **1/3** of your **overall mark** will be awarded for your clarity and accuracy in spelling and punctuation
- 600-1000 words maximum

You may:

- Pick a topic of your choice, ensuring it is appropriate to audience and purpose
- PLAN and DRAFT your piece as preparation for your exam
- Take brief notes into the exam
- These notes will be checked and submitted with your final piece
- Your notes should **be brief** and not include detailed planning grids or a pre-prepared draft of the question