

Assessment outline—HL

First examinations 2015

Assessment component	Weighting
External assessment	70%
Paper 1 (1 hour 30 minutes): Receptive skills Text-handling exercises on five written texts, based on the core.	25%
Paper 2 (1 hour 30 minutes): Written productive skills Two compulsory writing exercises. Section A: One task of 250–400 words, based on the options, to be selected from a choice of five. Section B: Response of 150–250 words to a stimulus text, based on the core.	25%
Written assignment: Receptive and written productive skills Creative writing of 500–600 words plus a 150–250 word rationale, based on one or both of the literary texts read.	20%
Internal assessment Internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB.	30%
Individual oral (8–10 minutes) Based on the options: 15 minutes' preparation time and a 10 minute (maximum) presentation and discussion with the teacher.	20%
Interactive oral activity Based on the core: Three classroom activities assessed by the teacher.	10%