

Assessment objectives

There are four assessment objectives at SL and at HL for the **language A: language and literature** course.

1. Knowledge and understanding
 - Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of a range of texts
 - Demonstrate an understanding of the use of language, structure, technique and style
 - Demonstrate a critical understanding of the various ways in which the reader constructs meaning and of how context influences this constructed meaning
 - Demonstrate an understanding of how different perspectives influence the reading of a text
2. Application and analysis
 - Demonstrate an ability to choose a text type appropriate to the purpose required
 - Demonstrate an ability to use terminology relevant to the various text types studied
 - Demonstrate an ability to analyse the effects of language, structure, technique and style on the reader
 - Demonstrate an awareness of the ways in which the production and reception of texts contribute to their meanings
 - Demonstrate an ability to substantiate and justify ideas with relevant examples
3. Synthesis and evaluation
 - Demonstrate an ability to compare and contrast the formal elements, content and context of texts
 - Discuss the different ways in which language and image may be used in a range of texts
 - Demonstrate an ability to evaluate conflicting viewpoints within and about a text
 - **At HL only:** Produce a critical response evaluating some aspects of text, context and meaning
4. Selection and use of appropriate presentation and language skills
 - Demonstrate an ability to express ideas clearly and with fluency in both written and oral communication
 - Demonstrate an ability to use the oral and written forms of the language, in a range of styles, registers and situations
 - Demonstrate an ability to discuss and analyse texts in a focused and logical manner
 - **At HL only:** Demonstrate an ability to write a balanced, comparative analysis