

INTERNATIONAL GCSE ENGLISH LITERATURE

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Command words

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INTRODUCTION

Command words are the words and phrases used in exams and other assessment tasks that tell students how they should answer the question. The following command words list contains words and their meanings that are relevant to this subject:

Describe

Set out characteristics.

Explain

Set out purposes or reasons.

Explore

Investigate without preconceptions about the outcome.

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