

How to approach a literary text

- 1- General information and plot of the WORK**
- 2- State sources, if any (mainly for Shakespeare)**
- 3- Main points of the PASSAGE**
- 4- Set the passage in context (which part of the work it is, general features of the historical period present in the passage ...)**
- 5- Main themes**
- 6- Language, symbols, metaphors ...**

During the oral test you may be requested to:

- 1- Read some lines from a passage**
- 2- Explain them in your words**
- 3- Make a general comment with reference to the whole work**
- 4- Find out the major themes present in the passage**
- 5- Compare the passage with other passages from the same or other authors.**