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Introduction

The main aim of this booklet is to exemplify standards for those teaching Cambridge International A Level French (9716), and to show how different levels of candidates' performance (high, middle and low) relate to the subject's curriculum and assessment objectives.

In this booklet candidate responses are derived from scripts of candidates from June 2017 to exemplify a range of answers. Candidates are asked to answer three questions each on a different text. Exemplar answers are provided for four of the most commonly answered questions.

For each question, the response is annotated with clear explanation of where and why marks were awarded or omitted. This is followed by examiner comments on how the answer could have been improved. In this way, it is possible for you to understand what candidates have done to gain their marks and what they could do to improve their answers. At the end of the booklet, there is a list of common mistakes candidates made in their answers for each question.

This document provides illustrative examples of candidate work with examiner commentary. These help teachers to assess the standard required to achieve marks beyond the guidance of the mark scheme. Therefore, in some circumstances, such as where exact answers are required, there will not be much comment.

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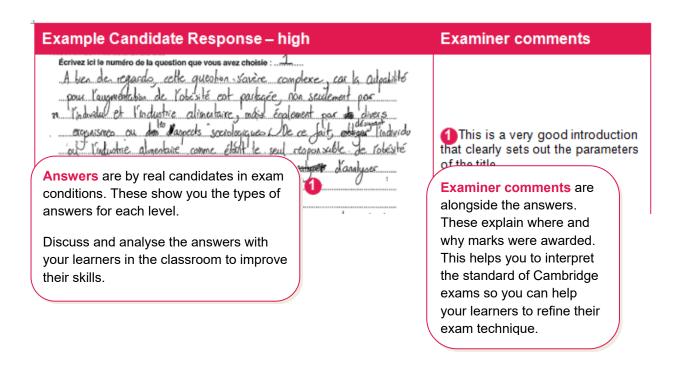
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How to use this booklet

This booklet goes through the paper one question at a time, showing you the high-, middle- and low-level response for each question. The candidate answers are set in a table. In the left-hand column are the candidate answers, and in the right-hand column are the examiner comments.



How the candidate could have improved the answer

This answer was a good answer that was well orgal marks for content, the candidate could have explor explanation of obesity was that the cause is a sede were glossed over. The language used was idioma

This section explains how the candidate could have improved each answer. This helps you to interpret the standard of Cambridge exams and helps your learners to refine their exam technique.

Common mistakes candidates made in Questions 1 and 3

- Focus on the question set was often poor and arguments were superficial.
- Plans, if written, were short and basic in content.
- Essays were poorly constructed with ideas presented in a muddled way with no clear prioritisation or sense of balance.
- Essays on the overarching topic area (e.g. le sport) score poorly on content since much of the material
 used by candidates was only marginally relevant to the actual question title.

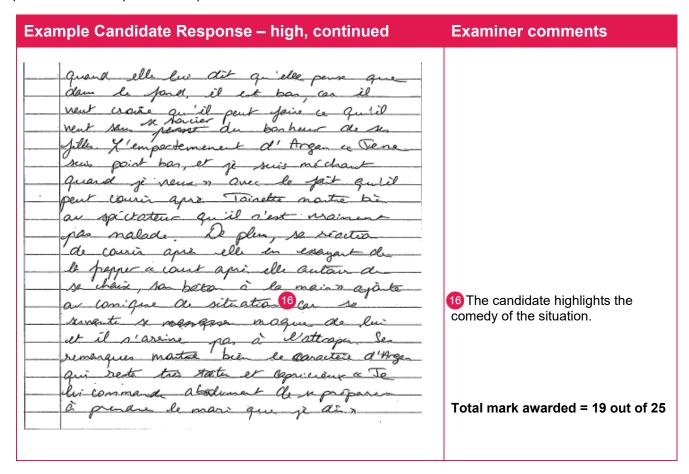
Often candidates are not awarded marks because they misread or misinterpret the questions.

This section lists the common mistakes candidates made in answering each question. This will help your learners to avoid these mistakes and give them the best chance of achieving the available marks.

Question 1a

Example Candidate Response – high **Examiner comments** 1 The question asks for an evaluation of Toinette's statement la pière puisqu about Argan's parenting with reference to his behaviour throughout the play, and in this first sentence of the essay the candidate does well to come straight to the point: Argan comes -fille...,... across as selfish in the play. The candidate's statement about Argan's selfishness is quickly backed up with an example: he wants his daughter to marry a doctor, for his own benefit. 3 An additional piece of evidence is presented. 4 A further example of Argan's uncaring attitude is cited. 5 The candidate addresses the question directly, summarising the evidence presented in the answer so far: for the most part, Argan does not seem to be disposed to showing fatherly tenderness. This should be obnubilé. 7 The introduction of material suggesting that Argan could, after all, be seen to show parental tenderness to some extent, begins to show 'some attempt to analyse and compare', entering the higher level of the Mark Scheme. 8 Again, the candidate carefully substantiates the point made with evidence from the text. 9 Some of Argan's behaviour is blamed on Beline's influence - he has been made vulnerable to her charm and easily manipulated. 10 Toinette's spirit and boldness is recognised and acknowledged by the candidate.

Example Candidate Response - high, continued **Examiner comments** a Acaan, and empodements On voit aissi 11 The candidate notes Toinette's sarcasm. àshoise Ple sibtile Ugu Acgen 12 Toinette gently mocks Argan and plays to his hypochondriac tendencies, flattering him. Comme elle de jait dans siene où ille apperait & je voudra est aussi trè audacieux emptihere Angilique de 13 The candidate concludes this part of the answer well: Toinette shows her love for Angélique in her pledge to do what she must to prevent her from being harmed. 14 Another thoroughly solid and relevant answer. 15 The negations and denials are points or il ne neut pa pointed out, with good focus on the passage.



How the candidate could have improved the answer

Argan does experience a change of heart and consents to his daughter's marriage, not however because he is finally showing some tenderness, but for yet another selfish reason: Cléante would have to become a doctor to win Angélique's hand in marriage. The candidate could have improved the answer by pointing out that this action was also selfish.

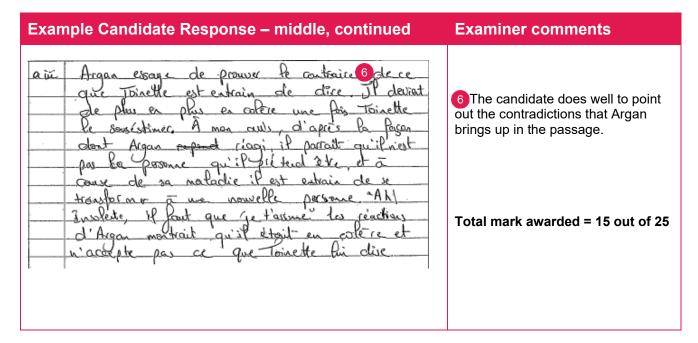
More might have been made of Argan's bad-tempered outbursts at times, or of his mixed relationship with Toinette, including that she was appealing to his goodwill in this passage, because she was working on Angélique's behalf to secure her desired marriage to Cléante. Nevertheless, this answer already showed a detailed approach and aptly chosen illustrations.

The candidate could have made more of Toinette's amusing comments and use of irony as she contributed to the comedy of this mock argument with Argan.

More could have been made of Toinette's loyalty to Argan, not wanting to see his reputation harmed.

Overall though the candidate did not simply reproduce information but discussed and evaluated material and came to a clear conclusion.

Example Candidate Response – middle **Examiner comments** 1 A clear response to the question: paternal tenderness is not Argan's typical conduct in the play. The point about Argan's selfishness is made and evidence to illustrate the answer is provided. Acgan ã essage This should be obéit. Daternelle emiles con 4 A one-sided answer, saying only that Argan does not show tenderness. However, the αü candidate shows fair relevance and cognine et mati knowledge. Doc Pec 5 The candidate points out Toinette's boldness. Emetion d'Ama étoit une entrain de



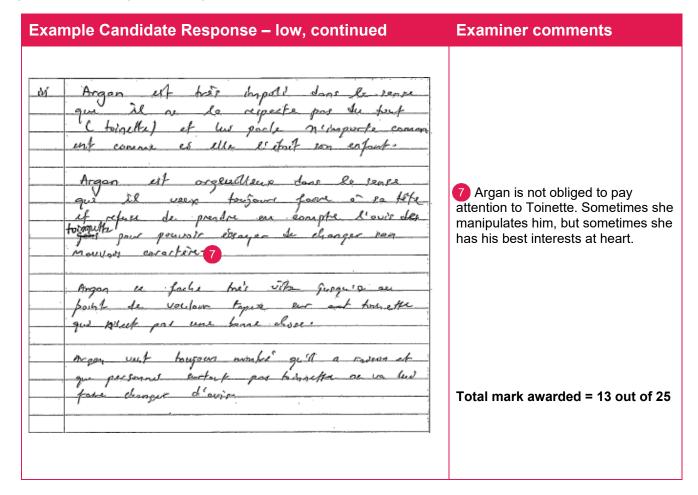
How the candidate could have improved the answer

The candidate understood the demand of the question but was unable to develop a very thorough response.

More could have been made of ways in which Toinette uses irony in line 10 of the extract and flattery in line 13, and contributes to the comedy of the scene by starting the chase around the chair in lines 22–25. The answer could also have been developed by pointing out Toinette's loyalties in the play, both to Argan and to Angélique.

The candidate could have improved the answer by discussing Argan's comment about servants in lines 17–18 and the slapstick comedy in lines 21 and 24–25 – a grown man running around, trying to chase his servant.

Example Candidate Response – low **Examiner comments** SECTION 1 La tendresse possible paternelle ne prindre A good start with a direct answer porceguis to the question. 2 A concise answer, which could have been improved with an example of Argan's pride. For example, he feels that, as a father, his daughters should do as he says and marry whom he tells them to. This is a good attempt to give another reason, and could have $i\mathcal{D}$ la caractère de tomette been explained in such a way as to make an interesting point about refrouve done cat entrattee Toinette: for example, Argan on ten fragge up a vir de wrongly thinks that he is ill, but Toinette tells him that he is fine. As e warment the answer stands, however, it lacks successful development: Argan is the master and Toinette is the servant, so his refusal to submit to her is hardly surprising. She is sometimes more reasonable than him though. A relevant start. de pocesser en colore , ex derniter shreade deci shoulde an items outou 5 Toinette's loyalty to Argan is son batton à noted. This point could be related more pertinently to lines 19-20 of cover andi de pur quell preia the extract. 6 The fact that the pair end up chasing around a chair is funny, contributing to the humour of this comedy. This could be more effectively pointed out. The answer would be improved by discussing Toinette's flattery in line 13 and her boldness in line 16.



How the candidate could have improved the answer

In this answer, the candidate made assertions without being able to illustrate or develop points. In addition, there could have been more comment about the word play in lines 1–9 of the extract (one person says one thing, the other character says the opposite), about Argan's social comment in lines 17–18 and about the slapstick comedy in lines 21 and 24–25.

Common mistakes candidates made in this question

- (i) Most candidates observed that Argan's behaviour does not hold out much hope for Toinette's prediction coming true. Nevertheless, there were signs that Argan might be moved. Ultimately, Toinette's prediction came true. Some candidates did not see both side of the argument.
- (ii) This part was well answered by the candidates.
- (iii) Most candidates did not pick up on the use of word play to heighten the comedy the staccato volley of negations and denial at the start of the extract – or the social comment on the proper role of domestic staff.

Question 2a

Examiner comments Example Candidate Response – high La boutique mentionnée est celle des Raquin Mme laquin et Thérèse travaillent la-bas; elles vendent comme méer mercieres. Elle est situé à Paris, sur le passage du Pont-Neuf, un passage situé dans l'ombre et une humidité acre. boutique elle-même avait deux étages; 1 Although this appears to be le prémier était la magasin, et 'only' an introductory paragraph, it contains a detailed and impressive a contract. avait description of the shop, salle à manger dans laquelle les summarising a wide range of Raquine jouaient les dominos avec events and bringing together a quelques invités. Après avoir discuté variety of description found in the les aspects-physiques de la boutique, novel. il faut apatyzet on va voic en detail cette boutique, qui est le lieu principal de l'oeuvre. été choisi par Monne La boutique à Raquin suite au demande de son fils 2 With efficient brevity, the de vivre à Paris. Elle à trouvé candidate captures something of cette boutique calme et modeste, the beauty and promise of the ceminiscente de ses années jeunes a property Madadme Raquin found Vernon 2 la réalite lui-frappe 3 quand and about which Zola writes, 'elle les faquen surinatatient se sont installés avait trouvé une perle'. dons la boutique. Elle est humiole 3 Again, in a few words the Situe das l'ombre et n'attirait beaucaux candidate effectively communicates de clientele à couse de la réputation the disappointment that the building All Mouvaise du possage du Pont-Neuf. turns out to be. Elle est hostée par son décision- 20 There is some attempt to analyse lengers be boutique est souvest and compare the better and worse aspects of the shop building.

Example Candidate Response – high, continued **Examiner comments** boutique nows coppelle d'un tembeau symbolisme utilisée par Zola est tres 10teressant porce que qu'il associé boutique est gui mort il est situé dans 5 Although this paragraph is un passage crossed out here, it is copied below. plein des coupes-gorges, la lieu de morte de Th Même La boutique est indispensable pour la deroulement de l'histoire. C'est la que Thérèse à mont Laurent, et c'est la qu'ils avaient leurs rendez-vous. Le developpement desse caractères de Thérèse et laurent, et leurs dégenerations aprés leur mariage se deroulent. sci. # est was l'histoire commence, continue et se fermine dans nette boutique avec les petits tos maments ou on voit les autres places. La boutique est aussi très symbolique: elle nous cappelle d'un tombéau. La Symbolisme atilisée par go Zola est trés interessort pakequ'il est viai que boutique est, associé avec la mort. Il est situé dans un passage plein des couper-garges, et elle sera la lieu de moite de Thérèse et Laurent 6 Meme 6 The candidate develops a detailed answer and makes some son humidité nous cappelle de interesting points. la mod de 66 Caprille dans l'eau. Elle est aussi la lieu de paralyse de Mme Raquin qui boom à devenu une poupée une

Example Candidate Response – high, continued	Examiner comments
cadavie qui respiralt.	
Donc on peut dire que la boutique possede un importance: elle est la lieu principale de la l'oeuvre, elle symbolise la mort et elle est la lieu est de développement des caractéres et aussi la lieu de leurs dégenerations. 7 alii) Le portreit que peint laurent est celul de Camille. Il à decide de peindre sette fableau parce que Camille lu pour montrer ses falents dans la damaine d'art. Après ses éffort, on voit une ressemblance su perbe entre Camille et son portrait; mais le ressemblance n'est pas causé par les asperts physiques du Camille dans son portrait. Le portrait est aussi une symbole trés importante dans l'oeuvre!	7 The candidate rounds off the answer to part (i) with an excellent summary of points made. Thoroughly solid and relevant work. Candidate does not simply reproduce information: can discuss and can draw clear conclusion. This is a coherent and detailed approach with aptly chosen examples. 8 The portrait is produced before the plotting that leads to the murder of Camille, but the candidate successfully grasps the significance of the painting as a premonition.
trés similaire à la face quai vu par laurent quand il remarquait Camille dans la morque BAprés la mort du Camille, la portrait va honter o les deux meurtress.	9 This should be <i>hanter</i> .
L'appearance de portrait, "d'un gris sale", "dessin grimas ant 10 convul sionnant les traits" une déscription j'déale de caractère de Camille.	More could have been made of these points. Camille is certainly referred to as <i>grimaçant</i> elsewhere in the novel, and other adjectives found in the extract are typically used of him as well.

Example Candidate Response – high, continued Examiner comments Camille set un Enfant malade et chetif qui à été élevé sous les fendresses. atrabase Il à donc une caractére egoiste, ignoble et fragile. Le grimace et la feinte quis sont les symboles de cela. En plus, "la face verdata" de poyé represente la fate de Camille. Apres la mort de camille, la Partrait va perturber les deux amants. A cause de son ressemblence a Camille mort, la portrait va causer les firssons et les sueurs chez les meurtriers. The points introduced throughout La portrait est donc une symbole de the answer are summarised well in morte et de la caractère an impressive final paragraph. 1910ble et faible de Camille.11 12 Essentially the vague looks are a(iii) \$ Les regards vagues sont typiques de 12 typical of Thérèse. Thérèse: elle ceste taujours immobile et muette, elle est jamais consultée et elle n'est pas respecté beaucoup por sa fonte et son mari. Tous ces comportements sont les masques portées par Thérese pour cocher sa vraie nature. On va éxaminer le comportement de Thérèse et les raisons pour so son comportement passit dans les lignes qui suivent

Example Candidate Response - high, continued Examiner comments la royane de Zola àm doctrine naturaliste est trés évidente rci. Thérése est une étrangére. Elle est la fille d'une femme africaine, et du frère de Mme Raquin. C'est un énfont illegitime. A rouse de son sang africain, elle à inhesité une caractère fieureuse et nerveuse, c'est une caractère qui ne marche pas avec ceux de Mme Raquin et Camille. Thérèse which élevée avec Camille, un énfant gaté par sa mére, toujours malade et fragile Donc, elle avaite une necessité de cacher sa uraie identite et adopter une caractère passive. Mais cela fait du mai à Thérèse Elle a à possedé naturellement une santé de fére, mais elle était soigner comme use majade. Sa viale about nature a reveile quand elle a vu Laurent pour la prièmiere fols: ges son corps qui lessemble un animal lui rapellait un homme Viai et puissant- Pout être Elle commerce à changer en cours de son 13 A successful account of how liaison aver Laurent: elle devient Thérèse was not destined always to plus 4. vocale 13 et plus belle. Aprés have a vague expression. This is another attempt to analyse and leur mariage, elle divient encore compare different ways of plus nerveux, elle frissionait toujows interpreting the main character's et elle qualt souvent les crises de conduct. nerfs atroces. est typique de lui, parce qu'élle est 14 The final paragraph brings together the points raised. la masque qu'elle a du poster pour vivie trangaillement Total mark awarded = 21 out of 25 Mme Raquin et son fils. 14

How the candidate could have improved the answer

This was a very good answer, with its controlled structure, perceptive use of illustration and good insight when discussing characters. It was given 21 marks out of the maximum 25. The answer would have been improved by summarising Thérèse's vagueness as well as the powerful emotions that welled up in her, but even as a one-sided conclusion, the final lines of the response bring an excellent answer to an end.

Example Candidate Response – middle Examiner comments Dans l'extait, tel boutique cot un baitment avec deux étades La boutique a un piéce qui sa a beaucoup de choics tet comme dans le l'h le p le deuxième étage. Di Madame Ragiuli et Thérèse vendent leuro produits Dans le premier étage, Madeire Raquin, Therese et Camille ont leurs chambres où ils doment et Tis Ont un pièce particulier où 1) Some detail is given, about both les amio de Madame Baquin, Michaud, Groved Olivier the shop and some events of the et sa femme, Suzainne viennent ensemble chaque novel. More details would enhance jeudi alos quills parlent avec chaque auhe et the answer. Jouent leur j'eu de dominoes. La boutique est som Sombre et il nºa pas aucume beauté. 2 The significance of the ali Le portrait de Camille signifie le montplusé resemblance between the portrait le cad le m le vioage more futur de Camille of Camille and the image of his Il x est montré dans les parts de peintre de Cami drowned remains which will be Le pomait étantignoble indique Camille Le cae described later in the novel is futur de Camille ne sera pas moins intimida grasped and clearly communicated. intriquée ou intimidés. L'utilisation d'un gris sale implique le mort de Camille dans le futur, signifiant qu'il perdra sa vie. Le manque de couleurs que Laurent ne peut pas utiliser conhibue à au mort de Camille dans le futur. Le gris Le most eifutur de Camille est cat-productamé quand zola The significance of the similarity address le peintre de Camille comme un nayé. Il of the portrait to the later drowning is clearly explained here. donne un lace de comment Camille mourra: qui est en par novant. En cas, le peintre de Camille represente le corps noyé de Camille dans le futur. 2111 Out, a regardant vaguement est un comportement typique

Example Candidate Response – middle, continued	Examiner comments
aiii de Thérèse. Depuis Thérèse a été avec sa tante, Madamo, Raquin, es yie était houjours ennuyeuse. Il 'n' y aucunne pouvelles a nouveaux choses pour Thérèse pour voir ou pour faire. Elle étaite piegnée dans sa son devoir comme la femme de Camille et sa infirmière. Chaque soit, thérèse toujours regarde de de son ventre, espèrant pour le nouveau chose pour entrer sa vie. En cas, Thérèse est fatiquée de sa vie ennyeuse et elle désit pour un différence. Il a l'uie il a est act dans le forme de Laurent qui était complétement différent de Camille Laurent est a un car bon corps mais e qu'est hès sainement comparé au camille qui est toujours malade.	4 A clear beginning to the answer, tackling the question directly.
L'apparence de Laurent Intridue Thérèsé qui observe aucun nouveau chose dans sa vie	Total mark awarded = 16 out of 25

How the candidate could have improved the answer

The response began to imply that Thérèse's life becomes more interesting when Laurent arrives on the scene, making her less resigned to looking out vaguely on her surroundings. Development of such a consideration of 'another point of view' would have improved the answer. It was relatively easy for most candidates to explain Thérèse's restrained upbringing and consequent vagueness. Although the candidate noted the interest that Laurent added to Thérèse's life, which might allow her an escape from vagueness and give her an opportunity to live a more passionate life, and in this way went beyond a 'simple approach', more detail about these circumstances would have improved the answer.

The unfinished development of the implied points in part (iii) suggested that the candidate was possibly not in full control of the material and that the essay lacked really solid detail.

Example Candidate Response – low Examiner comments (a) .(ı). La boutique est un atelier payer par Comille et sa jamille. Après leur sortie du Pont Neuf, ils_se_sont demeg demenager a Paris et an acheter cet e-18 blissement Upendant que Camille trouve de l'emploi Good knowledge of the novel is La boutique se situe à Paris dans un rue shown here, although it is less cempli par d'autres boutique. Au debut, relevant to a description of the c'était un endroi rempli de joie Camille shop. invitait des amis; M. Michaud (le commisiriat de police, M. Grivet (son collègue au obernia de Jer d'Orléans), Olivier Gri Michard le jils de M. Hichaud, Suzante (sa jemme) et havrent (ancien camarum et havrent (ancien camarum aussi travaille av chemin de fer d Onleans) Le groupe passe de bonne temps en jouant un U jeux de dominos dans quelques soirees. Mais, vens la fin du roman, tout est 2 This is a development of the change et boulverse description of the shop: once a happy place, but later cursed. La boutique est maintenant maudite. Ca cause du mort de camille êté mener par Thérèse et lavrent comme mésore pour contiaver leur romance Ce goi est domanage est que ga ne suffit pas V toujours chasses par des des respuits qui les rappelle hallucidations et des de la menace qu'ils ont fait à Camille

Example Candidate Response – low, continued Examiner comments (a). Laurent est un vieux ami de Camille. Ils (ii)_ Etgrent comprades pendant leurs années élémentaires. Tant que les deux se réunissent Lavrent commence de s'attirer à la femme de son ami, There'se Cet affection lui a influence de détester Camille et il commence d'avoir des rapports sexuelles avec sa jemme derière le dos de Camille et samere La signification du genre de portrait bio signi Laurent veut montrer indirectement et invisible 3 The connection between this quotation and the subsequent drowning of Camille is not ment son déteste, Cela est indiquée par la emphasised here. citation & laurent ne pouvait employer les couleurs les plus citantan- eila tantes sans les rendre ternes et boueuses. > Cela se manifeste This is an interesting quand l'auteur mentionne << ... le visage de interpretation about presenting an Comille ressemblait à la face verdotre you unflattering image of Camille as noyer 🔊 🔞 part of a plan to remove him from the scene. It does not seek to interact with the fact that Camille Laurent a l'impression de laire disp disparattre Camille et ça se commence himself actually likes the portrait (lines 14-15). The image of en déssinant un mauvair partrait indiquant drowning is still not explained, but la revenge, le plaisir dell'éveraté, la tricherie really cannot be overlooked in this Vlá mechanterie 4 answer.

Example Candidate Response – middle, continued Examiner comments (a) Lii). lille d'un capitaine Français Irère de Mme Plaquin) Algérienne. personnage It would be helpful if this parle vraiment pel. En effet suggestion could be expanded upon 1 habitude as it is not particularly clear what is de_ meant, especially in the light of the Hagulas fact that the candidate goes on to write that Thérèse's vagueness is not typical, when she does in fact sentiments bizarres 5 Alors, le citation often look vague. Begandant Vaquement >> 6 This answer, '*Thérèse* is not elle encore typically vague', needs to be justified more adequately for it to be sexuellex avec convincing. s'occupe a Total mark awarded = 11 out of 25

How the candidate could have improved the answer

Overall, this essay was judged to contain some very basic material but not much sense of understanding or ability to answer the question. The answer could have been improved by inclusion of more concrete material from the novel.

Common mistakes candidates made in this question

- (i) Many responses were short on fine details. Few candidates mentioned *Thérèse*'s horrified reaction when she first visited the property.
- (ii) Some candidates were sidetracked into describing the haunting role that the portrait later played in the marriage bedroom of *Thérèse* and Laurent. Fewer candidates mentioned that Camille was the only one to be delighted with the portrait.
- (iii) Weaker responses did not pick up on "attendre en frèmissant", highlighting Thérèse's repressed sensuality and the impact that the arrival of Laurent was to have on her

Question 6b

Examiner comments Example Candidate Response – high (6)a extract et esser enu sau about and 1 Introductions such as these are 14 cécrite mas Allast Camus au 20eme siècle unnecessary and add nothing to an 22 witue un Russie. En elle, à cette c'hoque essay, although on this occasion starbapaso emipero en augar tae aporp el DE-05. the extraneous material only fills two lines and could be seen as them strep not timed as equacy as to harmless. empingocaling, laibi, and, evinas aran cot library as yearly elycent to donce 2 These four lines show good all avene vonior et etittell rezilers knowledge of the play, although 27 3 LANGE CONSTRUCTION OF THE COLUMN ASSETT OF THE CO they are not relevant to the somen all me tay varior, brade b but question. It is not desirable for de ce groupe avec Yanek Kaliayer, pora, candidates to begin their essays in Stepan it Annen Love haque presonnage a such a general way. ヲネ Lenar : atmostfite our pitzisellana ash. This sentence acknowledges the ao il mait. Stepan il persomage amerit topic of the question and serves as to get al, aigod to exist'is presering a good introduction for the main sou celli qui aporte de calme. part of the essay. L'abanda de Vornov fut d'abandaner 6 118 le groupe aux Après Yamek n'a upas lancé This is good in that it places la bombe enous trues de Conand-Dic à Voinov as part of the revolutionary group and shows specific 134 cause d'enfants présents, us dit que ces knowledge of other members of (4.57) "Lordones anion asm Lords" (4.57) 138 that movement. 145 Un your your tand, it don't conjust 53 à Annen vor qu'il ne seussira par anci Up to this point, the information 162 sa bombe, "Jai your est y'ai nonte darajo given is rather general and 169 your (n-74) 18 youtage qu'il new "pas unrelated to Voinov, which is your grown in revolur "(n. 76) it decide dons unfortunate. 184 de quitter et de ce Réjondre au comités. L'ati-Thankfully the section is added below, specifying Voinov's * APENDAN' le insumier all en de course que particular role at the beginning of voinor or a studie de paliones du Grand. the play. Although more 205 - Due abo at qu'il not tres honnete. De peus, development is needed in relation suel trailinar aerannopubliste and suot to his attitude towards the other 217 revolutionaries, this is a sound vie es leux amous pour la causa start.

Example Candidate Response – high, continued **Examiner comments** This is an admirable attempt to 225 end the paragraph with a summary tude de Voinor inome qu'il coait outsegres as time to alimit 06 of Voinov's attitude, but may be more about his attitude to himself knex us voinor as oresomblens and his limitations rather than his grantent - priava Lover we rave has to attitude towards the other anapue al reuse et utor ruego edmag revolutionaries. Some good points voisor, (esnanti'll et nestenementer al) are made in this paragraph though. avoir. an, it truit to usur cross . Le 70 cras que j) amais joit comme Vanell' 8 8 The point that Voinov particularly 46 (n. 50 57). De yeur, les deux sont très sympathies with Kaliayev and his consider of the a supported decision and would have taken the same course of action could be estupic to areas a la up emphasised to improve the answer. comage de mousire you so ausa Voidel us voltos sough un tous as a 9 A very good point is made here 30 Z An dibout, Yanek son sent coup qu'il and the evidence of a quotation is errog litup wan eldosmancer en tios recorded. Further explanation "c'est ma bute", (p.80), mais voinor ossure would develop the discussion even " Laine " of worne (p. 79) . ** more successfully: Voinov offers Voinor at Stepan son des gressonnages reassurance to Kaliavev when he blames himself for failure. enu't erigh tras Li'a eman atmenhit aint mêrme cause Tow dabond stepan n'aurait 10 This is an excellent point to make samais en une atitude comme alle de because it contrasts with Voinov's Vomor can it yense que your la sympathies with Kaliayev: as much 64 remains as même des propret tree même des anjants as Voinov is similar to Kaliayev, he steran n'amant jamais your et it joit is different from Stepan. This is an toujours de tout pour ancir la bombe attempt to analyse and compare. VOINOV CET DONG SHAK OWER SO re Demblent aussi 13 kan moins 14 Dona The end of this sentence shows an outstanding grasp of the who is actorion abhang enw b difference in perspective and snombifur our sully odnited enconorgy as approach between Voinov and auce son grand amour. Vanel, April Stepan, while acknowledging their there allow tram to north me trantitup overriding commitment to the same tance sombe your mousin oussi cause. u pouvoir de sethouser comme Romea es 12This is about an attitude to the course of action to take rather than an attitude towards the other revolutionaries, but good points are made elsewhere in this paragraph all the same. 13 A fair point, but evidence and explanation are needed. 14 The word Néanmoins provides a promising introduction to another attempt to analyse and compare, although it needs more adequate development to be successful this

time.

Example Candidate Response - high, continued Examiner comments 15 This is not made relevant to the question. tuliate dans shalles your. VOHAGY 16 Again there is some confusion L'attitude de voinor unt de en here, and Voinov's attitudes are said atain cas nareille es en autres differents to be similar to the attitudes of some truste and IT Of enjuren alternor on autus as of the other revolutionaries and wn yer sonnage we conduire, ils nous different from the attitudes of others. en le allimite es respecter les limites et re The question, of course, was about his attitude towards other mas mentio un important même dans son revolutionaries, and this is grasped at contexte 17 certain points of the essay. Otherwise, the candidate does well to seek to focus on Voinov's attitude in the conclusion. As mentioned before. if 'attitude' could feature more in the introduction and be developed further during the essay, this answer would be even more successful. 17 This is not relevant to the guestion. It would be better to summarise the ways in which Voinov's attitude to some revolutionaries is different from his attitude to others in the play. ind xound taken gason close yours qui 18 Voinov returns to the group. The a yout volvor yarring range they a essay could be improved by further is-into de anuerio ou groupe apris le discussion of this fact. avant sa moret. 18 Total mark awarded = 20 out of 25

How the candidate could have improved the answer

Overall this essay was judged to have very good, controlled structure (paragraphs are devoted to Kaliayev, Stepan and Dora in turn; similarities and differences with each of Stepan and Dora), perceptive use of illustration, good insight when discussing characters.

The first part of the essay could have been improved by concluding it with stating what Voinov's attitude to his colleagues was and that he could not continue with them in their direct action because he was afraid and ashamed of it, but that he wanted to remain useful to their cause, so wanted to seek an alternative post.

A better introduction would have benefited this essay. If the candidate wrote in the introductory paragraphs that they would discuss how, in this case for example, Voinov's attitude to one revolutionary contrasts with his attitude to another, then the essay would have made a better impression from the outset, and the candidate would have had more time to develop the contrast more clearly.

Example Candidate Response – middle	Examiner comments
b Albert Comus est un écritien forçais du XX éme siale gress a resse le prose l'obsel de la hétera terre pour l'ensemble de con acurre. Il donnact une grande imparatance a la viouleme il la cristiqual la repetal et le combattant II a pullar en 1944 les sure prèce de théatre au al 1 constituent la ver des revolutionnaires nouses en 1905, lh de ces revolutionnaires est transa il est dest l'un que donat lancer la bambe. On verre comme constituent d'abiture est des certaines en constituent d'altrire est des certaines en constituent d'abiture est des certaines en constituent d'abiture est des certaines en constituent des productionnes en certaines que des autres certaines en constituent l'an par exemple par exemple par exemple de certaines de ses cités per altrionnaires l'an que de son en constituent l'an en par en en en constituent l'an en par est par en en constituent l'an en par en en	1 This is a general and unnecessary introduction. 2 The focus here is on the attitudes of Voinov and the other revolutionaries. The question, however, is about Voinov's attitudes towards the other revolutionaries. 3 The difference towards other revolutionaries. 4 The candidate does not explicitly say that we could conclude that Voinov's attitude towards the other revolutionaries is that he agrees with them and acts in the same way as them. 5 Good examples of the sacrifices made by Voinov, Dora and Kaliayev.

Example Candidate Response - middle, continued **Examiner comments** 6 This is about an implied attitude necessile to commones of these as the snow to the revolution rather than son rate Voinov's attitude towards other attental. revolutionaries. There seems to be some Vactor comme distraction here, as though the peciple 7 candidate is writing, 'Voinov has things in common with the other revolutionaries'. Kaloeyev. Foka out 8 These are interesting points but Foka is not one of the revolutionaries so that should be acknowledged by the candidate. Decomposis 9 This paragraph is not Grenchat bachav Vo avecx successfully developed with regard encers les outres. En location to Voinov. Sc cocapable pret c 10 This paragraph seems to introduce an attempt to analyse and compare: despite Voinov's attitude has le I userdra towards the other revolutionaries Vacanadi that they are similar to himself, he also views them as unlike him and different. luci , lancier bombe see "mouns them bent" govered est capable. première tentateue, quend of a

Example Candidate Response – middle, continued Examiner comments as la bombe 11 Again there is too much emphasis on Voinov and his general attitude, rather than his attitude towards the other revolutionaries. It is unclear whether the candidate has misunderstood the question or is struggling to keep the correct interpretation in focus. Some good points are made here, but the candidate is possibly not in full control of the material. Solid but indiscriminate. _attatioe11mas_ot 12 Again, this material could be 'turned around' to answer the question more pertinently: 'Voinov's attitude to Dora is that she is a mediator...', along with evidence and explanations as always. 13 Voinov's attitude towards the other revolutionaries is that he wants them not to argue. He recognises that they have differences of opinion. Voinov's attitude to Stepan's point of view is '...whereas his attitude to Kaliayev's opinion is...'. If the candidate phrases the material in this way, it could lead to further attempts to analyse and compare. 14 'Voinov's attitude towards the other revolutionaries is that he wants to agree with them', is a more relevant way to phrase this. Total mark awarded = 16 out of 25

How the candidate could have improved the answer

Overall, this essay was judged to be a coherent essay but lacking in really solid detail.

Although the candidate provided good examples of the sacrifices made by Voinov, Dora and Kaliayev, these examples could have been more successfully explained, e.g. 'Voinov's attitude to Dora and Kaliayev is to sympathise with the sacrifices they make to the cause'. An explanation like this could have replaced the rest of the paragraph, so the 500–600 word limit would not have been exceeded.

The same material could have been more effectively targeted, if, for example, the following point had been made: 'Voinov's attitude towards the other revolutionaries is that they are not understood by the people...' Of course the candidate would have needed to back up the point with supporting evidence and explanation.

Example Candidate Response - low **Examiner comments** Voinor est un étudient franc werite. méhier a 1 At this point in the introductory despohence dans la regime injustice paragraph, Voinov's attitude il ose à foure public towards despotism is mentioned. l'Egard le desposisme Cela montre clairement guand il saconte aux autres l'aganisation son expérience à université. « Le dissis ce que <u>la servoyé de</u> comment lierre le Grand _demonda Edifie Saint-Petersbourg il wait répondu: sang_ct_le il a et thank Ensuite Voinge à l'Organisation des socialistes révois J'ai compris qu'il ne suffisast pas dénoncer l'injustice Il fallait donner sa vie The other revolutionaries are combattre. mentioned now, but Voinov's l'Organisations Comme ses amis dans attitude towards them is still not pont cing adherents - il given. The candidate should focus our les buts révolutionnaires on Voinov's attitude towards the a laissé tour les plaisirs de vie derrière other revolutionaries to answer this et même le continent de question. l'amour Mainter gant il ordonne aux autres se 3 A short summary of Annenkov is Remme dans given here. anater Kelle compris qu' jusque à la most This section about Dora could be grand-duc replaced with information about Kaliayer idéaliste. a Voinov's attitude towards Dora. beauté et il adore sora l. Organisation

Example Candidate Response – low, continued Examiner comments idée de déliverer le pengle russe de Il est out absolument lancobombe que le grand-duc et disposé à se disposé à se jeter l'affectat prévou a Organisa ho à la volonte de chais il déteste de fres ert un ami de adulter Finalement, Katiagray attie avec of na bornbe to goo son deuxième tentative, il affeint so finalement condamné à mont. l'ideé pou fier de pouvoir mouvir peux 5 This section about Dora could jusqu & Bidele be replaced with information about Le quabrieme personnage downs Voinov's attitude towards Dora. Stepan Celui- a ent desenu amer il a sult lui- même A sentence beginning ou bagne Il n'est pas un idéaliste comme! Yamets - bien au contraire Il déteste la vie Contrairement should be a good sign in an essay, likely to show que la verge ance ne voit plus sièn some attempt to analyse and compare. But unfortunately here Contrairement there is no relevance to the l'Organisation pourrait ben sûr tuer question about Voinov's attitude Tl_pèse towards the other revolutionaries mourant de misère contre and so the mark cannot be never et la nièce du grand-duc awarded. l'accompagnaient dans fout pas être Instead of this description of fant même se Stepan, the essay could focus on <u> </u>Σείσου Voinov's attitude towards Stepan. 8 Is this an unfinished quotation? The essay continues.

Example Candidate Response – low, continued Examiner comments Quant à Voisor, il dévise 9 It is unclear whether the candidate has misunderstood the question and is trying to give an account of 'the pas_à attitude of Voinov' and the 'attitudes of each revolutionary' rather than the attitude of Voinov towards the other revolutionaries. travailler pour clardestricte chais lorsque Total mark awarded = 11 out of 25 Kalioyev (Organisation

How the candidate could have improved the answer

The introduction could be improved by answering the question from the start, 'comment on Voinov's attitude towards the other revolutionaries'.

The material produced was not tailored to the question and therefore the candidate did not display much understanding or ability to answer the question.

The level of language produced was good, as was the knowledge and understanding shown of Camus' writing, so the descriptors in the 6–9 mark band would be too low.

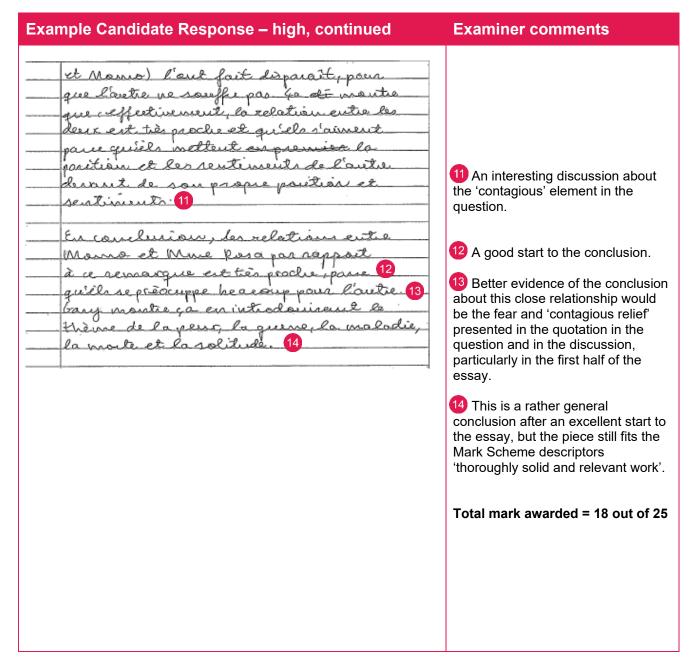
Common mistakes candidates made in this question

Candidates were generally more successful at answering this question and there were some strong analyses of Voinov, his initial enthusiasm for the cause, his subsequent fear and shame, his desire to quit the group and his subsequent re-recruitment, turning from his cowardly conduct and finding a way of standing in solidarity with his comrades again.

Question 8b

Example Candidate Response – high **Examiner comments** 1 An excellent start to the essay, Il est indéviable que la relation beginning with the relationship Mamo et Mme Rosa est essent between Momo and Madame Rosa, the main focus of the question, and acknowledging the significance of the theme of fear in the novel, the next most important key word in the question. This introduction shows the candidate has clearly grasped what the question is asking for: a consideration of the relationship between the two protagonists in the light of the quotation from the novel. Each paragraph in this essay is introduced by phrases giving clear direction to the writing. This is not always seen but the use of 'first', 'also', 'finally' and 'In conclusion' structure suggests the candidate has a clear idea of the points they will make. 4 An excellent inclusion of what Madame Rosa was not afraid of an attempt to analyse and compare. 5 Good, concise coverage of what Madame Rosa does fear. The candidate does not mention here that when Madame Rose was afraid, just looking at the portrait of Hitler seemed to help her to put her ellemando la bostura. Elle mourir fears back in perspective. 7 A good suggestion of a reason why Momo makes the remark quoted in this question.

Example Candidate Response - high, continued **Examiner comments** tranquille où elle veut, comment En plus, Memo n'a pas peur "non 8 This is a good summary of how, although these two characters are close and what worries one affects the other, it is also true to say that when Madame Rosa finds relief, Momo shares it. This should be perdre. 10 This should be *pedre*. i'el'a démontré être



How the candidate could have improved the answer

The essay could have been improved by adding some discussion of Madame Rosa's enduring fear of medical interventions. The candidate did not refer to the portrait of Hilter – when Madam Rosa was afraid, just looking at this portrait seemed to help her to put her fears back in perspectives. The conclusion was general after an excellent introduction and good discussion.

Example Candidate Response - middle **Examiner comments** C'est évident que la rélation entre Haulance Rosa ex themas re part pas être meux. Hans souhaitemit une mère réele, une femme pour mi preteger, time. Losa jovent cettle functionne maternelle Persont le nomen More Lesse et Morro partagent 1) The candidate clearly outlines beaucoup the d'expériences et une de cer expériences est the relationship between Momo and Madame Rosa as well as the 'sharing' of fear between them. Moso a raison quant il dit que la peur est restayleux et c'est constaté pendant tout le livre. Quand quelqu'un d'eux a peur Montre a aussi. Je 2 2 The essential element of the pense que cotte peur teranne per rendre la rélation question is grasped and commented on here. entre time kosa et Mono plus solide Per exemple, quand time. Mesa parte a per a être déportée à 3 Good reference to one of the Australitz, Mono sout cotte pour aussi: 71 sources of fear for Madame Rosa. préocype por Mme. Resa et essaie La peur de mourier est perdent fout le livre. Homo est toujunt conditioné por la dégradation de l'une rose i'l sait qu'un jour Mna. Resa mourira va à 4 Another reason for why Madame Rosa was fearful, clearly stated. laisse Hono ser 4 et cette préocypation est contage à tema qui re sait pas qu'est-ce qu'el 5 Momo says in the quotation that Madame Rosa's relief from fear is A mon outs, le fait que la pour soit contagleux contagious. The candidate entre les deux permet à time : sosa et Momo suggests here that because the two d'établir une rélation plus situiture à une rélation characters share fear, they develop a closer relationship. It might be mere - enfant. ga pernet in nomo et the Rosa supposed that they share fear de wold qu'ils sont là pour s'aider et que si because they already have a close les leve sont enseable its sont plus forts relationship. The candidate makes an interesting point.

xample Candidate Response – middle, continued	Examiner comments
On peut observer oussi que quand Mac. Rosa est en hour étet, Momo à une u/c houreux et a mules 6 Be précrippostions. Ga lui permet de s'auflier de la mort de Mine-Rosa et n'avoir pas du pour. quesi les deux sont blen, but va blen et il 7) n'y ~ pas de problèmes. Par contre, est oftet de	6 This should be <i>moins</i>.7 A good focus on the relief from fear.
por relevance à son état (aible de santé Fa conclusion con voit que la rélation entre Mue. posa et nous est affecté par le fait que la peur termine peur soit contagieux 8 gan termine ha peur termine par être psychologique a aussi, car quand un d'eux a peur l'autre a aussi. Sa termine par établir	Or that the relief from fear is said to be contagious in this quotation.
neternelle de Mue. Assa les deux s'aire constantement	Total mark awarded = 15 out of 25

How the candidate could have improved the answer

This essay showed a fair level of relevance and knowledge. The candidate understands the demands of the question but could have developed a more thorough response, e.g. by mentioning the portrait of Hitler as a means of allaying fear for Madame Rosa.

Example Candidate Response - low

Momo dit que Madame Rosoc et que lui non plus contagieux les relations entre Mono et Madame se révole autour Comour, ils s'aimaignt beaucous deux. Madane Rosa de mourir novalt plus peur plus parce que Madame accord Cette remarque nous relation étoit tres : proche autre et qu'ils aidaight problème. navaient plus pour Madame Rosa g'avait qu'elle etait ville et très molade et que éventuellement allée mourrir et Momo allé rester temme qui voules majs Momo avait decide rester Madrime Rosa

Examiner comments

- 1 The question is successfully grammatically in this introductory sentence.
- 2 Although some of the essay seems vague, the relationship between Momo and Madame Rosa is summarised. Love is a significant theme in the novel, and the reference to it here seems knowledgeable rather than vague.
- This is a simple essay, but the emphasis on experiencing no more fear is grasped well.
- 4 More evidence of the close relationship between Momo and Madame Rosa is needed here.
- The answer could be improved by more focus on the fact that knowledge of her ill-health and likely death probably fuelled Madame Rosa's fear earlier in the novel as she fretted about what would happen to Momo after she had gone. As the quotation notes, however, she did come to experience some relief from her fear. Contrasting the time of decreasing fear would provide the candidate with an opportunity to attempt to analyse and compare.

Total mark awarded = 12 out of 25

How the candidate could have improved the answer

The material in this essay could have been structured better:

- Madame Rosa is afraid (of persecution, deportment, going into hospital, dying and leaving Momo alone); commentary on their relationship: she feels responsible for caring for him and sees him as dependent on her.
- Momo is afraid (for Madame Rosa's wellbeing and his own without her); commentary on their
 relationship; he feels responsible for caring for her, sees her as dependent on him, doubts his ability to
 care for her, feels dependent on her for his own wellbeing.
- Madame Rosa ceases to fear (looking at the portrait of Hitler enables her to put things in perspective, Momo cares for her); commentary on their relationship: she depends on his care.

More evidence and explanation of points made would also have improved the answer.

Common mistakes candidates made in this question

The weaker responses were almost entirely narrative where candidates lost touch with the question at a very early stage of the response. The best responses highlighted that Momo and Mme. Rosa were so close to each other that all their emotions – not just fear – were automatically transferred from one to the other.