# ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1

<span style="color:red">**What is assessed?**</span>

- **Section A: Reading**
  One literature fiction text
- **Section B: Writing**
  Descriptive *or* Narrative writing

<span style="color:red">**How is it assessed?**</span>

- Written external examination – 1 hour 45 minutes
- 80 marks
- 50% of total GCSE grade (the other 50% is from Paper 2)

<span style="color:red">**The Questions:**</span>

**Section A: Reading (40 marks) – One single text (25% of the total mark for the paper)**

- ***Q1 – short answer question (4 marks)***

Read again the first part of the Source from **lines 1 to 7**.
List **four** things from this part of the text about the weather in Cornwall.

- ***Q2  - longer answer question (8 marks) LANGUAGE***

How does the writer use language here to describe the effects of the weather?

You could include the writer's choice of:
☐ words and phrases
☐ language features and techniques
☐ sentence forms.

- ***Q3 – longer answer question (8 marks) STRUCTURE***

You now need to think about the **whole** of the **Source**. This text is from the opening of a novel.

How has the writer structured the text to interest you as a reader?
You could write about:
☐ what the writer focuses your attention on at the beginning
☐ how and why the writer changes this focus as the Source develops
☐ any other structural features that interest you.

- ***Q4 – extended answer question (20 marks) EVALUATION***

Focus this part of your answer on the second part of the Source from **line 19 to the**
**end**.
A student, having read this section of the text said: "The writer brings the very different characters to life for the reader. It is as if you are inside the coach with them."
To what extent do you agree?
In your response, you could:
☐ write about your own impressions of the characters
☐ evaluate how the writer has created these impressions
☐ support your opinions with references to the text.

**Section B: Writing (40 marks) (25% of the total mark for the paper)**

Content and Organisation 24 marks/ Technical Accuracy (SPAG) 16 marks

**Q5 or 6-** You will be presented with 2 questions (either narrative or descriptive writing); you only have to do 1 of the 2