



RADLEY

Academic Scholarship Examination Paper
ENGLISH 1

25th January 2022

Time allowed – 2 hours

45 minutes: Section A – Comprehension (20 marks)

30 minutes: Section B – Creative Writing (10 marks)

45 minutes: Section C – Essay Writing (20 marks)

Answer **ALL** the questions. Write in full sentences throughout.

You are expected to write accurate, well-punctuated prose.

Write your answers on separate pieces of paper.

Section A

Comprehension:

Homesick

The little scars on their faces
are the names of their villages,
put there when they were young
in case they got lost.

Their faces are maps
which they carry with them
when they set out across the world
for their new lives.

The scars look like the tracks of tears
cried for their childhood
as they move about their work
in our northern hospitals.

When they wake me in the night
to give me my medication
they shout my name
and shine a light in my eyes.

I wake, not knowing where I am.
The nurses and I are homesick,
crying to be taken home
to our lost villages.

Hugo Williams

Answer the following question in full sentences.

Make close reference to the poem, by quoting.

How does the poet use language, form and structure to present the patient and the carers? (20)

Section B

Creative Writing:

Describe a person to be admired.

OR

Describe a person to be despised.

Your piece should be no more than 200 words.

(10)

Section C

Essay Writing:

Those who care for others deserve more than they currently receive.

- Write a short essay expressing your views on this statement.
- Consider what you have read, as well as what you believe.

You will be rewarded for the clarity and creativity of your writing. Accurate punctuation, grammar and spelling are also extremely important.

(20)

End of Paper