



## LITERATURE AND PERFORMANCE STANDARD LEVEL PAPER 2 – POETRY

Thursday 2 May 2013 (morning)

1 hour 30 minutes

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Do not turn over this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer one question.
- The maximum mark for this paper is [25 marks].

Answer **one** question. Refer closely to the works of **at least two** poets you have studied.

- 1. In the works of some poets, there is often a sense of fatefulness, that certain things are destined to occur. In the works of **at least two** poets you have studied, evaluate how far this sense of fate is part of their poetic focus and how they have communicated this perception or even rejected it.
- **2.** Metaphors are comparisons that are often used in poetry to ask readers to think imaginatively. In the works of **at least two** poets you have studied, show how such comparisons ask readers to see the world in new ways.
- **3.** Poems can be delivered in language that is formal and structured or expressed in a manner that seem more like everyday conversation. In the works of **at least two** poets you have studied, show how one or both kinds of language have been used to good effect.
- 4. Plant and animal life can be included in poems to provide interest and energy. In the works of **at least two** poets you have studied, show how poets have used such materials to engage their readers.
- 5. Poets can offer strong criticism of human behavior in a variety of ways: through pointed, harsh judgment or through indirect approaches, such as humor or generalizing. In what ways have at least two poets you have studied used their art to criticize?
- 6. Poets can develop their ideas in logical or linear ways, or in impressionistic, circular structures. In the works of **at least two** poets you have studied, discuss the ways in which they have effectively structured their poems.