

5th Year English – November Assessment Revision Guide

Assessment Focus:

Your November Assessment will test your understanding of the five language types we've studied this term:

Information | Argument | Persuasion | Narration | Aesthetic

The assessment will include two papers and will be assessed over the course of two lessons:

1. Comprehension Section (50 mins) – reading and answering questions on an unseen text.
2. Composition Section (1 hour) – writing your own piece using the correct language type, tone, and features.

1. What You Need to Revise

A. The Five Language Types

Make sure you can:

- Identify the purpose, audience, and register for each type.
- Recognise key features (e.g., tone, structure, techniques, style).
- Explain how writers use language to achieve their purpose.
- Use these features accurately in your own writing.

Where to Revise:

- OneNote: “Language Types” section – PowerPoints, notes, and feature charts.
- Classwork copies: Notes, feature tables, and retrieval practice activities.
- Homework exercises: Extract analysis and written tasks for each genre.

B. Comprehension Skills

Be prepared to:

- Read and understand an unseen text from any of the five language types.
- Identify tone, purpose, audience, and register.
- Find and explain examples of language features (ex, rhetorical questions, imagery, dialogue, etc).
- Answer questions in clear, structured responses using evidence from the text.

Where to Revise:

- Class comprehension activities for each genre.
- Sample texts and feature-finding tasks in OneNote.
- Past answers you've written and self/peer/teacher feedback.
- Practice comprehensions.

C. Composition Skills

You'll need to write one extended piece that fits a given prompt (like a personal essay/discursive essay/short story).

Be ready to:

- Choose the correct language genre for your response.
- Write in a clear structure (introduction, development, conclusion).
- Match your tone and style to your audience and purpose.
- Include key features of the chosen language type.
- Use accurate grammar, spelling, and punctuation.

Where to Revise:

- Your own written compositions in your copybook or OneNote.
- Feedback on past writing tasks – note what you did well and what to improve.
- Genre transformation and application tasks for practice adapting tone and style.
- Practice compositions.