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To: SQA Co-ordinators
Secondary Schools and FE Colleges

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Dear Colleague

Please pass this letter to the member of staff responsible for English in your school or college.

The following guide should clarify the issues which have been the subject of recent correspondence about English in Session 2010-2011. They apply to Intermediate 1, Intermediate 2 and Higher English.

Candidate A

Completed **all 3** Units for internal assessment (D8VH Language Study, D8VJ Literary Study and D8VK or L Personal Study) but failed the examination in 2010. Candidate A has met all the internal assessment requirements to re-sit the exam in 2011. Candidate A does not have to redo NAB assessments, but must submit an appropriate Folio of Writing (2 pieces as specified for Higher and Intermediate 2, 1 piece for Intermediate 1)

Candidate B

Completed **2** of the 3 Units for internal assessment (D8VH Language Study, D8VJ Literary Study and D8VK or L Personal Study) and sat and passed the exam in 2010. Candidate B has to pass the remaining Unit, which will generate a Course Award. All Units, D8VH Language Study, D8VJ Literary Study and D8VK or L Personal Study are available until July 2011 for such cases and D8VK and L are available as free-standing Units beyond that date.

Candidate C

Started the Course in 2009, planning to do it over two years and has passed **some** of the 3 Units - D8VH Language Study, D8VJ Literary Study and D8VK or L Personal Study- **but not all**. Candidate C has to complete any missing Units to satisfy the internal assessment requirements of the Course and has to submit a Folio of Writing as specified and pass the examination to gain a Course Award in 2011.

Candidate D

Started the Course this year. Candidate D has to complete Language Study F796 and Literary Study F797, submit a Folio of Writing as specified and pass the examination to generate a Course Award.

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All candidates

Entering for Courses at these levels in 2011 need to satisfy internal assessment requirements by passing either the 3 'old' D8V Units or the 2 'new' F796/7 Units. The old and new cannot be mixed. For the purposes of external assessment they must submit a Folio of Writing as specified and sit and pass the examination.

NAB materials will be recoded in due course, but the existing Close Reading, Writing and Textual Analysis NAB materials should be used for Units F796 and F797.

Language Study Outcome 2 – Writing

This is still a mandatory feature of internal assessment and is subject to possible Verification. It can also be used as one of the pieces in the Folio of Writing. Where this is the case, a copy should be retained in the centre as it may be requested for Verification purposes.

Yours faithfully



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