**STAGE 2 ENGLISH: COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS**

*Independent text considerations: prose (p) / drama (d) / visual (v)*

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|  **DYSTOPIAS / OBSESSION / OUTSIDERS IN SOCIETY** |
| **Dystopias *(Blade Runner)****Brave New World*: Aldous Huxley (p)*Children of Men:* Alfonso Cuaron (v)*Machines Like Me:* Ian McEwan*Handmaid’s Tale*: Margaret Atwood (p/v)*Dispossessed*: Ursula le Guin (p)*The Road*: Cormac McCarthy (p/v)*1984*: George Orwell (p/v)*The Matrix:* Lily and Lana Wachowski (v)*V for Vendetta:* James McTeigue (v)*Gattaca:* Andrew Niccol (v)*Dark City:* Alex Proyas (v)*The Watchmen:* Alan Moore (graphic novel / v)*A Clockwork Orange:* Anthony Burgess (p/v)*We*: Yevgeny Zamyatin (p)*Woman at the Edge of Time*: Marge Piercy (p)*Fahrenheit 451*: Ray Bradbury (p/v)*Oryx and Crake:* Margaret Atwood (p/v)*The Famished Road:* Ben Okri (p)*The Circle:* James Ponsoldt(v)*Book of Eli:*  Allen Hughes (v)*Metropolis:* Fritz Lang (v)*Never Let Me Go:* Kazuo Ishiguro (p/v)*Inception:* Christopher Nolan (v)*12 Monkeys:* Terry Gilliam (v)*I, Robot:* Alex Proyas *(v)**Inception:* Christopher Nolan (v)*The Selfish Giant:* Clio Barnard (v)*The Lobster:* Yorgos Lanthimos (v)*The Snowpiercer:* Bong Joon-Ho*The Island*: Michael Bay (v)*The Giver:* Lois Lowry/Noyce (p/v)*Nerve:* Ariel Schulman (v)*District 9:* Neill Blomkamp (v)**Rejection of creation** *We Need to Talk About Kevin*: Shriver (p/v)*Frankenstein*: Mary Shelley (p/v)*Monster:* Walter Dean Myers (p/v)**Evils of class system**:*Gosford Park*: Robert Altman (v)*Royal Tenenbaums:* Wes Anderson (v)*The Butler:* Lee Daniels (v)*Snowpiercer:* Bong Joon-Ho (v) | **Outsider in Society: Rebels/Outcasts***Silver Linings Playbook:* David O’Russell (v)*Birdman:* Alejandro Inarritu (v)*Charlie’s Country:* Rolf de Heer (v)*The Dressmaker:* Rosalie Ham (p/v)*The Society of Others:* William Nicholson (p)*The Catcher in the Rye:* J.D. Salinger (p)*Trainspotting:* Irvine Welsh (p/v)*Of Mice and Men:* John Steinbeck (p/v)*One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest:* Ken Kesey (p/v/d)*The Hunchback of Notre Dame:* Victor Hugo (p/v)*The Outsider:* Albert Camus (p/v)*The Scarlet Letter:* Nathaniel Hawthorne (p/v)*The Elephant Man:* Tim Vicary (p/v/d)*Fight Club:* Chuck Palahniuk (p)**Obsession** *The Picture of Dorian Gray:* Oscar Wilde (p/v)*The Dark Knight:* Christopher Nolan(v)*Tulip Fever:* Deborah Moggach (v/p)*The Prestige:* Christopher Nolan (v) *Black Swan:* Darren Aronofsky (v)*Perfume*: Patrick Suskind (p/v)*I, Tonya:* Craig Gillespie (v)*Mary Shelley:* [Haifaa al-Mansour](https://www.google.com/search?safe=strict&rlz=1C1GCEA_enAU885AU885&sxsrf=ALeKk00DTYLeOCNqiE8bkmdAjUDEwaL84g:1596431412623&q=Haifaa+al-Mansour&stick=H4sIAAAAAAAAAOPgE-LVT9c3NEzOKc8pSMoqUuLSz9U3MC5PKalK0hLLTrbST8vMyQUTVimZRanJJflFi1gFPRIz0xITFRJzdH0T84rzS4t2sDICAJP5f4NMAAAA&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwjDtoe6ov7qAhWRf30KHau0Bv0QmxMoATAtegQIGhAD) (v)*The Great Gatsby:* F. Scott Fitzgerald (p/v) *The Collector:* John Fowles (p/v)*The Hurt Locker:* Kathryn Bigelow (v)*Moby Dick:* Herman Melville (p/v)*Notes on a Scandal:* Zoe Heller (p/v)*Enduring Love:* Ian McEwan (p/v)*Heart of Darkness:* Joseph Conrad (p)*Moby Dick:* Melville (p/v)*Wuthering Heights:* Emily Bronte (p/v)*Requiem for a Dream:* Hubert Selby Jr. (v)*Possession:* A.S.Byatt (p/v)*The Little Stranger:* Sarah Waters (p)*The Vegetarian:* Han Kang (p)*Nightcrawler:* Dan Gilroy (v)*Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas:* Hunter S.Thompson (p)*Prisoners:* Denis Villeneuve (v)*American Beauty:* Sam Mendes (v)*The Talented Mr Ripley:* Patricia Highsmith (p/v)*The Memory Room:* Christopher Koch (p) *The Secret in their Eyes:* Eduardo Sacheri (p/v)*The Phantom of the Opera:* Gaston Leroux (p/v)*Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*: Brendt (p)*Macbeth:* Shakespeare (d/v)*Carry Me Down:* Maria J Hyland (p)*Millions:* Danny Boyle (v)*The White Earth:* Andrew McGahan (p)*The Mosquito Coast:* Theroux (p/v)*Lolita:* Nabokov(p)*The sorrows of young Werther:* Wolfgang von Goethe(p)*V for Vendetta:* James McTeigue (v)*Othello:* William Shakespeare (p/v) |
|  **FEMALE OPPRESSION / TRAPPED BY SOCIETY**  |
| **Female oppression***Suffragette:* Sarah Gavron (v) *Cabaret:* Bob Fosse (v)*Falling Angels*: Tracy Chevalier (p)*Burial Rites:* Hannah Kent (p)*Iron Jawed Angels:* Katja von Garnier(v) *A Quiet Passion:* Terence Davies (v)*1000 Splendid Suns:* Khaled Hosseini (p)*Raise the Red Lantern:* Zhang Yimou (v) *Anna Karenina:* Leo Tolstoy (p/v)*The Piano*: Jane Campion (v)*The Wife:* Meg Wolitzer (p/v)*Revolutionary Road:* Richard Yates (p/v)*The House of the Spirits:* Isabel Allende (p/v)*Possessing the Secret of Joy:* Alice Walker (p)*The Handmaid’s Tale:* Margaret Atwood (p/v)*Alias Grace:* Margaret Atwood (p/v)*Tess of the D’Urbervilles:* Thomas Hardy (p/v)*The 19th Wife:* David Ebershoff (p)*The Dressmaker:* Jocelyn Moorhouse (p/v)*The Glass Menagerie:* Tennessee Williams (d)*Rebecca:* Dame Daphne du Maurier (p/v)*Like Water for Chocolate:* Laura Esquivel (p/v)*Wuthering Heights:* Emily Bronte (p/v)*Top Girls:* Caryl Churchill (d)*The Tenant of Wildfell Hall:* Anne Bronte (p)*The Help:* Kathryn Stockett (p/v)*Osama:* Siddiq Barmak (v)*Once Were Warriors:* Lee Tamahori (v)*The tale of Murasaki:* Liza Dalby (p)*Someone Knows My Name:* Lawrence Hill (p)*Memoirs of a Geisha:* Arthur Golden (p/v)*The Space Between Us:* Thrity Umrigar (p)*A Raisin in the Sun:* Lorraine Hansberry (d)*Taming of the Shrew:* William Shakespeare (d/v)*Educating Rita:* Willy Russell (d)*Moulin Rouge:* Baz Luhrmann (v)*Lillian’s Story:* Kate Grenville (p)*Pygmalion:* G. B. Shaw (d/v) | **Ensnared by society’s expectations / culture***Birdman:* Alejandro Inarritu (v)*The Shape of Water:* Guillermo del Toro (v)*On Chesil Beach:* Ian McEwan (p/v) *Blue Jasmine:* Woody Allen (v)*Into the wild:* Jon Krakauer (v/p)*Loving Vincent:* Hugh Welchman (v)*The Awakening:* Kate Chopin (p)*The Swallows of Kabul:* Yasmina Khadra(p)*Water:* Deepa Mehta (v)*My Brilliant Career:* Miles Franklin (p/v)*Pride and Prejudice:* Jane Austen (p/v) *Sense and Sensibility:*  Jane Austen (p/v) *Revolutionary Road:* Richard Yates (p/v) *Dr Zhivago:* Boris Pasternak (p/v) *Tulip Fever:* Deborah Moggach (p)*The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel:* Deborah Moggach (p/v)*The Wide Sargasso Sea;* Jean Rhys (p)*Girl with a Pearl Earring*: Tracy Chevalier (p/v)*The Secret River:* Kate Grenville (p/v)*The Great Gatsby:* Baz Luhrmann (p/v)*Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind:* Gondry(p/v) *The Lieutenant:* Kate Grenville (p)*Fefu and Her Friends:* Maria Irene Fornes (d)*The God of Small Things:* Arundhati Roy (p)*The Scarlet Letter:* Nathaniel Hawthorne (p/v)*American Beauty:* Sam Mendes (v)*The King’s Speech:* Tom Hooper (v)*Still Alice:* Lisa Genova (p/v)*Hidden Figures:* Theodore Melfi (v)*Philomena:* Stephen Frears (v)*Death of a Salesman:* Arthur Miller (v/d)*Loving:* Jeff Nichols (v)*The Imitation Game:* Morton Tyldum (v) *Dumplin:* Anne Fletcher(v)*The Glass Menagerie:* Tennessee Williams (d)*The Silver Linings Playbook:* *Hedda Gabler:* Henrik Ibsen (d)*Great Expectations:* Charles Dickens (p/v)*Wuthering Heights:* Emily Bronte (p/v)*Monkey Grip:* Kate Grenville (p)*An Ideal Husband:* Oscar Wilde (d)*The Perfectionist:* David Williamson (d)*The Perks of being a wallflower:* Stephen Chbosky (p/v)*Goodwill Hunting:* Gus van Sant (v) |
|  **CULTURE & OPPRESSION**  |  **SLAVERY** |
| *Sweet Country:* Warwick Thornton (v)*Osama:* Siddiq Barmak (v)*1000 Splendid Suns*: Khaled Hosseini (p)*Possessing the Secret of Joy*: Alice Walker (p)*Water*: Deepa Mehta (v)*Selma:* Ava DuVernay (v)*Fences:* August Wilson (d /v)*Namesake:* Jhumpa Lahiri (p/v)*A Fine Balance:* Rohinton Mistry(p)*Born under a million shadows:* Andrea Busfield (p)*The Swallows of Kabul:* Yasmina Khadra (p)*The Ministry of Utmost Happiness:* Arundhati Roy (p)*The Butler:* Lee Daniels (v)*The Invention of Wings:* Sue Monk Kidd (p)*The Help*: Kathryn Stockett (p/v)*Slumdog Millionaire:* Vikas Swarup (p/v) | *Somebody Knows My Name:* Lawrence Hill (p)*The Underground Railroad:* Colson Whitehead (p)*The Butler:* Lee Daniels (v)*The Tracker:* Rolf de Heer (v)*The Invention of Wings:* Sue Monk Kidd (p)*The Slave:* Isaac Singer Bashevis (p)*The Help*: Kathryn Stockett (p/v)*Cane River:* Lalita Tademy (p)*The Known World:* Edward P Jones (p)*The Confessions of Nat Turner:* William Styron (p)*The Invention of Wings:* Sue Monk Kidd (p)*12 Years a Slave:* Solomon Northup (p/v)*Selma:* Ava DuVernay (v)*Django Unchained:* Quentin Tarantino (v)*Gladiator:* Ridley Scott (v)*Amistad:* Steven Spielberg (v)*Amazing Grace:* Micvbhael Apted (v)*Beloved:* Toni Morrison (p/v)*Property:* Valerie Martin (p)*Hidden Figures:* Theodore Melfi (v) |
| **INFLUENCE OF ONE’S PAST ON THE PRESENT / ATONEMENT** |
| *Road to Perdition:* Thomas Newman (p/v)*The Light Between Oceans:* (p/v)*Kodachrome:* Mark Raso (v)*The Great Gatsby:* F Scott Fitzgerald (p)*The Last Magician:* Janette Turner Hospital (p)*Breath:* Tim Winton (p)*Saint Maybe:* Anne Tyler (p)*Romulus my father:* Raimond Gaita (p/v)*The Dressmaker:* Rosalie Ham (p/v)*The Railway Man:* Jonathan Teplitzky (p/v)*The Kite Runner:* Khaled Hosseini (p/v)*Hanna’s Daughters:* Marianne Fredriksson (p/v)*The Perks of Being a Wallflower:* Stephen Chbosky(p/v)*The King’s Speech:* Tom Hooper (v)*Oranges and sunshine:* Jim Loach (v)*The House of the Spirits:* Allende (p/v)*All the Light We Cannot See:* Anthony Doerr (p)*The Memory Keeper’s Daughter:* Kim Edwards (p/v)*I am Sam:* Jessie Nelson (v)*Moth:* Declan Greene (d)*Inception:* Nolan (v)*Triage:* Scott Anderson (p/v)*Brothers:* Jim Sheridan (v)*Beloved:* Toni Morrison (p/v)*The Sound of One Hand Clapping:* Richard Flanagan (p/v) | *Lantana*: Ray Lawrence (v)*The Fisher King:* Richard LaGravenese(v)*Two Brothers:* Hannie Rayson (d)*Atonement:* Ian McEwan (p/v)*Road to Perdition:* Sam Mendes(v)*The Reader:* Bernhard Schlink (p/v)*Angela’s Ashes:* Frank McCourt (p/v)*Big Fish:* Tim Burton (v)*Crime and Punishment:* Dostoevsky (p/v)*Slumdog Millionaire (Q and A):* Vikas Swarup (p/v)*The Soloist:* Joe Wright (v)*Triage:* Scott Anderson (p/v)*Lord Jim:* Joseph Conrad (p)*Gran Torino:* Clint Eastwood (v)*Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind:* M. Gondry (v) *The Mission:* Roland Joffe(v)*The Tempest:* William Shakespeare (d/v)*Hagseed:* Margaret Atwood (p)*Sense and Sensibility:* Jane Austen (p/v)*Wuthering Heights:* Emily Bronte (p/v) |
| **GROWING UP & COMING OF AGE** | **INDIVIDUALS VS SOCIETY and****CHARISMATIC CHARACTERS / UNLIKELY HEROES** |
| *The Shepherd’s Hut:* Tim Winton (p)*Ladybird:* Greta Gerwig (v)*Lion:* Garth Davis (v)*Pride and Prejudice:* Jane Austen (p/v)*Jane Eyre:* Charlotte Bronte (p/v)*American Born Chinese:* Gene Luen Yang(graphic novel)*Girl with a Pearl Earring:* Tracy Chevalier (p/v)*Siddhartha:* Hermann Hesse (p)*Great Expectations:* Charles Dickens (p/v)*Jasper Jones:* Craig Silvey (p/v)*My name is Asher Lev:* Chaim Potok (p)*Donnie Darko:* Richard Kelly (v)*The Society of Others:* William Nicholson (p)*Good Will Hunting:* Gus van Sant (v)*The Bell Jar:* Sylvia Plath (p)*The Catcher in the Rye:* J.D. Salinger (p)*Franny and Zooey:* J.D. Salinger (p)*The Secret Life of Bees:* Sue Monk Kidd (p)*Romulus My Father:* Raimond Gaita(p/v)*The Chosen:* Chaim Potok (p)*Babel:* Alejandro González Iñárritu (v)*The Royal Tenenbaums:* Wes Anderson (v)*The Perks of Being a Wallflower:* Stephen Chbosky (p/v)*Slumdog Millionaire*: Vikas Swarup (v/p)*The Book Thief:* Markus Zusak (p/v)*The Shepherd’s Hut:* Tim Winton (p)*Maestro:* Peter Goldsworthy (p) | **Indviduals v society***Good Night and Good Luck:* Clooney (v)*Year of Wonders:* Geraldine Brooks (p)*Handmaid’s Tale:* Margaret Atwood (p/v)*The Scarlet Letter:* Nathaniel Hawthorne (p/v)*Burial Rites:* Hannah Kent (p)*The Good People:* Hannah Kent (p)*The Help:* Kathryn Stockett (p/v)*American Beauty:* Sam Mendes (v)*The Great Gatsby:* F. Scott Fitzgerald (p/v)*Cabaret:* Bob Fosse (v)*Death of a Salesman:* Arthur Miller (d/v)*The Year of Living Dangerously:* Christopher Koch (p/v)*1984:* George Orwell (p/v)*The Misfits:* Arthur Miller (v)*The Moon is Down:* John Steinbeck (p)*The Outsider:* Albert Camus (p)*An Enemy of the People:* Henrik Ibsen (d)**Charismatic characters and unlikely heroes***The Great Gatsby*: F. Scott Fitzgerald (v/p)*The Catcher in the Rye*: J. D. Salinger (p)*The Crucible*: Arthur Miller (d/v)*Dead Poets Society*: Peter Weir (v)*Sully: miracle on the Hudson:* Clint Eastwood (v)*Gran Torino:* Clint Eastwood (v)*Unforgiven:* Clint Eastwood (v)*Hotel Rwanda:* Terry George (v)*Hotel Mumbai:* Anthony Maras (v)*Cry Freedom:* Richard Attenborough (p/v)*Malcolm X:* Spike Lee (v)*The Pianist:* Roman Polanski (p/v)*Gladiator:* Ridley Scott (v) |
| **MENTAL ILLNESS / DELUSION / INCARCERATION** |  **THE PRICE OF PRINCIPLE** |
| *Blue Jasmine:* Woody Allen (v)*Birdman:* Alejandro Inarritu (v)*King Lear*: Shakespeare (d/v)*Tender is the Night*: F Scott Fitzgerald (p/v)*Hamlet*: William Shakespeare (d/v) *Hook’s Mountain*: James McQueen (v)*The Outsider*: Albert Camus (p)*The Fixer*: Bernard Malamud (p)*The Bell Jar*: Sylvia Plath (p)*Equus*: Peter Shaffer (d/v)*Owls do Cry*: Janet Frame (p)*An Angel at My Table:* Janet Frame (p/v)*I Never Promised You a Rose Garden*: Hannah Green (p)*Frances:* Graham Clifford (v)*The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test*: Tom Woolfe (p)*The Treatment and the Cure*: Peter Kocan (p)*Joker:* Todd Phillips (v)*The Shiny Guys*: Doug MacLeod (p)*Everybody sees the ants*: A. S. King (p)*Catch 22*: Joseph Heller (p/v) | *Children Act:* Ian McEwan (p/v)*Knowledge of Angels:* Jill Paton Walsh (p/v)*A Man for All Seasons:* Robert Bolt (d/v)*The Mission:* Roland Joffe (v)*Erin Brockovich:* Steven Soderbergh (v)*Amazing Grace:* Michael Apted (v)*Lincoln:* Steven Spielberg (v)*Snow Falling on Cedars:* David Gutterson (p/v)*A Man for All Season:* Robert Bolt (d/v)*A tale of two cities:* Charles Dickens (p/v)*12 Angry Men:* Reginald Rose (d/v)*The Outsider:* Albert Camus (p)*The Insider:* Michael Mann (v)*In Cold Blood:* Truman Capote (p) = ethics*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Hacks:* Rebecca Skloot (p) = ethics*Paradise Lost:* John Milton (p) = ethics*Great Expectations:* Charles Dickens (p/v) = lies*Pride and Prejudice:* Jane Austen (p/v) = lies*Heart of Darkness:* Joseph Conrad (p) = lies*One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest:* Ken Kesey (p/v) |
|  **WAR / JOURNEYS: PHYSICAL & SPIRITUAL** |
| **American Civil War***The Silent:* Jack Dann (p)*Cold Mountain:* Charles Frazier (p/v)*The Red Badge of Courage:* Stephen Crane (p/v)*Free State of Jones:* Gary Ross (v)*Glory:* Edward Zwick (v)**World War I***1917:* Sam Mendes (v)*Birdsong:* Sebastian Faulks (p)*Gallipoli:* Peter Weir (v)*Beneath Hill 60*: Jeremy Sims (v)*The Ghost Road:* Pat Barker (p)*Regeneration:* Pat Barker (p)*ANZAC’s:* John Dixon (v)*War Horse:* Steven Spielberg (v)*Beneath Hill 60*: Jeremy Sims (v)*All Quiet on the Western Front* (p/v)*Strange Meeting:* Susan Hill (p)*The English Patient:* Michael Ondaatje (p/v)*When Blackbirds sing:* Martin Boyd (p)*The One Day of the Year:* Alan Seymour (d)*Breaker Morant:* Bruce Beresford (v)**World War II***Hacksaw Ridge:* Mel Gibson (v)*Fury:* David Ayer (v)*Unbroken:* Laura Hillenbrand (p/v)*Catch 22:* Joseph Heller (p/v)*Dunkirk:* Christopher Nolan (v)*Saving Private Ryan:* Spielberg (v)*Far to Go:* Alison Pick (p)*The Narrow Road to the Deep North:* Flanagan (p)*Past the Headlands:* Garry Disher (p)*All the Light We Cannot See:* Anthony Doerr (p)*Schindler’s List:* Thomas Keneally (p/v)*Europa, Europa:* Agnieszka Holland (v)*Water Diviner:* Russell Crowe (v)*Sarah’s Key:* Gilles Paquet-Brenner(v)*Slaughterhouse V:* Kurt Vonnegut (p)*My Brother Jack:* George Johnston (p/v)*Atonement:* Ian McEwan (p/v)*Flags of the Fathers:* Eastwood (v)*The Thin Red Line:* Terrence Malick (v)*Suite Francaise:* Saul Dibb (v) | **Vietnam** *Born on the 4th of July:* Oliver Stone(v)*Dispatches:* Michael Herr (p: memoir)*A rumor of war:* Philip Caputo (p: memoir)*Homecoming:* Adib Khan (p)**Afghanistan***Brothers:* Jim Sheridan(v)*War Machine:* David Michod (v)*The Hornet’s Nest:* David Salzberg (v)*Korengal*: Sebastian Junger (v)*Hell and back again:* Danfung Dennis (v)**Iraq***Greenzone:* Rajiv Chandrasekaran (p)*Jarhead:* Anthony Swofford (p/v)*The Hurt Locker:* Kathryn Bigelow (v)*Triage:* Scott Anderson (p/v)*American Sniper:* Clint Eastwood (v)*The Yellow Birds:* Kevin Powers (p/v)*Thank you for your service:* Jason Hall (v)**Power of Nature / Survival / Spiritual Journey***The Mission:* Roland Joffe (v)*A Bag of Marbles:* Christine Duguay (v)*Into the Wild:* Jon Krakauer (p/v)*Wild:* Jean-Marc Vallee (v)*Life of Pi:* Yann Martel (p/v)*The Old Man and the Sea:* Ernest Hemingway (p)*The Way Back:* Peter Weir (v)*The Perfect Storm:* Wolfgang Petersen (v)*The Tracker:* Rolf de Heer (v)*The Way:* Emilio Estevez (v)*The Revenant:* Alejandro González Iñárritu(v)*Train to Pakistan:* Khushwant Singh (v)*Wild Cat Falling:* Mudrooroo (p)*Heart of Darkness:* Joseph Conrad (p)*The Grey:* Joe Carnahan (p) survival in Alaska |