etting. Hannah W 1 and Never Let Me Go both t locations, settings and EnGlish A Leve General EDEXCEL Mark Scheme for Prose Comparative question (Frankenstein and Never Let Me Go) No rewardable material.

Descriptive

Makes little reference to texts with limited organisation of ideas.
Limited use of appropriate concepts and terminology with frequent errors and lapses of expression.

Uses a narrative or descriptive approach that shows limited knowledge of texts and how meanings are shaped in texts. Shows a lack of understanding of the writer's craft.

General understanding/ exploration

Makes general points, identifying some literary techniques with general explanation of effects. Aware of some appropriate concepts and terminology. Organises and expresses ideas with clarity, although still has errors and lapses.

Gives surface readings of texts relating to how meanings are shaped in texts. Shows general understanding by commenting on straightforward elements of the writer's craft.

Clear relevant application/exploration

Offers a clear response using relevant textual examples. Relevant use of terminology and concepts. Creates a logical, clear structure with few errors and lapses in expression.

Demonstrates knowledge of how meanings are shaped in texts with consistent analysis. Shows clear understanding of the writer's craft.

Discriminating controlled application/exploration

Constructs a controlled argument with fluently embedded examples. Discriminating use of concepts and terminology. Controls structures with precise cohesive transitions and carefully chosen language.

Demonstrates discriminating understanding of how meanings are shaped in texts. Analyses, in a controlled way, the nuances and subtleties of the writer's craft.

Critical and evaluative

Presents a critical evaluative argument with sustained textual examples. Evaluates the effects of literary features with sophisticated use of concepts and terminology. Uses sophisticated structure and expression.

Exhibits a critical evaluation of the ways meanings are shaped in texts. Displays a sophisticated understanding of the writer's craft. Level Mark Descriptor (AO1, AO2) to open the novel by using an Level 1 1-4 er to his sister from the Arctic, then Walton describes himself ing the extreme conditions of A02 Level 2 5-8 setting, also the theme of ship pass. By using symbolic analys is builds up an atmosphere to Working these themes are portrayed Level 3 9-12 a this such as the Arctic, Shelley level, AU3 s within the story. This is WIL somo nearly 9000 possis mode was believed to be Level 4 13-16 Haraphan . vel, highlights the very strong / 10 he illey from the start of her novel conexi w. Samo 'wess/5' Sun on and boundaries are also Level 5 17-20 of setting, for instance, "the old enunday at trongs, Har paration of the clones from and a Exhibits a critical evaluation of the ways meanings are shaped in texts. Displays a sophisticated understanding of the writer's craft few points Present the ways in which the clones to the margins of clones are AO4 = bullet point 2 AO3 = bullet point 1 Descriptor (AO3, AO4) h Mark the could Level Descriptive

Shows limited awareness of contextual factors.

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General exploration

Has general awareness of the significance and influence of contextual factors. Makes general links between texts and contexts.

Identifies general connections between texts. Makes general cross-references between texts.

Clear relevant exploration

Demonstrates a clear exploration of the significance and influence of contextual factors. Develops relevant links between texts and contexts.

Makes relevant connections between texts. Develops an integrated approach with clear examples.

Discriminating exploration

Provides a discriminating analysis of the significance and influence of contextual factors. Makes detailed links between texts and contexts.

Analyses connections between texts. Takes a controlled discriminating approach to integration with detailed examples.

Critical and evaluative

Presents a sophisticated evaluation and appreciation of the significance and influence of contextual factors. Makes sophisticated links between texts and contexts. Level 2 5-8 e faced with a "barbed wire, and can General exploration Ew Mar place. The physical barriers analyse dendepov. inctions of setting that Ishiguro His Level 3 9-12 Good conne-chins, nor all ways image. ties through simple but ar way are they Integrated. 13-16 recognition in Frankenstein. This is seen in of the mourning his brother's death. 17-20 Level 5 Bemans c sky" This biblical reference Monamon . Ig and powerful. The analogical Evaluates connections between texts. Exhibits a sophisticated connective approach with sophisticated use of examples. sense of sublimity, a very , was a strong believer in nature being the most sublime, capable of generating the strongest sensations in its beholders due to natures awe, terror and power. Shelley's loyarty in the sublime influenced the settings she used to portray the omnipotence of God and his nature, pother example of this would be when the creature is born through Victor, "the rain poured from a black and comfortless sky." This analogical function alludes to the idea that because Victor essentially usurped God by creating life, God is no Cexica longer with him, hence the lexis "comfortless" suggesting that Victor is now alone because he analy510 betrayed his God and the laws of lie. In Never Let Me Go, Kazuo Ishiguro also uses analogical functions of setting, for instance, in Madame's house near the end of the novel there is an increase in the reference to darkness, "she pointed again into the darkness [...] you could hardly make it all out." The reference to darkness suggests an end to things, whether it be a resolution or not the

Compare the ways in which the writers of your two chosen texts use setting. Hannah W Despite being written almost two hundred years apart, Frankenstein and Never Let Me Go both contain analogical, symbolic and structural devices to portray different locations, settings and themes such as isolation and sin. Mary Shelley employs symbolic functions of settings in Frankenstein to open the novel by using an epistolary form. At the beginning of the novel, Walton is writing a letter to his sister from the Arctic, the Arctic as a location introduces the theme of isolation, noticeably when Walton describes himself being "surrounded by ice, which closed in the ships on all sides." By using the extreme conditions of "ice" in this location, Shelley further highlights the remoteness of the setting, also the theme of barriers is introduced through the physical walls of ice not letting the ship pass. By using symbolic analysis functions to open the novel, Shelley creates context for the novel and builds up an atmosphere to connote the themes of barriers and the power of nature. Even though these themes are portrayed throughout the whole novel, by starting the novel in harsh conditions such as the Arctic, Shelley allows the reader to become familiar with the power that nature holds within the story. This is significant because in the time Shelley was writing Frankenstein, God was believed to be synonymous with nature. By using a symbolic function to open the novel, highlights the very strong belief that to defy God was to defy nature, this was made clear by Shelley from the start of her novel through the use of symbolic functions of setting. The themes of isolation and boundaries are also portrayed in Never Let Me Go through the use of Symbolic functions of setting, for instance, "the old disused bus shelter", or "the deserted boat" conveyed the sense of separation of the clones from wider society. The lexis "disused" implies the place is neglected and uncared for, which creates a parallel to the clones, these symbolic functions of setting all push the clones to the margins of clones of setting all push the clones to the margins of Clones are society, expressing the theme of isolation. The theme of barriers is also written in to Never Let Me Go through settings, literal barriers are used in this novel, for instance, fences, the theme of barriers is prominent when Ruth, Kathy and Tommy go to find the boat and are faced with a "barbed wire and can fence, which was tilted and rusted, the wire itself yanked all over the place. The physical barriers analyse the clones faced are a parallel to their mental barriers, the symbolic functions of setting that Ishiguro employs allows the reader to understand the clone's complex mentalities through simple but metaphorical locations. In What way are they In addition, Mary Shelley also employs analogical functions of setting in Frankenstein. This is seen in the novel when Victor faces a storm when he is returning to Geneva, mourning his brother's death. During the journey, Victor describes the storm as a "noble war in the sky" This biblical reference ✓ creates divine imagery for the reader, suggesting nature is both healing and powerful. The analogical function of setting here to describe the storm and the lake suggests a sense of sublimity, a very strong principle within romanticism. Shelley, being a romantic herself, was a strong believer in nature being the most sublime, capable of generating the strongest sensations in its beholders due to natures awe, terror and power. Shelley's loyarty in the sublime influenced the settings she used to portray the omnipotence of God and his nature, another example of this would be when the creature is born through Victor, "the rain poured from a black and comfortless sky." This analogical function alludes to the idea that because Victor essentially usurped God by creating life, God is no longer with him, hence the lexis "comfortless" suggesting that Victor is now alone because he betrayed his God and the laws of lie. In Never Let Me Go, Kazuo Ishiguro also uses analogical analy5,0 functions of setting, for instance, in Madame's house near the end of the novel there is and increase in the reference to darkness, "she pointed again into the darkness [...] you could hardly make it all out." The reference to darkness suggests an end to things, whether it be a resolution or not the

EXCEL Mark Scheme for **Prose** Comparative question HANNAM W ader is unsure due to the uncertainty given through the references of unfamiliarity within this please ocation. In conclusion, both writers, kazuo Ishiguro and Mary Shelley, use symbolic and analogical functions of setting to present locations, and to portray themes such as isolation, barriers and neglect. In my opinion, Mary Shelley's Frankenstein, uses locations and settings more effectively because the use of symbolic and analogical functions allows the reader to understand the power and influence of nature, and its place within the world in comparison to everything else. The awe and power given to Au I nature in this novel allows the reader to fully understand Shelley's romantic beliefs of sublimity and nature's omnipotence in the hands of God.