

Year 10 GCSE Literature Assignment

Write an essay on the following topic:

Discuss the different ways in which H G Wells creates an atmosphere of mystery and fear in "The Red Room".

In writing this you should consider not only how the writer sets the scene of his story, but how he builds up suspense and creates shocks and excitement for the reader in the way he tells the tale.

You should bear in mind the following:

You will get good marks if your essay is

Logically developed- make sure you plan the order of things you wish to cover in the essay before you begin writing it so that you cover similar points together or so that ideas that are connected follow on from each other and you are not repeating yourself over the course of the essay. Make sure also that you begin your essay with a short introductory paragraph and finish with a conclusion that summarises your opinions.

Well argued- make sure that each point you make is supported by evidence from the text in the form either of a quote or a reference to an incident from the story. **Do not quote page numbers.**

Well written- ensure it is written in an appropriate style: this is a **formal essay**. Write it in full sentences using paragraphs and using Standard English. Do not use bullet point format and do not use slang words or contracted words- eg "can't", "don't". Check that your spelling, punctuation and grammar are correct.

Assignment length: about 1000 words (about 4 sides of A4 paper). Word process if possible.

Assignment deadline: The essay should be produced as a **first** draft, but write it in full and make it neat and check it for punctuation and grammar. It must be handed in on

