



An Chomhairle Náisiúnta Curaclaim agus Measúnachta
National Council for Curriculum and Assessment

Leaving Certificate English: Poetry Courses for examination 2015 - 2018

LEAVING CERTIFICATE ENGLISH – POETRY 2015 – 2018

Poets for 2015 – 2018

- Bishop
- Boland
- Dickinson
- Donne
- Durcan
- Eliot
- Frost
- Hardy
- Hopkins
- Keats
- Larkin
- Montague
- Ní Chuilleanáin
- Plath
- Yeats

Poets prescribed for Higher Level, to be examined in the following years

2015

Dickinson
Donne
Frost
Hardy
Montague
Ní Chuilleanáin
Plath
Yeats

2016

Bishop
Dickinson
Durcan
Eliot
Larkin
Ní Chuilleanáin
Plath
Yeats

2017

Bishop
Boland
Donne
Durcan
Eliot
Hopkins
Keats
Plath

2018

Boland
Durcan
Frost
Hopkins
Keats
Larkin
Montague
Ní Chuilleanáin

Poetry 2015 - 2018

Poets [Higher Level]

BISHOP, Elizabeth

The Fish
The Bight
At the Fishhouses
The Prodigal
Questions of Travel
The Armadillo
Sestina
First Death in Nova Scotia
Filling Station
In the Waiting Room

BOLAND, Eavan

The War Horse
Child of Our Time
The Famine Road
The Shadow Doll
White Hawthorn in the West of Ireland
Outside History
The Black Lace Fan my Mother Gave Me
This Moment
The Pomegranate
Love

DICKINSON, Emily

“Hope” is the thing with feathers
There’s a certain Slant of light
I felt a Funeral, in my Brain
A Bird came down the Walk
I Heard a fly buzz – when I died
The Soul has Bandaged moments
I could bring You Jewels – had I a mind to
A narrow Fellow in the Grass
I taste a liquor never brewed
After great pain, a formal feeling comes

DONNE, John

The Sunne Rising
Song: Go, and catch a falling star
The Anniversarie
Song: Sweetest love, I do not goe
The Dreame (Deare love, for nothing less than
thee...)
A Valediction Forbidding Mourning
The Flea
Batter my heart
At the round earth's imagined corners
Thou hast made me

DURCAN, Paul

Nessa
The Girl with the Keys to Pearse's Cottage
The Difficulty that is Marriage
Wife Who Smashed Television Gets Jail
Parents
En Famille, 1979
Madman
"Windfall", 8 Parnell Hill, Cork
Six Nuns Die in Convent Inferno
Sport
Father's Day, 21 June 1992
The Arnolfini Marriage
Ireland 2002
Rosie Joyce
The MacBride Dynasty

ELIOT, Thomas S

The Lovesong of J. Alfred Prufrock
Preludes
Aunt Helen
from The Waste Land II. A Game of Chess
Journey of the Magi
from Landscapes
III Usk
IV Rannoch, by Glencoe
from The Four Quartets East Coker IV

FROST, Robert

The Tuft of Flowers
Mending Wall
After Apple-Picking
The Road Not Taken
Birches
'Out, Out-'
Spring Pools
Acquainted with the Night
Design
Provide, Provide

HARDY, Thomas

Drummer Hodge
The Darkling Thrush
The Self-Unseeing
Channel Firing
The Convergence of the Twain
Under the Waterfall
The Oxen
During Wind and Rain
Afterwards
When I Set Out for Lyonesse

HOPKINS, Gerard Manley

God's Grandeur
Spring
As kingfishers catch fire, dragonflies draw flame
The Windhover
Pied Beauty
Felix Randal
Inversnaid
I wake and feel the fell of dark, not day
No worst there is none. Pitched past pitch of grief
Thou art indeed just, Lord, if I contend

KEATS, John

To one who has been long in city pent
Ode To A Nightingale
On First Looking into Chapman's Homer
Ode On A Grecian Urn
When I have fears that I may cease to be
La Belle Dame Sans Merci
To Autumn
Bright star, would I were steadfast as thou art

LARKIN, Philip

Wedding-Wind
At Grass
Church Going
An Arundel Tomb
The Whitsun Weddings
MCMXIV
Ambulances
The Trees
The Explosion
Cut Grass

MONTAGUE, John

Killing the Pig
The Trout
The Locket
The Cage
Windharp
All Legendary Obstacles
The Same Gesture
The Wild Dog Rose
Like Dolmens Round My Childhood
A Welcoming Party

NÍ CHUILLEANÁIN, Eiléan

Lucina Schynning in Silence of the Night
The Second Voyage
Deaths and Engines
Street
Fireman's Lift
All for You
Following
Kilcash
Translation
The Bend in the Road
On Lacking the Killer Instinct
To Niall Woods and Xenya Ostrovskaia,
married in Dublin on 9 September 2009

PLATH, Sylvia

Black Rook in Rainy Weather
The Times Are Tidy
Morning Song
Finisterre
Mirror
Pheasant
Elm
Poppies in July
The Arrival of the Bee Box
Child

YEATS, William Butler

The Lake Isle of Innisfree
September 1913
The Wild Swans at Coole
An Irish Airman Foresees his Death
Easter 1916
The Second Coming
Sailing to Byzantium
from Meditations in Time of Civil War:
VI, The Stare's Nest by My Window
In Memory of Eva Gore-Booth and Con Markiewicz
Swift's Epitaph
An Acre of Grass
from Under Ben Bulbin: V and VI
Politics

Poetry prescribed for Ordinary Level, to be examined in the following years:

2015

AUDEN, W.H.	Funeral Blues
BRYCE, Colette	Self-Portrait in the Dark (with Cigarette)
DELANTY, Greg	After Viewing <i>The Bowling Match at Castlemary, Cloyne</i> (1847)
DICKINSON, Emily	I felt a Funeral, in my Brain I Heard a fly buzz – when I died
DONNE, John	The Flea Song: Go and catch a falling star
DUFFY, Carol Ann	Valentine
FROST, Robert	The Tuft of Flowers Mending Wall 'Out, Out –'
HARDIE, Kerry	Daniel's Duck
HARDY, Thomas	The Darkling Thrush During Wind and Rain
HERBERT, George	The Collar
HUGHES, Ted	The Stag
KENNELLY, Brendan	A Glimpse of Starlings
LEVERTOV, Denise	An Arrival (North Wales, 1897)
LOCHHEAD, Liz	Revelation
MONTAGUE, John	The Cage The Locket Like Dolmens Round My Childhood
MORGAN, Edwin	Strawberries

MULDOON, Paul	Anseo
MURPHY, Richard	Moonshine
NÍ CHUILLEANÁIN, Eiléan	Street The Bend in the Road To Niall Woods and Xenya Ostrovskaia, married in Dublin on 9 September 2009
O'CALLAGHAN, Julie	The Net
PLATH, Sylvia	Poppies in July Child The Arrival of the Bee Box
SHUTTLE, Penelope	Jungian Cows
WALL, William	Ghost Estate
YEATS, William Butler	The Wild Swans at Coole An Irish Airman Foresees his Death

2016

BISHOP, Elizabeth	The Fish The Prodigal Filling Station
DELANTY, Greg	After Viewing <i>The Bowling Match at Castlemary, Cloyne (1847)</i>
DICKINSON, Emily	I felt a Funeral, in my Brain I Heard a fly buzz – when I died
DURCAN, Paul	Wife Who Smashed Television Gets Jail Parents Sport
ELIOT, Thomas Stearns	Preludes Aunt Helen
HARDIE, Kerry	Daniel's Duck
HUGHES, Ted	The Stag
KAVANAGH, Patrick	Shancoduff
KENNELLY, Brendan	A Glimpse of Starlings
LARKIN, Philip	Ambulances The Explosion
LEDWIDGE, Francis	Lament for Thomas MacDonagh
LEVERTOV, Denise	An Arrival (North Wales, 1897)
MEEHAN, Paula	The Russian Doll
MURRAY, Les	Joker as told
NÍ CHUILLEANÁIN, Eiléan	Street The Bend in the Road To Niall Woods and Xenya Ostrovskaja, married in Dublin on 9 September 2009
O'REILLY, Caitriona	Interlude

PLATH, Sylvia	Poppies in July Child The Arrival of the Bee Box
SHELLEY, Percy Bysshe	Ozymandias
STAFFORD, William	Travelling Through the Dark
WALL, William	Ghost Estate
WILBUR, Richard	A Summer Morning
WOODS, Macdara	Kavanagh in Umbria
WOODS, Joseph	Letting the Cat out of the Bag
YEATS, William Butler	The Wild Swans at Coole An Irish Airman Foresees his Death

2017

BISHOP, Elizabeth	The Fish The Prodigal Filling Station
BOLAND, Eavan	Child of Our Time This Moment Love
BRYCE, Colette	Self-Portrait in the Dark (with Cigarette)
DONNE, John	The Flea Song: Go and catch a falling star
DURCAN, Paul	Wife Who Smashed Television Gets Jail Parents Sport
ELIOT, Thomas Stearns	Preludes Aunt Helen
GALLAGHER, Tess	The Hug
HARDIE, Kerry	Daniel's Duck
HOPKINS, Gerard Manley	Spring Inversnaid
KEATS, John	On First Looking into Chapman's Homer La Belle Dame Sans Merci
KENNELLY, Brendan	Night Drive
LOCHHEAD, Liz	Revelation
LONGLEY, Michael	Badger
MILTON, John	When I consider how my light is spent
MULDOON, Paul	Anseo
O'CALLAGHAN, Julie	Problems
O'REILLY, Caitriona	Interlude

PERRY, Paul	River of Light
PIERCY, Marge	Will we work together?
PLATH, Sylvia	Poppies in July Child The Arrival of the Bee Box
SIRR, Peter	Madly Singing in the City
SOTO, Gary	Oranges
STAFFORD, William	Travelling Through the Dark
WOODS, Joseph	Letting the Cat out of the Bag

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BEER, Patricia	The Voice
BOLAND, Eavan	Child of Our Time This Moment Love
COADY, Michael	New World
DUFFY, Carol Ann	Valentine
DURCAN, Paul	Wife Who Smashed Television Gets Jail Parents Sport
FROST, Robert	The Tuft of Flowers Mending Wall 'Out, Out –'
HARRISON, Tony	Book Ends 1
HERBERT, George	The Collar
HOPKINS, Gerard Manley	Spring Inversnaid
HUGHES, Ted	Hawk Roosting
KEATS, John	On First Looking into Chapman's Homer La Belle Dame Sans Merci
KENNELLY, Brendan	Night Drive
MORRISSEY, Sinead	Genetics
LARKIN, Philip	Ambulances The Explosion
MONTAGUE, John	The Cage The Locket Like Dolmens Round My Childhood
NEMEROV, Howard	The Vacuum

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O'CALLAGHAN, Julie	The Net
PIERCY, Marge	Will we work together?
SHUTTLE, Penelope	Zoo Morning
WHEATLEY, David	Chronicle
WILLIAMS, William Carlos	This is just to say...
WOODS, Macdara	Fire and Snow and Carnevale
WYLEY, Enda	Poems for Breakfast