

Responding to Text Response Questions

It is important to be able to look at a question and see what it is actually asking, be able to think of synonyms and work out how you are going to respond to each of the criteria no matter what the question is.

Question One:

'A novel can often be a divided man's conversation with himself.' In what ways does *The Reluctant Fundamentalist* explore the idea of conflicted identity?

Highlight the key terms then work out at least two synonyms for the necessary vocabulary.

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Synonyms

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Rewrite the question in your own words to explain what it is really asking you.

How would you include:

Different Interpretations: _____

Values/Context: _____

Literary Devices: _____

Question Two:

***The Reluctant Fundamentalist* warns not only against stereotypes about Muslim people and countries, but against stereotypes of all kinds. Discuss.**

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How would you include:

Different Interpretations: _____

Values/Context: _____

Literary Devices: _____

Other questions to consider: highlight and think of synonyms for key words, then rewrite the question in your own words.

Changez's failed relationship with Erica mirrors his relationship with America. Do you agree?

'Beware the dark side, young Skywalker.' In the novel, cultural identity is mainly a matter of appearance. Discuss.

Changez's narcissism means that he is divorced from reality. Discuss.
