## Year 7 and 8 Creative and Descriptive Mark Scheme

When you are marking a piece of work you need to ensure that you apply 'best fit'.

	Content	Skills
Outstanding 19-20	<ul> <li>Skilled shaping and use of structure</li> <li>Outstanding use of descriptive techniques to manipulate reader response</li> <li>Judiciously formal/informal depending on intention</li> <li>Captures setting, character etc. vividly and convincingly</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Accurate spelling and punctuation</li> <li>Skilled shaping of sentences and paragraphs for effect</li> <li>Very rare grammatical errors</li> <li>Skilled use of complex structures</li> <li>Fully consistent present/past tense</li> </ul>
Excellent 16 - 18	<ul> <li>Well structured</li> <li>Excellent use of range of descriptive techniques</li> <li>Consistent formality</li> <li>Mostly successful in capturing setting, character etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Accurate spelling of more common words – may be errors in ambitious vocabulary</li> <li>Secure and accurate sentences and paragraphs</li> <li>Variation of sentence length and structure</li> </ul>
Good 12 -15	<ul> <li>Clear evidence of structure</li> <li>Some better use of description in places</li> <li>Good use of sensory description or adjectives or simile</li> <li>Mostly appropriate formality</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mostly accurate spelling, though still some errors</li> <li>Sentences mostly accurate though sometimes less controlled in places</li> <li>Paragraphs mostly well shaped</li> <li>May have slightly inconsistent past/present tense</li> </ul>
Satisfactory 8-11	<ul> <li>Some sense of structure but may lack clear organisation</li> <li>Beginnings of better description</li> <li>Engaging in places</li> <li>Formality not always convincing/consistent/appropriate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Frequent spelling mistakes</li> <li>Beginnings of better sentence variation and control</li> <li>Some shaping of paragraphs in places, may still be one/two large blocks of text</li> <li>Inconsistent use of tense across whole piece</li> </ul>
unacceptable 7 and below	<ul> <li>Lacking clear evidence of structure – may be repetitive</li> <li>May be 'verby' and lacking in any real description</li> <li>Lacking appropriate formality</li> <li>Insufficient detail</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Spelling of more common words insecure</li> <li>Not paragraphed/not clearly organised</li> <li>No real control over or variation of sentences</li> <li>Intended tense unclear</li> </ul>