

Commentary on candidate evidence

The candidate evidence has achieved the following marks for each question of this question paper.

Candidate 2

Question 24

By referring to this extract and to elsewhere in the novel, discuss how Stevenson explores the theme of evil in humanity.

The candidate was awarded **10 out of 10 marks** for this question.

Commonality

The first point 'evil is engraved ...cannot hide it forever' is an acceptable comment on the theme of evil in humanity. It was awarded **1 mark**.

The second point 'primal instincts of anger and violence ...good side will always lose' is a further acceptable comment on the theme of evil in humanity. It was awarded **1 mark**.

A further mark could have been awarded for the point 'if we try to suppress our evil side it will come out stronger and angrier'. However, the candidate has already been awarded 2 marks for commonality.

Extract

The first point 'evil will always seep through our efforts to suppress it' is an acceptable comment on "blood foully shed in every step". It was awarded **1 mark**.

The second point 'no matter how much we evolve our primal instincts ...what make us evil' is an acceptable comment on "mere animal terror". It was awarded **1 mark**.

Elsewhere

The first point 'Hyde is an unevolved part of Jekyll filled with animalistic rage' is an acceptable comment on "ape-like". It was awarded **1 mark**.

The second point 'the way that Hyde kills Carew ...danger of humans' is a detailed/insightful comment on how Hyde cannot control his anger, linked to the wider discussion of how evil is reflected in humanity. It was awarded **2 marks**.

The third point 'instantly dislike him ...evil cannot be hidden' is a detailed/insightful comment on the idea that Hyde's 'deformity' is not physical but rather a reflection of his soul. It was awarded **2 marks**.

The fourth point is an attempt to comment on the devil caged inside Hyde. However, the comment is limited and is reliant on words lifted from the text. It was awarded 0 marks.

The fifth point 'evil does not care ...does not have empathy for others' is an acceptable comment on Enfield witnessing Hyde trample a child. It was awarded **1 mark**.