

### A-Level English Literature Workshops: New Teacher Questionnaire

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1a. The lecture and workshop(s) helped my students to develop and improve close reading and critical thinking skills.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

☐

Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

It was useful for them to be able to access complex texts and understand and realise that their analysis is relevant.

2a. The lecture and workshop(s) were useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my students' learning.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Yes, because of the content or content in particular. My students found that part particularly illuminating.

3a. The lecture and workshops(s) were received well and have changed the way my students think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Yes, well-received and my students feel that ~~they~~ they have developed their analytical skills.

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped my students to prepare for future assessments.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

A focus on close critical analysis is definitely beneficial.

5. If you have any additional comments or suggestions for improvement, please explain these below.



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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*Students were happy to work together in a challenging extract. They responded positively & gained confidence, realising they could deal with complex texts.*

2a. The lecture and workshop(s) were useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my students' learning.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*Muneeb Rose and coursework, plus thematic comparisons to set texts that deal with e.g. Jane Eyre & Othello*

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*We hadn't studied SA lot before*

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped my students to prepare for future assessments.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*Ameen Rose*

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I have improved my out loud speaking.  
Reading.

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I could analyse the text through  
asking questions.

3a. The lecture and workshops(s) have changed the way I think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I am interested in any form of literature / topic. So I found it interesting.

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Reading out loud skills / speaking clearly

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

think into symbolism of settings of context  
of authors

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

confidence speaking up



3a. The lecture and workshops(s) have changed the way I think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

representation over work

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

deeper thinking and better ability to present

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

The lecture assisted me in my use of language in my analysis of the text.

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

☐

2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

The text was really complex and had me thinking about themes and ideas that I wouldn't have thought of otherwise.

3a. The lecture and workshops(s) have changed the way I think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

It gave me more information on colonialism in South Africa with a complex mind which describes other factors in oppression.

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

It helped improve my range of techniques as I learned more e.g. allegory.

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*- helped me pull out more elaborate points, think deeper and understand language that I would've never come across before.*

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

☒

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*very thought-provoking as <sup>the</sup> discussions of African literature were very new and*

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

it was mostly independent work

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

☐

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

it was thought provoking but I did not understand the relevance



3a. The lecture and workshops(s) have changed the way I think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree

☒

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

☐

3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I already knew about the topic but it was a somewhat new insight

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

We don't do any unseen work ~~and I don't~~

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I found the text Confusing

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

☐

Neither Agree nor Disagree

☒

Disagree

☐

2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

It was thought-provoking but I didn't find it was that relevant to my learning

3a. The lecture and workshops(s) have changed the way I think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree

☐

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I already had some knowledge to the context of the text but it was interesting to learn more

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I have developed my analysis skills but I do not do unseen texts.

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Helped with ideas analysis.  
↳ for example  
stream of  
consciousness.

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

☒

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

☐

2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

It was a really  
so it challenged me.

3a. The lecture and workshops(s) have changed the way I think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

The text as a whole  
( > ) stream of consciousness

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree

☒

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

No extra questions set  
we did pick out  
points.

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*I feel like it can evaluate and justify your answers.*

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

☒

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

☐

2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*builds confidence in my own ideas.*



3a. The lecture and workshops(s) have changed the way I think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree



Neither Agree nor Disagree



Disagree



3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*developed ideas and thoughts on  
sexism racism*

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree



Neither Agree nor Disagree



Disagree



4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*built ~~up~~ confidence*

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Helps to develop ~~with~~ my analysis. with texts I haven't seen before

↳ Learning different types of literature

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

☒

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

☐

2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

It discusses topics I don't do in my lesson, so it's new and interesting.

3a. The lecture and workshops(s) have changed the way I think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree

☒

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Changed my perspective on different types of literature.

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Helps to show symbolism with the context.

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

- helps to develop my analysis skills with unseen texts.  
- learned a new type of literature.

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

- helped new option for coursework.

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Agree

☒

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Changed my perspective on different types of literature -

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Helped for new opinion for coursework.

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

help me apply my knowledge on an unknown text especially South African text which I have never studied.

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Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I could apply my knowledge of structure and language.



3a. The lecture and workshops(s) have changed the way I think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

The topic of colonisation, deeper brought and image.

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree

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Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

using an unseen text that I didn't particularly understand at first.

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*I have become more confident in discussing my conclusions which helps me then develop my points further.*

2a. I found the lecture and workshop(s) useful, thought-provoking, and relevant to my learning.

Agree

☒

Neither Agree nor Disagree

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Disagree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*Context really plays a big part in novels which I don't usually think about much.*

3a. The lecture and workshops(s) have changed the way I think about a particular topic, text, and/or issue.

Agree



Neither Agree nor Disagree



Disagree



3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*Modern literature I drifted away from however, this workshop has altered my mind.*

4a. The lecture and workshop(s) have helped to prepare me for future assessments.

Agree



Neither Agree nor Disagree



Disagree



4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*I'll now take into <sup>context</sup> consideration more than before.*

5. If you have any additional comments or suggestions for improvement, please explain these below.

*This has been really helpful, I came in extremely nervous and now ~~however~~ I am pleased with myself. You were both considerate and provided help which I appreciate.*

*Thank you 😊*