**Northlakes High School**

**Assessment Task 3**

**Year 8 English**

**Subject/Course: Year 8 English (Supported Learning Class)**

**Unit or Topic: There’s No Such Thing – Novel Study**

**Assessment Task Number: 3**

**Assessment Task Name: Critical Reading Task (with unseen text)**

**Weighting: 20%**

**Due Date: Week 9, Term 1, 2017**

**Objectives**

* **Objective B-** use language to shape and make meaning according to purpose, audience and context
* **Objective C -** think in ways that are imaginative, creative, interpretive and critical

**Outcomes Assessed:**

* EN4-3B: uses and describes language forms, features and structures of texts appropriate to a range of purposes, audiences and contexts
* EN4-5C: thinks imaginatively, creatively, interpretively and critically about information, ideas and arguments to respond to and compose texts

**Task Description: You will be given 1 lesson of class time to complete this task.**

Students will respond to a newspaper article (provided by the teacher). You will follow a series of instructions to demonstrate your knowledge and understanding of the related text.

Students are to highlight, circle and underline key words, and create a vocabulary list of difficult words. Students are encouraged to use a dictionary to determine the meaning of the words they have issues with.

**You will:**

* Identify difficult words and attempt to come up with a definition
* Highlight, circle and underline key words and ideas in the text
* Answer a series of questions about the newspaper article to demonstrate your knowledge and understanding of the content

You must include the following:

1. Include an annotated newspaper article with vocabulary list with definitions
2. Short answer responses answers in full sentences (on paper provided)
3. Extended response answers in full sentences (on paper provided)
4. Use correct grammar, punctuation and spelling

**Submission requiremenTS**

* This is a compulsory assignment for all Year 8 English students.
* This assignment is worth **20%** Yearly Mark.
* This task therefore has a significant influence on your final ranking within the class group.
* Non-completion of this task may result in a poor grade or a letter home.
* Completed assignments must be submitted early if a student knows that he or she will be absent on the due date