

# Standardised Test Strategy

10th Grade

How to spend the time, and when guessing is correct.

*Content knowledge is necessary but not sufficient. Timing decides a lot of the score.*

## **1 DO THE EASY ONES FIRST**

Every question is worth the same. Bank the certain marks.

## **2 ELIMINATE, THEN GUESS**

With no penalty for wrong answers, never leave one blank.

## **3 WATCH THE CLOCK IN CHUNKS**

Check your position at a quarter and at halfway, not constantly.

## **4 READ THE QUESTION LAST WORD FIRST**

'EXCEPT' and 'NOT' change everything.

## **5 ANSWER FROM THE PASSAGE**

In reading sections, the right answer is supported by the text, not by what you know.

In reading, if you cannot point at the line that proves it, it is not the answer.