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*There were guided points about what we should focus on and prompts*

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*Focused on an aspect of love which is fed by conflict and desire*



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Close reading and connecting context with author's intent on's.

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→ Not something I had considered so was insightful

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Different language + culture

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Fascinating to consider a text in a different language + how a close reading of this can change the meaning

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Relevant insofar as a connection to Love through the Ages

Thought-provoking: considering the influence of politics / ideology

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Apartheid / South Africa

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

Helped with unseen poetry / approaching a text closely

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analysis wasn't guided w/rt discussion, but this gave a good chance to practise these skills

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very relevant to love through the ages / barriers to love as a wider theme  
broadened context for unseen poetry

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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

informational regarding apartheid in South Africa

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

chance to practise oral, hand skills and forming points

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give forum to discuss a great poem!! Thank you!!

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*Facilitated close lang analysis, interpretation of words - listening to the sounds of it*

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Agree

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2b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*Over-riding curriculum - again became the central focus in developing the curriculum.*



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3b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*Come join*

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4b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

*Some themes covered in the poem relate to the anthology / study at A+ level, particularly the themes of reparation and passing.*

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1b. Please elaborate in further detail below:

I got to practice them, but I don't think there was really enough time to go into depth about the language etc, so we didn't really learn anything.

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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:

~~Nothing~~

Learning the background and meaning of the poem was definitely thought provoking. It was somewhat relevant to the course as a poem describing love.

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I have a ~~bit~~ slightly better understanding of the extent of Apartheid.

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This wasn't really relevant to exams.

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It was fun, and really interesting!



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*It was great to practice my skills on a new text, however I didn't learn any new skills*

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*Having discussions and hearing other people's ideas were thought provoking.*

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*Learned more about texts in different  
contexts, however it would've been good  
to have more discussion time.*

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*Helped me in analysis however perhaps not  
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the texts related closely to my A-level texts,  
however the contextual differences factors were  
new to me and therefore I read from a different  
perspective.



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provided me with more context but I feel there wasn't enough time to fully explore certain issues.

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*levels of analysis*

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*useful reminder of analysis for a level lang*

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*Stayed the same but developed my knowledge*

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*helpful for university*

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