

Year 9 Term 5 Homework

Task 2

Holiday Memory – Dylan Thomas

[AO2 - language]

Look in detail at this extract from lines 7 to 10 of the source:

Fairs were no good in the day; then they were shoddy and tired; the voices of
hoopla girls were crimped as elocutionists; no cannonball could shake the roosting
coconuts; the gondolas mechanically repeated their sober lurch; the Wall of Death
was safe as a baby's pram; the wooden animals were waiting for the night. 10

Highlight in different colours:

Descriptive vocabulary;

Powerful verbs;

Effective sentence forms.

How does the writer use language here to describe what fairs were like in the daytime?

You could include the writer's choice of:

- words and phrases
- language features and techniques
- sentence forms.