Elective 2: Exploring Transitions

*In this elective, students explore and analyse a variety of texts that portray the ways in which individuals experience transitions into new phases of life and social contexts. These transitions may be challenging, confronting, exciting or transformative and may result in growth, change and a range of consequences for the individual and others. Through exploring their prescribed text and other related texts of their own choosing, students consider how transitions can result in new knowledge and ideas, shifts in attitudes and beliefs, and a deepened understanding of the self and others. Students respond to and compose a range of texts that expand our understanding of the experience of venturing into new worlds.*

**From the above rubric for *Exploring Transition*, I have created questions for you to analyse. Elaborations on the questions could be the essay question in the HSC. For your prescribed text and for your related text, you must be able to write a HANDWRITTEN detailed explanation (at least one paragraph – using thesis statements, techniques and analysis) on each of the following;**

1. In what way has the individual transitioned into a new phase of life and social context?
2. What are their challenges now they have entered the new phase of life?
3. Exploring a new phase of life can be confronting. Explain how this was evident.
4. How was the transition exciting? Did it take time to find a level of ‘excitement’?
5. An individual transforms in a number of ways while exploring a new phase of life. Explain the different ways in which this occurs.
6. Growth is an important element which occurs in an individual’s transition. Discuss the ways the individual has grown throughout the experience.
7. From the beginning of the experience through to the end, what has changed?
8. What were the consequences the individual was faced with? Were there barriers to exploring a new phase of life?
9. How did these consequences impact on others?
10. What has the individual learnt from this transition?
11. How have they had a shift in attitude and beliefs?
12. How has it deepened the understanding of themselves and others?