



Excellent – Year 7 Reading

Task: How does the writer use language to show Subhi's feelings towards Eli?

The use of **repetition** throughout the first chapter of the book shows Subhi's devotion to Eli. The shared experiences in the detention centre give Eli a 'god-like' quality in Subhi's eyes. He worships him. The writer uses a **repetition** to present the character of Eli, **Eli, he reckons I must be going through a growth spurt... Eli's probably right about that growth spurt..."** This shows that the character of Subhi **looks up to Eli for support and for guidance as his own father isn't there to play this role. He respects him and he looks up to him** because Eli's experience mirror's Subhi's family's experience. **Eli holds a position of power** for Subhi which no one else in the camp does. The **writer wanted to show this deep bond** at the beginning of the book to highlight the importance of relationships in these detention centres where no other freedoms are allowed.

Use of **subject terminology** shows **perceptive understanding** of language choices.

Evidence from the text [**quotations**] are used effectively to show deeper understanding.

Developed **connotations** to show insightful, thoughtful understanding of the text.

Clear understanding of the **writer making choices** about language and structure and how this **affects the reader**.

Paragraphs show **clear** and **consistent depth** to the understanding which goes **beyond the explicit** meanings.

Evidence from the text is **chosen carefully**, with consideration for the deeper meaning within the text.