

# Dynamic Exam Essay Marking Guide

The following marking guide is used to ensure consistency in marking. The marks are apportioned for each question giving a maximum 100 marks (100%) per essay:

<b>FAA Essay Marking Guide</b>	<b>Total Marks 100</b>
<b>Presentation - 10 marks</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Question included at beginning of the essay</li> <li>• 12pt font, double line spacing, spelling, grammar, organisation and flow</li> <li>• Within word limit (Intro, Body, References, Footnotes and Conclusion only)</li> <li>• Source material and Bibliography</li> <li>• Charts must have planetary, and house cusps, signs, degrees and minutes clearly legible – preferably not an on-line service</li> </ul>	<b>10</b>
<b>Answering the Question - 80 marks</b>	
<b>Accuracy of Data, Content and Depth of Understanding</b>	
<b>Required Astrological Methodology Relevant to the question</b>	<b>10</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Able to identify key technical components and use correct terminology</li> <li>• Able to prioritize the importance of the transits and other relevant Dynamic Techniques.</li> </ul>	
<b>Analysis</b>	<b>20</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction sets out the hypothesis/arguments</li> <li>• Body of the paper demonstrates a coherent development of the hypothesis/arguments</li> <li>• The theme is initialised and consistently developed</li> <li>• Demonstrates an understanding of the key natal themes and complexes.</li> <li>• Able to identify the key transits and other Dynamic Techniques that are relevant to the question</li> <li>• Demonstrates the ability to breakdown question into relevant parts</li> <li>• Definition and interpretation of astrological and other core components involved in the question</li> <li>• Essential points are organised to reveal a command of the arguments/hypothesis</li> <li>• Demonstrates accurate reasoning skills</li> <li>• Sticks to the point – information relevant to the question</li> </ul>	
<b>Synthesis</b>	<b>30</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demonstrates the ability to link the relevant transits, progressions and other Dynamic Techniques to the natal horoscope and the identified natal themes and complexes</li> <li>• Incorporates the above and integrates the analysis into a cohesive narrative</li> </ul>	
<b>Evaluation of Evidence and Conclusion</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to: draw the appropriate conclusions from the evidence presented, summarize the main arguments and link them back to the original hypothesis AND THE QUESTION</li> </ul>	
<b>Positive Framing</b>	<b>20</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to offer positive guidance</li> <li>• Use of “Counselling orientation” as defined in Exam Book</li> </ul>	
<b>Originality - 10 marks</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unique and individual approach, with own views and insights that are relevant and enhance the essay</li> <li>• The examiners want to hear ‘your voice’ as you develop your ideas</li> </ul>	<b>10</b>