Table of Past Questions on Studied Fiction

This table may help you to get an idea of the types of questions asked in previous Junior Certificate examinations.

Topics	' 15	'14	' 13	'12	'11	'10	'09	'o8	'0 7	'06	'05	'04	'03	'02	'01
Character study (especially change and strengths or weaknesses)	X		X	X					X	X	X				X
Relevance of themes to you and peers				X											
Moving moment/mood/atmosphere					X								X		
Style					X			X							
Setting /World of the text		X	X		X					X					
Surprise/unexpected development						X						X			
Review/recommendation			X			X			X				X		
Theme							X								
Favourite section/opening/ending	X	X					X				X				
Title – how it suited story		X													
Relationships								X						X	
Good versus evil/conflict												X		X	
Structure of story															X
Which two of these words best describe your chosen story? Inspiring • Atmospheric • Disappointing • Gripping • Revealing • Complex	X														

Note:

- You are always asked to give the name of the novel or story and the name of the author.
- You cannot use the unseen extract as your studied fiction. However, examiners are well aware of the novels and stories frequently chosen for study in the Junior Cert, so are unlikely to choose one of those as an unseen extract.
- Always check the marks allotted to each part of each question. These can vary from year to year.