

1(a). A Dream of Manderley

This extract is from the opening of *Rebecca*, a gothic novel by Daphne du Maurier.

Here, the unnamed narrator dreams about visiting her old home, called Manderley.

Last night I dreamt I went to Manderley again. It seemed to me I stood by the iron gate leading to the drive, and for a while I could not enter, for the way was barred to me. There was a padlock and a chain upon the gate. I called in my dream to the lodge-keeper, and had no answer, and peering closer through the rusted spokes of
5 the gate I saw that the lodge was uninhabited.

No smoke came from the chimney, and the little lattice windows gaped forlorn. Then, like all dreamers, I was possessed of a sudden with powers and passed through the barrier before me. The drive wound away in front of me, twisting and turning as it had always done, but as I advanced I was aware that a change had
10 come upon it; it was narrow and unkempt, not the drive we had known. At first I was puzzled and did not understand, and it was only when I bent my head to avoid the low swinging branch of a tree that I realized what had happened. Nature had come into her own again and, little by little, in her stealthy, insidious way had encroached upon the drive with long, tenacious fingers. The woods, always a
15 menace even in the past, had triumphed in the end. They crowded, dark and uncontrolled, to the borders of the drive. The beeches with white, naked limbs leant close to one another, their branches intermingled in a strange embrace, making a vault above my head like the archway of a church. And there were trees as well, trees that I did not recognize, squat oaks and tortured elms that straggled cheek by
20 jowl with the beeches, and had thrust themselves out of the quiet earth, along with monster shrubs and plants, none of which I remembered.

Read the first **two** sentences from the opening of this extract.

Give **two** words to show that the narrator is writing about something that happened in her mind.

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(b). Why does the narrator say 'for a while I could not enter' (line 2)?

Tick **one** box to show a reason which is definitely **not** true.

She was barred from Manderley.

This situation was only temporary.

Gaining access took some time.

She was hesitant about entering.

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(c). 'Then, like all dreamers, I was possessed of a sudden with powers and passed through' (lines 7 to 8).

Explain what the narrator means when she states this.

[2]

(d). From the opening paragraph to '... gaped forlorn.' (line 6), list **four** pieces of evidence to show that Manderley is presented as unused.

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(e). From the second paragraph starting 'No smoke came ... ', list four things which show that Manderley's drive has been taken over by nature.

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Mark Scheme

Question		Answer/Indicative content	Marks
1	a	<p>Award 1 mark for two short quotations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dreamt • seemed. 	1
	b	<p>Award 1 mark for a correct tick.</p> <p>She was barred from Manderley. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>This situation was only temporary. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Gaining access took some time. <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>She was hesitant about entering. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	1
	c	<p>Award 1 mark for a brief explanation of the meaning.</p> <p>Award 2 marks for a more developed explanation.</p> <p>For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She knows she was in a dream when she explains what happened (1) and tells us that in dreams things happen without warning as the act was 'sudden' (1). • Her experience of the dream is not unusual/is similar to that of other people who dream (1) and she had amazing abilities not true of real life/as she was able to pass through the gates which were actually barred (1). 	2
	d	<p>Award 1 mark for any of the following pieces of evidence, up to 4 marks, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • padlock and a chain • no answer from the lodge-keeper • rusted spokes of the gate • the lodge was uninhabited • no chimney smoke • windows are forlorn. <p>Accept quotations, paraphrases or explanations.</p>	4

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	e	<p>Award 1 mark for any of the following pieces of evidence, up to 4 marks, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The drive was overgrown/'narrow and unkempt' (line 10).• Branches block the way.• Nature encroaches.• The uncontrolled woods.• The closeness/connection of the beech trees/archway of trees.• The closeness of other trees (oaks/elms) with the beech trees.• The great size of the shrubs/plants. <p>Accept quotations, paraphrases or explanations.</p>	4
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