

the EXPLAIN HOW (synonyms) it means that. Synonyms can even be situations, think outside the box and open your mind.

Try and have a wide variety of vocabulary as this gains you marks as well-read different pieces of writing each day for five minutes from news papers to pamphlets to different genre novels. To help with synonyms write common words each day or word from the dictionary in a spider diagram and come up with synonyms, practice each time, you may get help but remember the synonyms.

Here is an example paragraph for the question:

How does the writer portray moments of seriousness and amusement in this passage. (The passage involves Minny-a maid going for a job interview)

Minny is not taking this interview which can determine her entire future as seriously as she should and this is amusing to the reader. This is conveyed by,

“Then I rehearse what to say and what to keep to myself.”

The use of the **verb** ‘rehearse’ makes it seem like this is just a play to Minny and just like an actor if she says the right thing during the audition she will get the part, in this case the part is the job as a maid (situational synonym which is creative but not too radical). **In contrast**, the fact that Minny is preparing (synonym for rehearse) for the interview can **suggest** that she is taking it seriously and wants to get the job.

This answers the question of both seriousness and amusement which is the first step and it uses technical language such as verb and good diction and linking such as in contrast and suggests. This is also the correct paragraph layout – all in one paragraph but evidence and points separated by commas and inverted marks.