

KEY POINT

Sport, which essentially shows adults playing games, is a fertile subject for writers.

ACTIVITY 3

A02

SKILLS ANALYSIS

▼ LANGUAGE FOR EFFECT

Copy and complete the following table to help you understand how language is used in the passage.

▼ QUESTION		▼ ANSWER AND EVIDENCE
What words and phrases does Levine use to bring out the humour of the race?		1 'the "Wacky Races"' – this reference to a famous television cartoon series puts the race in a comic context. 2 3
What words and phrases help to convey the excitement of the races?	Words that convey movement	1 'some fifty vehicles roaring up in their wake' – this conveys the speed of the cars and the speed of the donkeys. 2 3
	Words that suggest sound	1 2 3
	Words that create visual images	1 2 3
What words and phrases help show that the passage contains some serious moments?		1 'Yaqoob and Iqbal were nervous of hanging around a volatile situation' – this shows the danger of the situation and how quickly the mood of the spectators might change. 2 3

ACTIVITY 4

A04

A05

SKILLS REASONING, CREATIVITY, INNOVATION

▼ WRITING TASKS

- 1 Write a short story about a race or a hunt.
- 2 Write a newspaper report on a game involving a team sport, such as football, cricket or basketball.
- 3 'Taking part in sport is more important than winning'. Argue either in favour of this statement or against it.

EXAM-STYLE QUESTION

A02

SKILLS

CRITICAL THINKING,
ANALYSIS, ADAPTIVE
LEARNING, CREATIVITY

How does the writer use language and structure to create excitement and interest?

You should support your answer with close reference to the passage, including brief quotations.

(12 marks)