**International Baccalaureate Language A Objectives and Scale**

**Language A1 Writing Objectives**

(A1) Knowledge and Understanding

* + Individual, independent ***analysis*** of both main implications and subtleties (***formally written*** and delivered)
  + Defend a stated thesis with relevant and properly cited ***support***

(A2) Appreciation of Writer's Choices

* + Analysis of literary ***devices*** and ***effects***
  + Analysis of literary ***conventions*** ***specific to the genre***

(A3) Organization and Presentation

* + Compose a focused, logical, ***structured*** ***argument***

(A4) Written Language

* + Accuracy in written ***grammar, vocabulary, and sentence structure***
  + Appropriateness of ***voice and style***

(A5) Comparative Analysis

* Effectiveness of the ***comparison*** of works in relation to the question or topic.

**Language A1 Oral Presentation Objectives**

(B1) Understanding and Interpretation

* + Individual, independent ***analysis*** of both main implications and subtleties (discussion-based, ***orally delivered***)

(B2) Presentation

* + Effectiveness and appropriateness of ***delivery***
  + Effectively engage the audience with a ***clear, compelling and persuasive*** application of register and voice

(B3) Spoken Language

* + Accuracy in ***grammar, vocabulary, and sentence structure*** when speaking
  + Appropriateness of ***register*** and style

**Language A1 Scale**

5 Student addresses the objective very well: independently, insightfully, and creatively.

4 Student addresses the objective well.

3 Student addresses the objective adequately according to basic expectations.

2 Student addresses with objective in a limited way.

1 Student addresses the objective with limited to no success.

0 Student does not address the objective.