



Empire of the Sun
English past Exam Questions
Higher Level

2012

Section 1

B EMPIRE OF THE SUN – J. G. Ballard

- (i) Explain how the characteristics that Jim displays, in the course of the novel, enable him to survive in desperate circumstances.

Support your answer with suitable reference to Ballard's novel, *Empire of the Sun*.

OR

- (ii) "Ballard uses various literary techniques to create a realistic portrayal of war in his novel, *Empire of the Sun*."

Discuss this statement, supporting your answer with suitable reference to the novel.