

## Task for *Death Sentence*

### Focus Questions

Use the questions below to reflect on the text at this workstation. Support each answer with textual evidence:

- What is the text about?
- What is notable about its use of language?
- Do you consider the language to be official, formal or informal?
- In what ways does the language used exert influence or power?
- Do you think this language is imitated in society?
- Do you consider the language used to be shapely rhetoric or shapeless sludge? Why?

Textual Evidence sentences starters could include:

- The author emphasises / portrays /distorts ...
- Connotations of the word / phrase were ....
- Effective comments such as ...
- The use of repeated words / phrases / motifs ...
- The persuasive arguments include ...