

# AS2.1 WRITTEN TEXT STUDY

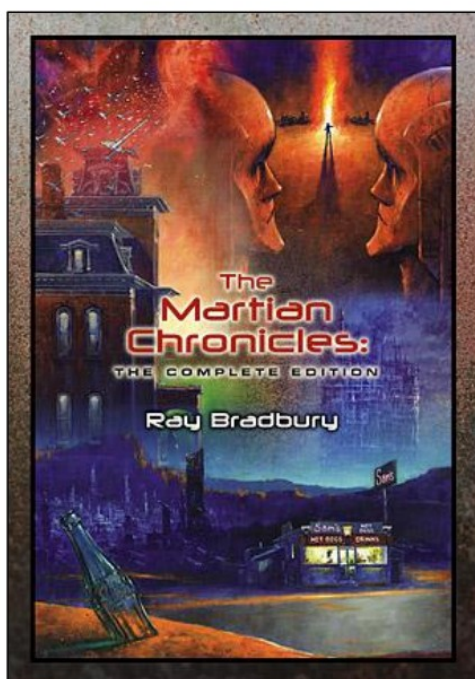
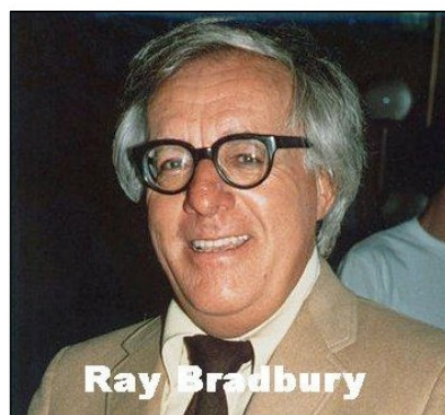
## SAMPLE AS2.1 EXTERNAL EXAM ESSAY QUESTIONS

1. Analyse how the setting of a text (or texts) you have studied influenced your understanding of the ideas in the text (or texts). (Note: Setting may include reference to time, place, historical or social context, or atmosphere.)
2. Analyse how an idea is developed in a text (or texts) you have studied.
3. Analyse how the writer(s) has created impact in a section of studied text (or texts).
4. Analyse how symbols are used to develop an idea in a text (or texts) you have studied.

### *August 2026: There Will Come Soft Rains*

*A short story by Ray Bradbury*

Ray Douglas Bradbury (born August 22, 1920) is an American fantasy, horror, science fiction, and mystery writer. Best known for his dystopian novel *Fahrenheit 451* (1953) and for the science fiction stories gathered together as *The Martian Chronicles* (1950) and *The Illustrated Man* (1951), Bradbury is one of the most celebrated among 20th and 21st century American writers of speculative fiction. Many of Bradbury's works have been adapted into television shows or films.



*There Will Come Soft Rains* was first published in the May 6, 1950 issue of *Collier's*. Later that same year the story was included in Bradbury's famous short story collection *The Martian Chronicles* (1950).

