



Curriculum Overview 2019-20: English

Year Group	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	Useful information / websites
Year 7	English Language – examining and crafting pieces of creative writing English Literature – class reader – language analysis	English Language – non-fiction articles/extracts – analysis English Literature – poetry analysis	English Language – fiction extracts – analysis/evaluation English Literature – Shakespeare - explaining and analysing	Firefly Shmoop No Fear Shakespeare Seneca Spark Notes (GCSE Pod) BBC Bitesize
Year 8	Literature = Post 20 th Century Play (Blood Brothers) – <i>removed AO3 from assessment to ensure students focus on writer’s intentions</i> Language = Writing to persuade using springboard of ‘contentious issues’	Language = AQA P1 reading skills taught using springboard of Gothic Short Stories (Pre 20 th Century Fiction) (PPE Exam) Followed by Language P1 writing skills (Creative Writing) taught using springboard of ‘Myths and Legends’	Literature = Shakespeare (Romeo and Juliet) – <i>re-introduce AO3 to assessment to bridge gap between Year 8 and 9 assessments</i> Followed by 20 th Century War Poetry Comparison and Sherlock Holmes Language analysis	
Year 9	Exam specification: Literature = Edexcel Language = AQA			
	Literature = Pre 20 th Century Novel (A Christmas Carol) – focus on plot/character/key extracts Language = AQA P1 reading skills using springboard of ‘Of Mice and Men’ to explore	Language = AQ1 P1 reading and writing skills using springboard of ‘Heroes and Villains’ Followed by AQA P2 reading and writing skills using springboard of ‘contentious documentaries’	Literature = Shakespeare (Macbeth) – character/plot/key extracts (PPE exam) Followed by unseen poetry comparison	
Year 10	Exam specification: Literature = Edexcel Language = AQA			
	Literature = Post 20 th Century Play (An Inspector Calls) Followed by Shakespeare (Macbeth) – taught thematically – close language/structural analysis	Literature = Pre 20 th Century Novel (A Christmas Carol) – taught thematically – close language/structural analysis Language = AQA P1 and P2 reading and writing skills (PPE Exam)	Literature = Conflict Poetry Comparison Followed by Unseen poetry comparison skills	
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Year 11	Literature = Key focus on 2 set texts deemed weakest for that cohort based on Year 10 assessment results (PPE Exam) Language = AQA P1 and P2 reading and writing skills revision (PPE Exam)	Literature = Focus on remaining set texts (PPE Exam) Language = AQA P1 and P2 reading and writing skills revision (PPE Exam)	Focused revision in areas of class weakness, directed by classroom teacher	
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