

ASTON MANOR ACADEMY



Curriculum Overview 2023-24: English

Year Group	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term	Useful information / websites	
Year 7	Literature = 21 st Century 'class reader' exploring topic of refugees. Developing our emerging language analysis through reading novel and understanding how to write in an academic, structured format - AO1, AO2	Literature = Analysing poetry by two modern Birmingham poets and nurturing our understanding of local history whilst developing understanding of crafting holistic responses – AO1, AO2	Literature = Exploring Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice using key extracts to consolidate our understanding of plot and character - AO1, AO2	KS3 -Firefly -Shmoop -No Fear Shakespeare -Seneca -BBC Bitesize KS4 -AQA -Spark Notes -GCSE Pod -Lit charts -Cliff Notes -Mr Bruff	
	Language = (Transition Unit) Exploring, deconstructing then crafting pieces of creative writing under the scenario of being lost on a deserted island - AO5, AO6	Language = Exploring and deconstructing famous speeches by analysing the non-fiction writing techniques used and then using to help craft speeches of own – AO5, AO6	Language = Reading extracts of famous fictional characters from 20 th Century literature and using to help develop own creative pieces – AO5, AO6		
Year 8	Literature = Reading the play Blood Brothers and not only exploring language but also context, writer's intentions, and key themes - AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4	Language = Exploring famous myths and legends and using the descriptive writing and imagery to support crafting own piece of writing – AO5, AO6	Literature = Exploring First World War poetry and developing ability to integrate writer's intentions into analysis of language – AO1, AO2, AO3		
	Literature = Reading Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet and applying context to our understanding of plot, character, and language analysis - AO1, AO2, AO3	Literature = Reading a famous Sherlock Holmes short story and engaging with key characters and themes - AO1, AO2, AO3	Language = Reading a variety of 19 th Century Gothic Short Stories and exploring the language and structure used to help write own gothic pieces – AO1, AO2, AO4, AO5, AO6		
Year 9	Exam specification: Literature = AQA, Language = AQA				
	Literature = Immersing selves in the Victorian novella 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens to ensure all have a solid grasp of plot, character, context and developing academic writing - AO1, AO2, AO3 Language = Reading 'Of Mice and Men' and building on	Language = Exploring famous fictional 'villains' and using techniques to support creating own character, showcasing emerging creative writing skills - writing skills AO5, AO6 Literature = Reading and analysing a variety of 'romance poems' and introducing ability to compare within our	Literature = Reading and exploring Shakespeare's Macbeth to focus on character, plot, context and then our ability to craft academic writing to exam style responses - AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4 Language = transactional writing unit which explores a	-No Sweat Shakespeare - Shakespeare Globe - RSC	
	ability to interpret language and structure for effect - AO1, AO2, AO4	academic writing - AO1, AO2	variety of different non-fiction writing styles - AO5, AO6	-Pearson	
Year 10	Exam specification: Literature = AQA, Language = AQA				
	Literature = Reading and exploring J B Priestley's 'An Inspector Calls' with a focus on plot, character, themes, context, and writer's intentions to then solidify our ability to craft academic writing - AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4	Literature = Dissecting a close analysis of Shakespeare's Macbeth taught thematically which develops and builds on foundation in Year 9 - close language/structure, themes, key nuanced extract analysis to enable accurate and structured academic writing – AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4	Literature = Reading and analysing our complete GCSE 'Conflict Poetry Anthology' then solidifying our ability to compose comparisons - AO1, AO2, AO3	-The British Library -Massolit	



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Year	Exam specification: Literature = AQA, Language = AQA			
11	Literature = Key focus and revision on the 3 GCSE set texts to start the year – AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4	Lang and Lit – Begin to cover various Assessment Objectives across Literature and Language through thematic links	Lang and Lit - Focused revision in key areas of class weakness, directed by classroom teacher	
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