

GCSE English and English Literature

2017-2019



General Information

Description

In Years 10 and Year 11, students work towards their GCSE qualifications in both English Literature and English Language.

Assessment

We follow the syllabi run by the Eduqas examination board, which sees the students take two final exams in each subject at the end of Year 11 accounting for 100% of their final grade. Whilst we assess the students throughout the course, there are no coursework or Controlled Assessment components counting towards the final qualification.

In English Literature, 40% of the final grade comes from two poetry response questions, whilst the other 60% is spread equally across three core texts: A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens (published by English Media Centre), Blood Brothers by Willy Russell (Bloomsbury) and Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare (CGP). Copies of these specific texts which we study in class are available to purchase from the school library.

The English Language course assesses a student's reading and writing skills equally with a 50% weighting given to both. Preparations for this take place through a range of techniques, texts and sources with a strong emphasis on past paper content.

Topic Breakdown

Year 10 - term 1

- Romeo and Juliet
- Narrative Writing

Year 10 - term 2

- Poetry Anthology
- Non-Fiction Reading

Year 10 - term 3

- Blood Brothers
- Narrative Writing

Year 11 - term 1

- A Christmas Carol

- Transactional Writing

Year 11 - term 2

- Unseen Poetry
- Fiction Reading

Year 11 - term 3

- Exam Preparation

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Additional Information

GCSE English Language

<p>Component 1 Exam (1 hour 45 mins - 40%)</p> <p><u>20th Century Prose Reading</u> (1 hour - 20%)</p> <p><u>Story Writing</u> (45 minutes - 20%)</p>	<p>Component 2 Exam (2 hours - 60%)</p> <p><u>Non-fiction Reading (21st & 19th Century)</u> (1 hour - 30%)</p> <p><u>Non-fiction Writing (2 tasks)</u> (1 hour - 30%)</p>
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<p>Component 1 Exam 2 hours - 40%</p> <p><u>Section A:</u> <u>Romeo and Juliet</u> (1 hour - 20%)</p> <p><u>Section B</u> <u>Anthology Poetry (2 poems)</u> (1 hour - 20%)</p>	<p>Component 2 Exam 2 hours 30 mins (60%)</p> <p><u>Section A:</u> <u>Blood Brothers</u> (45 minutes - 20%)</p> <p><u>Section B</u> <u>A Christmas Carol</u> (45 minutes - 20%)</p> <p><u>Section C</u> <u>Unseen Poetry Comparison (20th & 21st century)</u> (1 hour - 20%)</p>
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