



# English Literature A Level

## *Course Content*

English Literature will encourage you to enjoy the literary canon and its infinite variety, through a study of the writers' methods and the influence of the social, cultural and historical contexts in which texts were written.

You will be expected to read as widely as possible and will be given opportunities to read and discuss texts creatively, rigorously and independently. Even dramatically!

You will study a variety of texts including prose, poetry and plays. These will include literature from pre 1900 and post 200.

## *Career Opportunities*

A universal subject, English Literature can be applied to whatever you choose to do in your chosen career.

It is also one of the Russell Group qualifications, known as a facilitating subject, which gives it high global academic status. Employers and universities value evidence that candidates are able to work independently, think critically and possess skills in written and spoken communication.

Many students who study English Literature will go into general management, research and consultancy, or the public services, as well as employment in the creative industries, law, media and publishing.

## *Entry Requirements*

Grade 6 in English Literature GCSE

## *Assessment*

3 hour written exam

3 essays: Shakespeare, unseen poetry and comparing texts. (40%)

3 hour 30m written exam

3 essays on set texts and conceptual linking (40%)

Coursework (20%)

One extended essay (2500 words) and a bibliography