

English: Curriculum Overview Year 10

Term	Topic studied	What will I learn?	How will I be assessed?
Year 10 Autumn	Macbeth	 The plot, key ideas and themes from the play The relationships between characters and their motivations Key contextual information with the focus on Jacobean society and Shakespeare's intentions. How to read and analyse the text Selecting, understanding and using key quotations Responding to GCSE English Literature exam style questions 	There will be a GCSE English Literature Paper 1 question at the end of the unit
	Gothic Fiction Writing	 Students will study a range of fiction extracts in the Gothic genre How to identify and analyse authors techniques How authors convey meaning via language and other techniques 	There will be a GCSE English Language Section A question at the end of the unit
Year 10 Spring	A Christmas Carol	 The plot, key ideas and themes from the novel The relationships between characters and their motivations Key contextual information with the focus on Victorian society and Dickens' intentions. How to read and analyse the text Selecting, understanding and using key quotations Responding to GCSE English Literature exam style questions 	There will be a GCSE English Literature Section B question at the end of this unit.
		Revision of Literature Paper 1 and Language Paper 1 for Mock Exams	Mock Exams: Full English Literature Paper 1 and Language Paper 1
Year 10 Summer	Language Paper 2	 Students will study a range of non-fiction extracts How to identify and analyse the use and impact of persuasive techniques How writers of speeches and articles convey their views and ideas How to craft persuasive written responses How to create meaning in articles, speeches, letters or blogs A range of poems from the English Literature GCSE 	There will be a GCSE English Language Paper 2 Section A question at the end of the unit
	English Literature Poetry	A range of poems from the English Literature GCSE Anthology Ideas that link the poems	There will be a GCSE Literature Paper 2 Section B question at the end of this unit.

Anthology	Contextual factors from a range of social backgrounds and ideologies
	 Poetic techniques, conventions and key skills How to analyse a poem in order to understand meaning and messages How to write effective exam style answers when analysing poetry