

# English Overview (Key Stage)

Link to specification or KS3 subject national curriculum

Year		7 Character and Identity						
	Aut	umn Term	Spring	Spring Term		er Term		
Time	28 lessons	24 lessons	20 lessons	24 lessons	16 lessons	28 Lessons		
Unit	The Writer's Shed	Whole novel *Text-Dependent	Myths and Legends	Ruby in the Smoke 2023-24	Written from the Heart	Identity & Poetry		
Focus		Immersive whole text study <b>Reading</b>	Character Exploration of a range of texts Archetype & Character Creative/descriptive writing Writing Literary Fiction		Letters, diaries, autobiography Socio-historical contexts <b>Non-fiction Writing</b>	A range of C19th-C21st Poetry <b>Responding to Poetry</b>		
Theme	Growing up and Transitions	Reading for Pleasure		Novels with female protagonists Introducing C19th context through neo-Victorian text.	Voices from the Past	Identity and Culture		
	Develop an appreciation and love of reading, and read increasingly challenging material independently.	Developing an appreciation and love of reading Developing vocabulary skills and repertoire Evaluate, discuss and analyse writers' use of language, form and	text. Identifying purpose,	skills and repertoire Evaluate, discuss and		Key poetic terminology Discourse markers Paragraphing Sentence stems for analysis Form & structure		



	Evaluate, discuss and analyse writers' use of language, form and structure. Write accurately, fluently, effectively and at length for pleasure and information.	structure. Narrative voice Characterisation	including figurative language, vocabulary choice, grammar, text structure and organisational features, presents meaning.	structure. Narrative voice Characterisation Applying contextual and genre knowledge to a text	Summarising and organising material, and supporting ideas and arguments with any necessary factual detail.	
Key Vocabulary	Setting Protagonist Antagonist Genre Themes Tone Mood	Plot Character Setting Protagonist Antagonist Symbolism Motif Themes Tone Mood Atmosphere Inference Analyse Structure Narrative	Narrative Fiction Persona Perspective Character Function Analysis Inference Simile Metaphor, Extended metaphor, Tenor, Vehicle, Personification, Alliteration, Archetype	Pathetic Fallacy Foreshadowing Atmosphere Context Urbanisation Reputation Colonialism Deception Pessimistic Optimistic Ethical Prudent Astute Questionable Inference	Persuasive writing Coherence Pathos Logos Ethos Alliteration Emotive language Hyperbole Onomatopoeia Power of three Rhetorical question Marginalised Discrimination Context Social justice Feminism Stereotype Identify Discuss Attitude	Blank verse Free verse Sonnet Rhyme Scheme Rhyming couplet Onomatopoeia Metaphor Simile Imagery Structure Identity Culture Persona Metaphor Simile



Texts	<ul> <li>Don't Ask Jack, Gaiman</li> <li>500 wd short stories</li> <li>And When did you Last See your Father</li> <li>White Lies</li> <li>Extracts: Harry Potter, Oliver Twist, Holes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Monster Calls</li> <li>My Sister Lives on the Mantelpiece</li> <li>Graveyard Book</li> <li>The Raven's Gate</li> <li>Coraline</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Robin Hood</li> <li>Chimera</li> <li>Icarus and Daedalus</li> <li>The Cyclops</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ruby in the Smoke</li> <li>Charles Dickens, Bleak House/ Great Expectations extracts</li> <li>Henry Mayhew extracts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Diary of Anne Frank</li> <li>Jane Austen's letters</li> <li>Wilfred Owen's letters</li> <li>Frederick Douglass</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>In a Station at the Metro</li> <li>Same Song</li> <li>This is just to say</li> <li>Risk</li> <li>First Fig</li> <li>In My Country</li> <li>Search for my Tongue</li> <li>Ode to a Jellytot</li> </ul>
Driving Question	What goes into making an engaging short story?	What does it mean to be 'us'?	What characters and archetypes exist?	What makes a hero?	Why are voices from the past so powerful?	How does poetry capture what it means to be human?
Assessment	AO1 AO2, AO5, AO6	AO1 AO2 AO5/6	AO1 AO2	AO5 a/b AO6	AO1 AO2 AO3	AO1 AO2 AO5/6



Year				8		
	Autum	in Term	Spring Term		Summer Term	
Time	28 lessons	24 lessons	20 lessons	24 lessons	16 lessons	28 Lessons
Unit	Strange New Worlds - Dystopian and speculative fiction	Noughts and Crosses - Whole Play- Modern Drama	Survival - non-fiction	The Bone Sparrow - Whole novel new 2023-24	Speeches that Changed the World	Romeo and Juliet - Shakespeare whole text
Focus	Consolidation of year 7 skills and knowledge. <b>Reading dystopias</b>	Immersive whole text study of a play. <b>Speculative fiction</b>	Reading a range of modern and 19th century non-fiction texts, developing cultural capital. <b>Non-fiction.</b>	Developing an appreciation and love of reading Developing vocabulary skills and repertoire Evaluate, discuss and analyse writers' use of language, form and structure. Narrative voice Characterisation	Developing spoken language through exploration of powerful speeches from the 20th and 21st century. <b>Spoken language.</b>	Analysis of character, plot and setting, to inform creative and persuasive writing. <b>Creative writing.</b>
Theme	Dystopia	Race and civil rights	Travel and exploration/discovering cultures	Refugees	The power of words & rhetoric	Gender, Conflict, relationships
Literacy Skills	Understanding etymology and morphology Developing vocabulary Key subject terminology Dictionary skills	Conventions of modern drama Select appropriate and effective vocabulary Deduce, infer or interpret comment on writers purposes and viewpoints, and the overall effect of the text on the reader	Conventions of survival writing C19th text Non-fiction writing Comparative/ discourse markers Vocabulary Paragraphing	Vocabulary Narrative voice Further developing love and appreciation of reading	Vocabulary Persuasive AO6 LA - sequencing, connectives MA/ HA - structuring effective writing	<ul> <li>Analysis of character, plot and setting</li> <li>Discourse markers</li> <li>Paragraphing</li> <li>Sentence stems</li> </ul>



Key Vocabulary	Surveillance Totalitarian Apocalypse Plot Character Setting Protagonist Antagonist Symbolism Atmosphere Personification Simile Metaphor Imagery	Segregation Prejudice Apartheid Identity Dystopia Conflict Plot Character Theme Romance	Survival Convention Autobiography Biography Memoir Dialogue Convey Embedded Tone Connotations	Conflict Rohingya Burma Detention Humanitarian Accountability Responsibility Dilemna Morality Compassion Sympathy Empathy	Speech Oracy Anecdote Fact Statistic Purpose Audience Form Device Empathise	Character Function Relationship Authority Patriarchy Society Duty Responsibility Allegory Religion Predicament Fate Celestial Feud
Texts	<ul> <li>1984</li> <li>Fahrenheit 451</li> <li>Noughts and Crosses</li> <li>Red Queen</li> <li>Uglies</li> <li>The Handmaid's Tale</li> <li>War of the Worlds</li> <li>Delirium</li> <li>The Hunger Games</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Nought and Crosses play version</li> <li>Extracts from Noughts and Crosses novel</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The Little Watercress Girl</li> <li>Walk through a workhouse</li> <li>Sufferings in Africa</li> <li>Juliane Koepcke: How I survived a plane crash</li> <li>The Survivor</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The Bone Sparrow</li> <li>Where the World's Refugees Are</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Malala Yousafzai</li> <li>Emma Watson</li> <li>Obama</li> <li>Emma Gonzalez</li> <li>Martin Luther King</li> <li>TED Talks</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Romeo and Juliet play version</li> <li>Romeo and Juliet BBC Teach video adaption</li> <li>Jacobean non-fiction texts</li> </ul>
Driving Question	Why are dark futures so	How has our society been shaped by our cultural	How can we adapt with the natural world?	How do we adjust our perceptions of those who are	What could your words contribute to our world?	What does it mean to love across barriers?



	interesting?	identity?		'other'?		
Assessment	AO1, AO2, AO5, AO6	A01, A02	AO5, AO6	AO1, AO2	AO1, AO2, AO5, AO6	AO1, AO2

Year		9						
	Autum	n Term	Sprin	g Term	Summer Term			
Time	28 lessons	24 lessons	20 lessons	24 lessons	16 lessons	28 Lessons		
Unit	Power of the Pen	An Introduction to The Gothic	Shakespeare's Quill	The Poetry Question	Sawbones - whole novel study	Literature Through Time		
Focus	Analysing and evaluating a range of news and journalism and media.	Critically engaging with 19th-21st century literature.	Developing an appreciation for Shakespeare and confidence approaching language. Consolidating knowledge for KS4 study.	Extending and developing comparative analysis of 19th, 20th and 21st century poetry.	Close textual analysis of a whole novel.	To develop cultural capital through exploration of a range of texts from points throughout human history.		
Theme	Media bias and ethics. Writing to argue and persuade	Gothic conventions, motifs and methods. Analysis of effect on the reader.	Language analysis. Meaning.	Poetry comparison.	Pre-learning context for KS4 C19th novel and whole novel study.	Cultural capital and consolidation of understanding of literary timelines/ context.		
Literacy Skills	Conventions of journalistic writing Identification of range of news types	Paragraphing narrative revision VOCABULARY : Gothic word choice Speech punctuation	Close textual analysis Developing comprehension Applying context to analysis Inference Understanding historical		Applying context to analysis Technical accuracy inc. sentence demarcation Control of a range of	Close textual analysis Developing comprehension Technical accuracy Discourse markers Contextual exploration and		



	Subject terminology Critical thinking	revision AO6	texts	A06	punctuation Precise vocabulary	analysis
Key Vocabulary	Prejudice Left Wing Bias Right Wing Content Layout Purpose Audience Article Byline Audience Class Demographic Impact Article Controversial Headline Compare Editorial Emotive	GothicGenreMythNineteenthConventionThemeConventionElementMotifPersonificationPatheticFallacyAtmosphereDecadentProtagonistUnheimlichOminousHorrorRomanceTraumaSupernaturalArchitecture	Conflict Manipulation Humour Patriarchy Tragedy Context Romance Monarchy Subversion Hubris Hamartia Soliloquy	Technique Alliteration Stanza Anaphora Assonance Blank Verse Couplet Caesura Metre Enjambment Rhyme Scheme Rhythm Trochee Anthology Annotation Beat Voice Free Verse Ode Symbolism Tone Anaphora	Novel Victorian Detective Apprentice Nineteenth Century Pathetic Fallacy Respectable Anatomy Dissection Ominous Foreboding Context Malign Gothic Mystery Foreshadowing Abolition Hierarchy Slavery Resurrectionist	Contextual History Language Influence Specific Literary Style Format Plot Anachronism Antithesis Archetype Author Fable Classic Comparison Renaissance Antiquity Medieval Foreshadowing
Texts	<ul> <li>Newspapers</li> <li>Katie Hopkins article</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Frankenstein</li> <li>Dracula</li> <li>Great Expectations</li> <li>Northanger Abbey</li> <li>Jekyll &amp; Hyde</li> <li>Edgar Allen Poe</li> <li>Angela Carter</li> <li>Ian Banks</li> <li>Neil Gaiman</li> <li>Daphne Du Maurier</li> <li>Susan Hill</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>King Lear</li> <li>Much ado about Nothing</li> <li>Othello</li> <li>Macbeth</li> <li>Sonnet 18</li> <li>The Prologue</li> <li>RSC Live Screening</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Cannibal Kids, Tempest</li> <li>Education for Leisure, Duffy</li> <li>Anthem for Doomed Youth Owen</li> <li>Stop the Clocks, Auden</li> <li>Sonnet 18, Shakespeare</li> <li>Alright by Kendrick Lamar</li> <li>Metaphors, Plath</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sawbones</li> <li>Various 19th nonfiction texts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Genesis</li> <li>Lord of the Flies</li> <li>Cicero</li> <li>Martin Luther King</li> <li>Metamorposis</li> <li>Carol Ann Duffy</li> <li>The Odyssey</li> <li>Hamlet</li> <li>Canterbury Tales</li> <li>Christopher Marlowe</li> <li>Romantics</li> <li>Charles Dickens</li> <li>Gulliver's Travels</li> <li>The Time Machine</li> <li>Jane Austen</li> </ul>



IDriving			Why is Shakespeare still taught in 2024?			How has our Literary Culture been shaped?
Assessment	AO5a&b	AO5a, AO6	AO1, AO2, AO3	AO1, AO2, AO3	AO1, AO2, AO3	AO1, AO2, AO3, AO4

Year	10 - Units will be delivered over these sessions and may continue in the following HT						
	Autum	n Term	Sprin	g Term	Summer Term	+ Y10 Mock Week	
HT ACTUAL	28 lessons	24 lessons	20 lessons	24 lessons	16 lessons	28 Lessons	
Time	35 lessons	27 lessons	22 Lessons	5 Lessons continued	(Beginning in HT4) 25 Lessons	25 Lessons	
Unit	C19th Novel	Writing Spaces and Places	Modern Drama	Modern Drama	Fights For Our Rights	Shakespeare Play	
Focus	The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll & Mr Hyde (GCSE English Literature)	Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing (GCSE English Language)	An Inspector Calls (GCSE Literature)	An Inspector Calls (GCSE Literature)	Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives (GCSE English Language)	Macbeth (GCSE Literature)	
Themes	Class and Gender	Setting, characterisation, Structure, narrative voice, unreliable narrator, dialogue, technical accuracy	Class, gender, war, capitalism and socialism, morality, time	Class, gender, war, capitalism and socialism, morality, time,	Social justice, poverty, class, welfare state, founding of the NHS, political, British Values, democracy	Ambition, the supernatural, kingship, masculinity and femininity, madness	



	Gothic*						
Literacy Skills	connections across th Read in depth, critica their understanding a develop the habit of r appreciate the depth write accurately, effec acquire and use a wite	heir reading Illy and evaluatively, so that they a and ideas reading widely and often and power of the English literary	heritage r reading, using Standard English nmatical terminology and other	<ul> <li>information in a range of literature and other high-quality writing; reading in different ways for different purposes, and comparing and evaluating the usefulness, relevance and presentation of content for these purposes; drawing inferences and justifying these with evidence; supporting a point of view by referring to evidence within the text; identifying bias and misuse of evidence, including distinguishing between statements that are supported by evidence and those that are not; reflecting critically and evaluatively on text, using the context of the text and drawing on knowledge and skills gained from wider reading; recognising the possibility of different responses to a text</li> <li>summary and synthesis: identifying the main theme or themes; summarising ideas and information from a single text; synthesising from more than one text</li> <li>evaluation of a writer's choice of vocabulary, form, grammatical and structural features: explaining and illustrating how vocabulary and grammar contribute to effectiveness and impact, using linguistic and literary terminology accurately to do so and paying attention to detail; analysing and evaluating how form and structure contribute to the effectiveness and impact of a text</li> <li>comparing texts: comparing two or more texts critically with respect to the producing clear and coherent text: writing effectively for different purposes and audiences: to describe, narrate, explain, instruct, give and respond to information, and argue; selecting vocabulary, grammar, form, and structural and organisational features judiciously to reflect audience, purpose and context; using language imaginatively and creatively; using information provided by others to write in different forms; maintaining a consistent point of view; maintaining coherence and consistency across a text</li> <li>writing for impact: selecting, organising and emphasising facts, ideas and key points; citing evidence and quotation effectively and pertinently to support views; creating emotional impact;</li></ul>			
Texts	Jekyll & Hyde Critical Reading booklet	Extracts The Curious Incident of the Dog in the NIghttime 1984 The Colour Purple Under Milk Wood Perks of Being a Wallflower Bleak House Whole short stories:	AIC Critical Reading Booklet			Macbeth Macbeth Critical Reader	



		The Landlady, Dahl Through The Tunnel, Lessing			A modest Proposal, Swift Benefits Street, < Daily Mail Charlie Brooker Article Guardian Article on Uniform, Jessica Valenti	
Key Vocabulary	Duality Urbanisation Hierarchy Trope Motif Physiognomy Atavism / Atavistic Anthropology Integrity Duplicity Hypocrisy	Structure Prolepsis Analepsis Shift Equilibrium Narrative In media res Exposition Characterisation Verisimilitude Conflict	Capitalism Socialism Conscience Classism Dramatic Irony Bourgeoise Intelligentsia Proletariat Social justice Unionisation	Capitalism Socialism Conscience Classism Dramatic Irony Bourgeoise Intelligentsia Proletariat Social justice Unionisation	Evaluative adverb Academic verb Synthesis Evaluate	Hamartia Catharsis Antimetabole Machievellian Usurper Emasculate Amoral Equivocate Hubris Transgressive Divinity Sacrilegious
Threshold Concepts	There is a relationship between meaning and form Effect of context on both readers and writers Language can be analysed to reveal a variety of meanings	There is a relationship between meaning and form Intertextuality	Effect of context on both readers and writers There is a relationship between meaning and form Intertextuality Effect of context on both readers and writers	Effect of context on both readers and writers There is a relationship between meaning and form Intertextuality Effect of context on both readers and writers	There is a relationship between meaning and form Intertextuality Effect of context on both readers and writers Language can affect readers	There is a relationship between meaning and form Effect of context on both readers and writers Language can be analysed to reveal a variety of meanings



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Assessment Literature	<ul> <li>AO1: Read, understand and respond to texts. Students should be able to: <ul> <li>maintain a critical style and develop an informed personal response</li> <li>use textual references, including quotations, to support and illustrate interpretations.</li> </ul> </li> <li>AO2: Analyse the language, form and structure used by a writer to create meanings and effects, using relevant subject terminology where appropriate.</li> <li>AO3: Show understanding of the relationships between texts and the contexts in which they were written.</li> <li>AO4: Use a range of vocabulary and sentence structures for clarity, purpose and effect, with accurate spelling and punctuation.</li> </ul>							
Assessment Language	• AO2: Explain comment on and analyse how writers use language and structure to achieve effects and influence readers, using relevant subject							



٠	AO5: Communicate clearly, effectively and imaginatively, selecting and adapting tone, style and register for different forms, purposes and
	audiences. Organise information and ideas, using structural and grammatical features to support coherence and cohesion of texts
٠	AO6: Candidates must use a range of vocabulary and sentence structures for clarity, purpose and effect, with accurate spelling and punctuation.
	(This requirement must constitute 20% of the marks for each specification as a whole.)
•	AO7: Demonstrate presentation skills in a formal setting
•	AO8: Listen and respond appropriately to spoken language, including to questions and feedback on presentations
•	AO9: Use spoken Standard English effectively in speeches and presentations.

Year	11							
	Autumn Term +	- Mock Series 1	Spring Term	+ Mock Series 2	Summer Term			
Time	28 lessons 24 lessons		20 lessons	24 lessons	16 lessons			
Unit	AQA Poetry Anthology	Recap/ Revise Literature Texts	Recap/ Revise Literature Texts/ Exam Skills	Speaking & Listening NEA Revision & Exam Skills	Revision & Exam Skills			
Focus	Literature P2	Literature P1	Revisit Macbeth	English Language P1: Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing	Language P2: Writer's Viewpoints and Perspectives Specific exam skills/ time management	EXAMS		
Theme	Power & Conflict	Jekyll & Hyde/ An Inspector Calls	Extended writing Literature AO2 focus	Range of themes	Range of themes			



		AO1/3 focus Critical Theory			
Literacy Skills	Annotation Analysis Critical vocabulary Making connections across texts Comparison / comparative discourse markers Essay structure Learning key quotations	results providing insight in Grade 5-9) sophisticated vo	ito strengths and areas to dev cabulary, sophisticated punct Paragraphing, sentence type PPE November Litera	nned and sequenced following relop for this cohort. Targeted s uation, structural devices; temp s, adverbials, discourse marker ture P2/ Language P1 arch Literature P2	kills will include: (Target poral, spatial and narrative
Texts	Ozymandias, Percy Bysshe Shelley London, William Blake Extract from the Prelude, William Wordsworth My Last Duchess, Robert Browning The Charge of the Light Brigade, Alfred Lord Tennyson Exposure, Wilfred Owen Storm on the Island, Seamus Heaney	Macbeth Jekyll & Hyde Postcards from the Dead Range of Critical Reading Critical Reading Booklets	· ·	Range of literary non-fiction texts:	Range of practice papers



	Bayonet Charge, Ted Hughes Remains, Simon Armitage Poppies, Jane Weir War Photographer, Carol Ann Duffy Tissue, Imtiaz Dharker The Émigrée, Carol Rumens Kamikaze, Beatrice Garland Checking Out me History, John Agard				
Concepts (Y11 ONLY)	Intertextuality Effect of context on both readers and writers	There is a relationship between meaning and form Intertextuality Effect of context on both readers and writers Language can be analysed to reveal a variety of meanings Language can affect readers	There is a relationship between meaning and form Intertextuality Effect of context on both readers and writers Language can be analysed to reveal a variety of meanings Language can affect readers	There is a relationship between meaning and form Intertextuality Effect of context on both readers and writers Language can be analysed to reveal a variety of meanings Language can affect readers	There is a relationship between meaning and form Intertextuality Effect of context on both readers and writers Language can be analysed to reveal a variety of meanings Language can affect readers
Assessment	A01, A03, A03	AO1, AO2, AO3	AO1, AO2 and AO3 for	AO1, AO2 and AO3 for	AO1, AO2 and AO3 for



	reading, and AO5 and AO6	_	reading, and AO5 and	
	for writing	for writing	AO6 for writing	