

Year 11 Curriculum Overview

Year 11 will begin with pupils focusing on unseen poetry where they will develop the confidence and skills necessary to analyse a range of unseen poems. Pupils will then revise the AQA conflict poems from the Power and Conflict anthology to explore links between the poems and then work on essay writing skills. There will then be a focus on revising An Inspector Calls, a text pupils covered in year 9, with the emphasis on consolidating knowledge of the play and using this to write an essay. Pupils will complete an English Literature paper 2 during the first half-term. The second half of the autumn term focuses on preparation for the next series of mocks, English Language Paper 1, and English Literature paper 1. This revision will include Macbeth or Romeo and Juliet, A Christmas Carol and all aspects of English Language paper 1. Reviewing these skills gives pupils the opportunity to practise writing well-crafted exam answers in timed conditions. After Christmas, pupils will then be introduced to English Language paper 2 for the first time with a focus on reading non-fiction sources and making comparisons between two non-fiction extracts. Pupils will develop the skills to critically evaluate texts, make inferences and analyse the methods used by a writer to convey their ideas. Pupils will also develop their skills in writing a range of transactional writing (letters, articles, speeches and essays), practising their ability to write accurately, fluently and effectively. There will also be a focus on aspects of spelling, punctuation, grammar and proof-reading. The final mock exam is on English Language paper 2. The data from all of the mocks and in-class assessments will then be used to create bespoke revision lessons to target specific texts and skills that require further improvement. Supplementary home learning will also be used to help pupils develop their confidence with key skills and exam questions.

Term/Len	Outline	Assessment/Teacher	Homework and Literacy resources
gth of	Brief	Feedback Opportunities	This needs to include compulsory and optional tasks
Time	information	This should link to your	
	about specific	G4Smarkbook	Should include books as well as vocab/speaking/listening resources. These can either
	knowledge,		be optional or part of your SL.
	skills and		
	experiences the		
	pupils will have		
Autumn 1	Unseen poetry	Pupils will complete a	Minimum homework expectation - to be set on G4S
	Pupils will begin	practice essay on the	60 minutes of compulsory homework per week that will include:
	their year 11	Power and Conflict poetry	
	studies by	essay in a lesson prior to	English Literature homework
	revisiting the	the mock exam.	Planning essay questions.
	skills necessary		 Producing thematic revision notes on links between poems
	to analyse	Pupils will complete an	• Use @nlsenglish YouTube channel – revision videos which offer support and
	unseen poetry.	English Literature Paper 2	guidance with individual questions, skills and texts. Watch the videos to develop
	They will explore	mock exam. The questions	knowledge
	a number of	are:	

 unseen poems and learn how to analyse poems and compare them. Power and Conflict poetry The aim of this unit is to continue to develop pupils' understanding of, and responses to, the Power and Conflict anthology. They will develop the skills to analyse and compare poems. Pupils will also have the opportunity to: Explore the key ideas of each poem Learn appropriate contextual information 	Question 1: Modern Prose or Drama – An Inspector Calls – 30 marks. Question 2: Power and Conflict Poetry Anthology comparing two poems – 30 marks. Question 3: Analysis of an unseen poetry – 24 marks. Question 4: Comparison of two unseen poems – 8 marks. A range of past papers are here: https://revisionworld.com/ a2-level-level- revision/english-literature- gcse-level/english- literature-gcse-past- papers/aqa-gcse-english- literature-past-papers NB: This will not be the paper used in the mock exam. This assessment will be marked on:	 Reading critical analysis of the set texts to broaden pupils' breadth of understanding. Higher level interpretation of the characters in AIC are here: https://stjosephsenglishblog.wordpress.com/2018/05/23/high-level-analysis-of-aic-characters/ Creating vocabulary lists to describe key characters in An Inspector Calls. See https://stjosephsenglishblog.wordpress.com/2018/11/19/key-vocabulary-for-each-character-aic/ Completing past exam questions Adding to their annotations of the poems so that all poems are annotated in depth and detail Essay planning and essay writing Creating revision notes, such as knowledge organisers like the one here https://www.stcuthberts.com/media/2596/gcse-english-literature-paper-2-overview-of-anthology-poems.pdf English Language homework Create a glossary of literary terminology to analyse the language and structure of a text (this website has the terms needed to for paper 1, question 3 https://www.gcse.co.uk/gcse-english-language-paper-1-writing-about-structure-question-3-focus/ Plan and write the introduction to a range of descriptive / narrative tasks (see this website for a sample of the tasks: https://files.schudio.com/durhamjohnston/files/documents/ENGLISH_LANG - GCSE - PAPER 1 WRITING.pdf Plan and annotate fictional texts to analyse the writer's use of language / structure Create a guide to using different punctuation marks Read different fictional texts Create a revision guide on the questions covered in English Language Paper 1 to begin preparing for the summer progress assessment
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Develop	Assessment Objective 1:	Optional homework tasks and Literacy resources:
their analysis	Response to task and using	@NLSenglish YouTube channel – revision videos which offer support and guidance with
of the	references in response.	individual questions, skills and texts
poems		
 Make links 	Assessment Objective 2:	@MissHannaLovesGrammar – has a range of resources for English Language and English
between the	Explaining writer's methods	Literature
poems in the	using subject terminology,	
collection	and discussing their effects	KS4 Revision Hub on Teams – a host of revision resources, revision videos, past papers,
• Learn how to	to create meaning.	example questions and exemplar answers for both English Language and English
write		Literature.
analytically	Assessment Objective 3:	
about poetry	Make contextual links	BBC Bitesize An Inspector Calls revision: <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpr639q</u>
	between context, text and	
Revision of An	task.	BBC Bitesize Poetry revision: <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zprysg8</u> - includes
Inspector Calls		Remains, Tissue, Kamikaze, The Emigree and Exposure.
At this stage		Additional unseen poetry questions: <u>https://www.portland-place.co.uk/wp-</u>
pupils will		content/uploads/2018/03/English-Unseen-Poetry-Booklet-first-four-only-for-
already have		<u>revision.pdf</u>
read and know		
the plot of An		
Inspector Calls.		
This revision will		
give pupils the		
opportunity to:		
Revise the		
key themes		
and		
characters		
addressed		
within the		
play		

Autumn 2	 Review key quotations Practise responding to past questions in timed conditions Revision of Language Paper Macbeth or Romeo and Juliet and A Christmas Carol At this stage pupils will already have an understanding of the structure of the exam paper and the skills required for each question. This revision time will allow 	Mock exam: Language Paper 1 - Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing. Section A Reading: In section A, pupils will be reading a 20 th or 21 st century literature fiction text in order to consider how established writers use narrative and descriptive techniques to capture the interest of readers. 4 questions. English Language paper 1 assesses:	Minimum homework expectation - to be set on G4S 60 minutes of compulsory homework per week that will include: • Rereading the core texts: A Christmas Carol and Macbeth or Romeo and Juliet. • Use @nlsenglish YouTube channel – revision videos which offer support and guidance with individual questions, skills and texts • Planning essay questions • Reviewing and annotating their copies of the texts with additional key ideas • Producing thematic revision notes and tracking the development of characters • Pupils should be making notes on the key quotations and characters. A booklet to support this for A Christmas Carol is here: • https://haileyburyturnford.com/app/uploads/2020/03/English-@A-Christmas-Carol-Revision-Booklet-@SPryke2.pdf • Pupils will be expected to plan and write the introduction to a range of descriptive / narrative tasks using these images: https://files.schudio.com/durhamjohnston/files/documents/ENGLISH_LANG - GCSE - PAPER 1_WRITING.pdf
	 Identifying Identifying language and structural features 	Assessment Objective 1: to identify and interpret explicit and implicit information and ideas, and select and synthesise evidence from texts.	Optional homework tasks and Literacy resources: The University of Bristol have a punctuation guide, including online activities - https://www.ole.bris.ac.uk/bbcswebdav/courses/Study_Skills/grammar-and- punctuation/index.html#/id/Seaff06288d7eb04c5efb43b

Choosing		@nlsenglish YouTube channel – revision videos which offer support and guidance with
and using	Assessment Objective 2: to	individual questions, skills and texts
appropriate	explain, comment on and	@MissHannaLovesGrammar – has a range of resources for English Language and English
quotations.	analyse how writers use	Literature
 Analysing 	language and structure to	
quotations.	achieve effects and	
 Evaluating 	influence readers, using	KS4 Revision Hub on Teams – a host of revision resources, revision videos, past papers,
the effect of	relevant subject	example questions and exemplar answers for both English Language and English
quotations.	terminology.	Literature.
Writing		
creatively	Assessment Objective 4:	Additional sample papers for English Language Paper 1 can be found here:
using	Evaluate texts critically.	
effective		https://revisionworld.com/a2-level-level-revision/english-language-gcse-level/english-
language	Section B Writing	language-gcse-past-papers Click on the section for AQA
and	In section B, pupils write	
structural	their own creative text. This	 <u>http://park.academies.aspirationsacademies.org/wp-</u>
devices.	is to demonstrate their	content/uploads/sites/12/2020/06/AQA-GCSE-English-Language-Paper-1-
	narrative and descriptive	<u>revision-booklet.pdf</u>
At this stage	skills in response to a	
pupils will	written prompt, scenario or	
already have	visual image.	
read and know		
the plot of	Assessment Objective 5:	
Macbeth or	Communicate clearly,	
Romeo and	effectively and	
Juliet, and A	imaginatively, adapting	
Christmas Carol.	tone. Organising	
This revision will	information and ideas to	
give pupils the	support coherence and	
opportunity to:	cohesion.	
Revise and	Assessment Objective 6:	
apply key	Use a range of vocabulary	
quotations	and sentence structure for	

to characters	clarity and effect, with
and themes	accurate spelling and
Explore how	punctuation.
characters	
are used to	An example paper can be
discuss a	found here:
specific	https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/
theme	sample-papers-and-mark-
Consolidate	schemes/2018/june/AQA-
and develop	87002-QP-JUN18.PDF
aspects of	
history that	NB: This is not the paper
underpin	for the exam
each text	
Understand	Mock exam: Literature
the structure	Paper 1
of the exam	
 Develop 	Question 1: Macbeth – 30
•	marks
essay writing	Question 2: A Christmas
Complete	Carol – 30 marks
practice	
exam	An example paper can be
questions in	found here:
timed	https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/
conditions to	
develop	sample-papers-and-mark-
writing	schemes/2018/june/AQA-
stamina	87021-QP-JUN18.PDF
	NB: This is not the paper
	for the mock

		This English Literature assessment will be marked on: Assessment Objective 1: Response to task and using references in response. Assessment Objective 2: Explaining writer's methods using subject terminology, and discussing their effects to create meaning. Assessment Objective 3: Make contextual links between context, text and task.	
Spring 1	Language Paper 2	Mock exam: Language Paper 2	Minimum homework expectation - to be set on G4S 60 minutes of compulsory homework per week that will include:
	AQA GCSE English Language paper 2 explores non-fiction writers' viewpoints and perspectives. Section A consists of 4 questions, in which pupils	Section A – Reading Question 1: identify 4 key statements Question 2: Comparing and summarising differences between 2 sources. Question 3: Analyse effects of language on the reader. Question 4: Comparing viewpoints of writers.	 Reading a range of non-fiction texts Practise transactional writing questions focusing particularly on the layout of articles, informal letters, formal letters and speeches. Revising how to spell common misspellings: <u>https://curvelearn.com/2013/06/100-spellings-for-gcse-igcse-level-and.html</u> Planning comparisons between non-fiction sources Reading a range of opinion articles to understand how to effectively incorporate anecdotes, rhetorical questions and other persuasive techniques to create a coherent and compelling argument. The Guardian has a range of articles that can be read without a subscription here: <u>https://www.theguardian.com/uk/commentisfree</u>

analyse two	This section assesses:	Practice questions. A range of sample questions can be found here:
linked sources		https://www.thelinkacademy.org.uk/ site/data/files/D16BA44EAE94D8892D4D
across different	Assessment Objective 1: to	22F2794F1BD7.pdf
time periods and	identify and interpret	
genres. Section B	explicit and implicit	Optional homework tasks and Literacy resources:
consists of a	information and ideas, and	@nlsenglish YouTube channel – revision videos which offer support and guidance with
single writing	select and synthesise	individual questions, skills and texts
question for a	evidence from texts.	
specified		The University of Bristol have a punctuation guide, including online activities -
audience,	Assessment Objective 2: to	https://www.ole.bris.ac.uk/bbcswebdav/courses/Study_Skills/grammar-and-
purpose and	explain, comment on and	punctuation/index.html#/id/5eaff06288d7eb04c5efb43b
form.	analyse how writers use	
	language and structure to	@MissHannaLovesGrammar – has a range of resources for English Language and English
During the study	achieve effects and	Literature
of this paper,	influence readers, using	
pupils will learn:	relevant subject	KS4 Revision Hub on Teams – a host of revision resources, revision videos, past papers,
	terminology.	example questions and exemplar answers for both English Language and English
How to analyse a		Literature.
text	Assessment Objective 3:	
How to infer	Compare writers' ideas and	For Paper 2 Q5 , pupils may be asked to write a speech. Watch the following famous
ideas	perspectives, as well as how	speeches for inspiration: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nIwU-9ZTTJc</u> - Emma
How to compare	these are conveyed across	Watson, Gender Equality <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vP4iY1TtS3s</u> - Martin
texts	two or more texts.	Luther King, 'I have a Dream' https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fKBR0igDPfM
How to critically		Winston Churchill, 'Blood, Toil, Sweat & Tears'
evaluate using	Section B – Writing	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IXxdsb6jT7o - Malala Yousafzai, 'One book, one
textual	In section B, pupils write	pen' <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=th5A6ZQ28pE</u> - JFK, 'We choose to go to the
references	their own piece of	moon' <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g5OJ205MdKI</u> - Mandela, 'I am prepared to
How to write a	persuasive writing This is to	die' <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IK8gYGg0dkE</u> - Roosevelt, Infamy Speech
range of	demonstrate their ability to	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OSpQfvd_zkE - Viola Davis, Diversity & opportunity
transactional	express a point of view.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Mb1Xg48tyE - Barack Obama's presidential
texts (letters,		election speech
articles,	This section assesses:	

	speeches and essays)	Assessment Objective 5: Communicate clearly, effectively and imaginatively, adapting tone. Organising information and ideas to support coherence and cohesion. Assessment Objective 6: Use a range of vocabulary and sentence structure for clarity and effect, with accurate spelling and punctuation.	
Spring 2 until exams	Bespoke revision By this point of the year pupils will have a comprehensive knowledge of the literature texts and approaches to exam questions. They will continue to develop their skills in writing, refining their drafting skills	Feedback/marking By this point in the year pupils will be completing various in class assessments from across all Language and Literature papers. The choice of paper and questions will be decided by the class teacher, depending on the needs of individual classes and pupils. Pupils will be given regular feedback from their teacher.	 Minimum homework expectation - to be set on G4S 60 minutes of compulsory homework per week that will include: Practice essay questions Practice papers Improving answers to respond to feedback Reading critical interpretations of literary texts Producing flashcards to revise characters and themes Revising for low-stakes in-class quizzes on the range of texts Use @nlsenglish YouTube channel to further develop their understanding of the English Literature texts Optional homework tasks and Literacy resources: The University of Bristol have a punctuation guide, including online activities - https://www.ole.bris.ac.uk/bbcswebdav/courses/Study_Skills/grammar-and-punctuation/index.html#/id/5eaff06288d7eb04c5efb43b

and developing	
resilience to	@MissHannaLovesGrammar – has a range of resources for English Language and English
write at length.	Literature
Teachers will	@ComicsandLit YouTube channel – illustrated versions of the texts to help with
adapt their	understanding
teaching to the	
specific needs of	KS4 Revision Hub on Teams – a host of revision resources, revision videos, past papers,
their groups	example questions and exemplar answers for both English Language and English
which allows	Literature.
them to hone	
the skills of	AQA English Language and English Literature - exam board websites for both
specific	qualifications we study. This will allow pupils to access past exam papers and access
assessment	helpful tips from AQA.
objectives. Pupils	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/gcse/english-language-8700
will build on	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/gcse/english-literature-8702
their ability to	
make an	Creating effective flashcards – here is a guide on how to use them effectively -
informed	https://chloeburroughs.com/flashcards/
personal	
response to	
exam style	
questions.	