

**Course Outline**

This qualification allows students to develop knowledge and skills in reading, writing and critical thinking. Through literature, students have a chance to develop culturally and acquire knowledge of the best that has been thought and written.

This qualification is suitable for a range of learners, who enjoy reading widely and as a preparation for studying literature at a higher level.

All students will study a modern drama text, Shakespeare, poetry and a 19<sup>th</sup> century novel.

All assessments are closed book and exams are single tier. The use of extract-based questions features in the 19<sup>th</sup> century novel and Shakespeare examinations.

Students will be expected to attend Theatre Trips and Poetry Live as part of this course.

**Assessment**

<b>Unit</b>	<b>Assessment Method</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Paper 1: Shakespeare and the 19 <sup>th</sup> century novel	<b>1 hour 45 min external examination (64 marks)</b>	<b>40%</b>
	Section A: Shakespeare (Macbeth)	20%
	Section B: The 19 <sup>th</sup> century novel (A Christmas Carol)	20%
Paper 2: Modern texts and poetry	<b>2 hours 15 min external examination</b>	<b>60%</b>
	Section A: Modern texts (An Inspector Calls)	20%
	Section B: Poetry (Power and Conflict)	20%
	Section C: Unseen poetry	20%

**Progression/further study**

English Literature A-Level can be useful if students are interested in a career in journalism, teaching, screen writing, script writing for T.V, radio and films (see University Prospectus or website for GCSE/ A-level grade requirements).