

GCSE English Language and Literature

EXAM BOARD: AQA



Within your English lessons, you will study and practise the skills required for Language and Literature alongside each other. After the terminal exams, you will achieve two separate grades: a grade for GCSE English Language and a grade for GCSE English Literature.



What's to love about English?

Enter Hilbre's English Department, where you'll always be greeted by a friendly face! It's a great team of teachers who will push you to achieve your best.

- English lessons will challenge you to develop your own ideas, to think critically and form passionate opinions.
- English lessons will help you to improve and sharpen both your academic and creative writing skills.
- Throughout the course, your study will introduce topics of history, politics, philosophy and languages that will help you gain a much deeper understanding of the texts that you read.



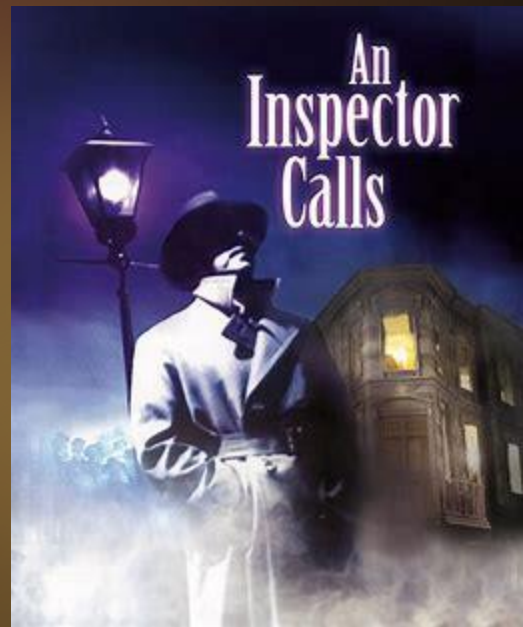
Currently, these are the Literature texts that we study:



Shakespeare



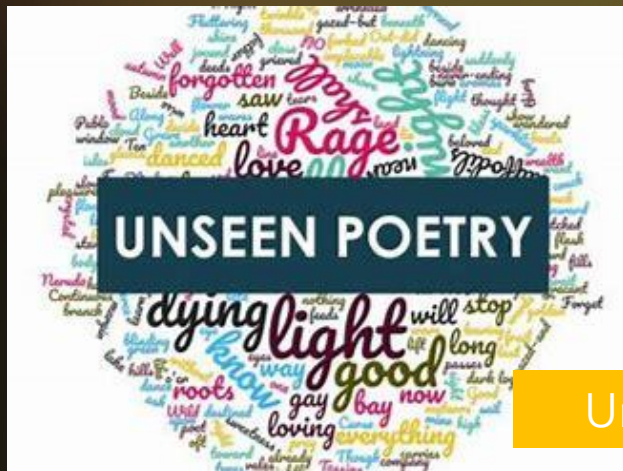
Pre 19th Century



Modern Texts



Poetry Anthology



Unseen Poetry 

Course Outline

English Language

Assessment Objectives:

- AO1:** Identify and interpret information and select evidence from different texts.
AO2: Analyse language and structure, using subject terminology.
AO3: Compare texts writers' ideas across two texts.
AO4: Evaluate texts critically and support this with evidence.
AO5: Communicate clearly, effectively and imaginatively and organise ideas using structural and grammatical features.
AO6: Sentence structure, spelling, punctuation and vocabulary.

<u>Paper 1</u> 21st Century Reading and Creative Prose Writing		<u>Paper 2</u> 19th and 20th Century Non-fiction Reading and Transactional/Persuasive Writing	
50% - 80 marks		50% - 80 marks	
1 hour 45 minutes exam		1 hour 45 minutes exam	
Section A – 21 st Century Literature Reading (Fiction)		Section A – 19 th and 20 th Century Non-fiction Reading (Non-Fiction)	
Section B – Creative Prose Writing (Fiction)		Section B – Transactional/Persuasive Writing (Non-Fiction)	
Section A Reading 25% - 40 marks	Section B Writing 25% - 40 marks	Section A Reading 25% - 40 marks	Section B Writing 25% - 40 marks
10 minutes reading, 50 minutes answering questions.	10 minutes planning, 35 minutes writing.	10 minutes reading, 50 minutes answering questions.	10 minutes planning, 35 minutes writing.
AO1 AO2 AO4	AO5 AO6	AO1 AO2 AO3	AO5 AO6



Course Outline

English Literature

Assessment Objectives:

AO1: Read, understand and respond to texts.

AO2: Analyse language, form and structure, using subject terminology.

AO3: Show understanding of the relationships between texts and the contexts in which they were written.

AO4: Sentence structure, spelling, punctuation and vocabulary.

<p>Paper 1 Shakespeare and 19th Century Novel</p> <p>40% - 64 marks</p> <p>1 hour 45 minutes exam</p> <p>Section A – Shakespeare (Macbeth)</p> <p>Section B – A Christmas Carol</p>		<p>Paper 2 Drama texts, the Anthology Poetry and Unseen Poetry</p> <p>60% - 96 marks</p> <p>2 hour 15 minutes exam</p> <p>Section A – Drama text (An Inspector Calls)</p> <p>Section B – The Anthology Poetry Comparison (Conflict)</p> <p>Section C – Unseen Poetry</p>		
<p>Section A Romeo and Juliet</p> <p>20% - 34 marks 55 minutes.</p> <p>Exploding Extract</p> <p>AO1 AO2 AO3 AO4</p>	<p>Section B ACC</p> <p>20% - 30 marks 50 minutes.</p> <p>Exploding Extract</p> <p>AO1 AO2 AO3</p>	<p>Section A AIC</p> <p>20% - 34 marks 45 minutes.</p> <p>Choice of Question</p> <p>AO1 AO2 AO3 AO4</p>	<p>Section B Anthology</p> <p>20%- 30 marks 45 minutes.</p> <p>Comparison</p> <p>AO1 AO2 AO3</p>	<p>Section C Unseen Poetry</p> <p>20%- 24 marks 8marks 45 minutes</p> <p>Response Comparison</p> <p>AO1 AO2 AO3</p>



Speaking and Listening

You will also be assessed on your ability to use Standard English when presenting to an audience.

Non-examination Assessment: Spoken Language

What's assessed

(AO7–AO9)

- presenting
- responding to questions and feedback
- use of Standard English

Assessed

- teacher set throughout course
- marked by teacher
- separate endorsement (0% weighting of GCSE)



Where can English take you?

Writer

Journalist

Blogger

**Information
and research**

Tourism

**Events
management**

Social work

Youth work

**Probation
work**

Teacher

**Human
resources**

**Retail
management
and sales**

