

Year 11 – Spring Term and Easter Revision 2020

GCSE English Literature and GCSE English Language

Wednesday 13th May – Examination on ‘Macbeth’ and ‘A Christmas Carol’ (40%)

Thursday 21st May – Examination on ‘An Inspector Calls’, ‘Power and Conflict Anthology Poetry’ and ‘Unseen Poetry’ (60%)

Tuesday 2nd June - English Language Paper 1 examination- Explorations in Creative Writing and Reading (50%)

Friday 5th June - English Language Paper 2 examination – Writers’ Viewpoints and Perspectives (50%)

Complete the following tasks over the remaining weeks of the Spring term and Easter holidays to put you in the best possible position for examination success next term.

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/gcse/english-literature-8702/assessment-resources>

Past papers can be accessed online at the above address.

GCSE English Literature

- ❖ Produce revision flash cards for each of the set literature texts, including points about linguistic and structural devices as well as context. Use Seneca and GCSEPod to revise each of the Literature set texts before writing full answers to the questions below.

Macbeth

- ❖ How does Shakespeare present violence in the Macbeth?
- ❖ To what extent does Shakespeare present Macbeth as a brave man in the play?
- ❖ To what extent does Shakespeare present Macduff as a heroic character in the play?
- ❖ How does Shakespeare present the changes in Lady Macbeth’s character?
- ❖ How does Shakespeare present the attitudes of Macbeth and Banquo towards the supernatural in the play?
- ❖ How does Shakespeare present the changes in Macbeth’s character?
- ❖ How are the themes of appearance and reality explored in Macbeth?

A Christmas Carol

- ❖ How does Dickens present the themes of transformation and redemption?
- ❖ How does Dickens present Scrooge’s isolation from society in the novel as a whole?
- ❖ How does Dickens present the importance of Christmas in the novel as a whole?
- ❖ How does Dickens present attitudes towards the poor in the novel as a whole?
- ❖ How does Dickens present the effect of Scrooge’s memories in the novel as a whole?
- ❖ How does Dickens present Scrooge’s relationship with his family?
- ❖ How does Dickens use the novel to highlight important issues in Victorian society?

An Inspector Calls

- ❖ How is Eric Birling presented in the play and how does his character link to Priestley's views?
- ❖ How is Gerald Croft presented in the play and how does his character link to Priestley's views?
- ❖ What function does the character of the Inspector have in An Inspector Calls, and how does Priestley present this character?
- ❖ How does Priestley present men in An Inspector Calls?
- ❖ How does Priestley explore the themes of poverty and social class in the play?

Power and Conflict Poetry

- ❖ Compare how poets present the effects of conflict on people in **Poppies** and in **one** other poem from Power and Conflict.
- ❖ Compare the ways poets present the power of the natural world in **Storm on the Island** and in **one** other poem from Power and Conflict.
- ❖ Compare the ways poets present ideas about identity in **The Emigrée** and in **one** other poem from Power and Conflict.
- ❖ Compare the ways poets present powerful individuals in **My Last Duchess** and in **one** other poem from Power and Conflict.
- ❖ Compare the ways poets present powerful memories in **Remains** and in **one** other poem from Power and Conflict.

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Use Seneca and GCSE Pod to create flash cards for each of the questions across the two examinations.

Complete the following Paper 1 writing tasks

- Write a detailed description of a supermarket on a busy day (find an image to help you)
- Write a story with the title 'The Stranger'
- Write a story with the title 'The Unfortunate Event'

Complete the following Paper 2 writing tasks

- 'Young people are lazy and should help more with housework.' Write the text to appear on a website about the issue of young people and housework in which you explain your point of view on this statement.
- 'People should spend more time helping our world in real life, rather than focusing on social media.' Write an article for a newspaper in which you explain your point of view on this statement.