

Year 13 Roadmap for English Literature

In English Literature we engage with what is really interesting about studying literary texts: exploring how deeper meanings arise, debating the issues that texts raise and developing our own critical interpretations.

Building on your enthusiasm for literature and a confident set of GCSE skills, you will experience a broad range of texts, authors and forms. Taking part in exploratory discussions will enable you to express, develop and challenge your own opinions, and to discover and utilise your own critical voice.

The skills you will develop are invaluable for further academic study and employment: students of literature are thoughtful, analytical, and can express their ideas with confidence and eloquence.

	Y13 AUTUMN TERM TOPICS	ASSESSMENT IN Y13
AUTUMN TERM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crime Poetry: Students will explore a selection of poetry that addresses criminal themes, considering how writers present social, moral, and emotional issues through verse. • NEA (Prose): Students will complete a coursework essay comparing two texts through a chosen critical lens, engaging with wider interpretations and debates. • The Murder of Roger Ackroyd: Students will study Agatha Christie's murder mystery, considering how fiction explores themes such as justice, morality, and criminal behaviour. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key Assessment points throughout the year will enable students to practise essay-based exam questions, building towards a full exam paper during mock week.
SPRING TERM	Y13 SPRING TERM TOPICS	HOMEWORK IN Y13
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tragedy Revision: Students will revisit their set texts for the tragedy paper, refining their analytical writing and strengthening their conceptual understanding of the genre. • Crime Texts: Students will explore the conventions of crime fiction, considering how writers create suspense, structure narratives, and address social concerns. • Revision: Students will revise both papers, putting into practice Key Assessment feedback in order to make improvements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will complete homework tasks to consolidate key knowledge, to develop revision methods, and to practise essay-writing skills.
SUMMER TERM	Y13 SUMMER TERM TOPICS	ENRICHMENT IN Y13
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final Revision: Students will revise Paper 1 and Paper 2 topics in detail, engaging with past questions, mark schemes, and examiners' reports. • Students will consolidate knowledge of all course content through practice papers, timed essays, and focused workshops. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students are actively encouraged to become Reading Mentors to contribute towards literacy development lower down the school.