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Sixth Form College



## ENGLISH LITERATURE

**DELVE INTO AN ECLECTIC RANGE OF TEXTS AND EXPLORE A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT THEMES ON THIS ENGAGING ENGLISH LITERATURE COURSE. BY ANALYSING POETRY, DRAMA, AND NOVELS FROM A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT TIME PERIODS YOU WILL BE ABLE TO FORM NEW IDEAS AND INVESTIGATE THE INFLUENCE OF CONTEXT. YOU WILL FURTHER DEVELOP SKILLS IN LITERARY ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION, WHICH WILL HELP YOU TO ENGAGE CRITICALLY AND CREATIVELY WITH LANGUAGE.**

### TOPICS YOU'LL COVER

#### YEAR ONE

- Poetry: Poems of the decade
- Drama: Hamlet/Othello. You will explore topics such as adultery, duplicity and the meaning of life and love.
- Science and society: Comparisons between Never Let Me Go and Frankenstein explore the ethical issues surrounding cloning and recreation of life after death.

#### YEAR TWO

- Poetry: 'The Less Deceived' by Philip Larkin
- Drama and tragedy: Doctor Faustus - you will explore themes such as ambition, power, sin and dabbling in the dark arts

### ASSESSMENT

At the end of the second year 80% exam and 20% coursework. The coursework element will allow you to explore topics and texts that you are passionate about in order to create a sophisticated and detailed piece of work.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At least five GCSEs at Grade 5 or above, including English Literature and English Language.

A passion for reading is also very helpful!

### PROGRESSION POSSIBILITIES

**CAREERS:** Journalist, teacher, academic researcher, copywriter, editor, lawyer, human resources, publishing assistant, communications and PR professional.

**UNIVERSITY STUDY:** English Literature, Linguistics, Journalism, History, Politics, Communication Studies, Management, Film Studies.

### SKILLS DEVELOPED

Throughout the course you will develop your writing, comparative and interpretation skills. You will develop your analytical skills and be able to apply these skills to a wide variety of texts and even to other subjects. Texts range in age from the 1600's – 2000's which allows you to access and explore a range of historical contexts and apply them to the texts. Lessons typically consist of a variety of teaching methods including presentations, discussions, drama and close analysis.

### ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- College Magazine
- Reading Group
- Literature Extension Group
- Theatre Productions

### QUALIFICATION

A LEVEL

LEVEL

LEVEL 3

CURRENT EXAM BOARD

EDEXCEL

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**Additional Information:** You will be required to pay a course fee of £20 for materials and resources used in the course. If there are any issues with being able to pay these costs, please contact Richard Taunton Sixth Form College. A breakdown of the course contributions can be found on our website

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