

# A Level English Literature

Exam Board: AQA

## Why study English?

This A-Level course allows you to develop as informed, independent readers and critics of literary texts. It will also develop your thinking skills. The course involves a range of literary study from different periods and genres, including novels, plays and poetry. Lessons are focused on group and class discussion of texts but will also include research and other activities as well as written work. The course is for those of you who enjoy reading as you will be expected to read independently beyond the set texts studies in class.

## What will I study?

### THE AS ENGLISH LITERATURE COURSE IN YEAR 12

Unit Title	Assessment
<b>Texts in Context</b> This unit focuses on wide reading around the theme of The Struggle for Identity in Modern Literature	Examination on wider reading and poetry worth <b>60%</b>
<b>Creative Study</b> You will compare a novel and a play. This is assessed through two pieces of coursework.	Coursework worth <b>40%</b> . Two pieces of coursework (2000-2500) words. 1. A personal, creative response to the texts studied 2. A comparative essay on the texts studied

### THE A2 ENGLISH LITERATURE COURSE IN YEAR 13

Unit Title	Assessment (50% carried from the AS course)
<b>Reading for Meaning</b> You will study three texts and undertake a wider reading on the theme of Love over Time	Examination worth <b>60%</b> . Comparing extracts and texts that you have read as well as those that are unseen
<b>Extended Essay and Shakespeare Study</b> You will study three texts on a shared theme and one of these texts will be a Shakespeare play	Coursework worth <b>40%</b> . One extended essay comparing three texts studied of 3000 words

## **What can it lead to?**

The course provides you with an excellent qualification for a range of careers as well as showing evidence of linguistic and intellectual skills applicable to a wide range of Higher Education courses and jobs. Future career prospects include journalism, teaching, banking and business.