



# Curriculum Overview

## Curriculum Area: English and English Literature

Year: 10

### Curriculum covered

#### **Autumn Term**

**English Literature** - All pupils will begin by studying J.B Priestley's 'An Inspector Calls' with a focus on characters, events and themes. In the second part of this term, all pupils will read A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens. All pupils will also begin exploring poems from the Eduqas Poetry Anthology through an in depth study of seven poems exploring the themes of nature and sense of place. These include The Prelude, Living Space, London, As Imperceptibly as Grief, To Autumn, Death of a Naturalist and Afternoons.

**English Language** - All pupils will develop knowledge and understanding of the English Language Component 1 reading section. They will focus on how to approach the paper, questions stems and how to embed references from the text in their answers. All pupils will study the format and tone of an effective review and use their acquired knowledge and understanding of A Christmas Carol to write a review of the novel to demonstrate what they have learnt.

#### **Spring Term**

**English Literature** – All pupils will begin the spring term by studying William Shakespeare's Macbeth with focus on characters, events and themes. All pupils will continue studying poetry from the Anthology by focusing on those that explore the theme of war. These will include Manhunt, Dulce et Decorum est, The Soldier and Mametz Wood. In addition to these, all pupils will study Ozymandias and Hawk Roosting.

**English Language** – This term, all pupils will develop their knowledge and understanding of Component 2 reading. They will also explore narrative writing and how to construct a successful short story. Towards the end of this term, all pupils will prepare and perform and deliver an individual controversial speech for their Spoken Language assessment.

#### **Summer Term**

**English Literature** – All pupils will develop their knowledge and understanding of the Unseen Poetry section through the study of a range of poetry. To begin with, this will be done through paired, small group and class discussions. Pupils will complete their study of the Anthology by exploring the love poems – Valentine, Sonnet 43, She Walks in Beauty and Cozy Apologia.

**English Language** – All pupils will use the final term to develop knowledge and understanding of transactional writing; including reports, formal and informal letters.

### Internal Assessment

A variety of informal assessments such as knowledge checker quizzes, question and answers and interleaving activities will be used during lessons to assess pupils' knowledge of the different GCSE components. In addition to this, pupils will complete formal assessments each half term.

#### Autumn Term

**Poetry Anthology** – all pupils will complete a part (a) question assessing their knowledge of one of the poems studied.

**English Language Component 1** – all pupils will complete questions 1-3 in timed conditions.

**English Literature Component 2** – all pupils will write a review of A Christmas Carol.

#### Spring Term

**English Language Component 2** – all pupils will complete questions 1-4 in timed conditions.

**Poetry Anthology** – all pupils will write a comparison of two of the poems studied.

#### Summer Term

**Spoken Language** – all pupils will deliver a formal speech/presentation.

**English Literature Component 2** – all pupils will complete a part (a) unseen poetry response.

### Exam Board/Exam Paper Requirements/% Weighting

#### Key dates (mocks and final exams)

**Eduqas English Language - Component 1:** 20<sup>th</sup> Century Literature Reading Creative Prose and Writing – 1 hour 45 minutes – 40% - written exam.

**Component 2:** 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Non-fiction Reading and Transactional/Persuasive Writing – 2 hours – 60% – written exam.

**Component 3:** Spoken Language – Individual presentation/Speech

**Eduqas English Literature -Component 1:** Shakespeare (Macbeth) and Poetry – 2 hours -40%.

**Component 2:** Post 1914 Drama (An inspector Calls), 19<sup>th</sup> Century Prose (A Christmas Carol) and Unseen Poetry – 2hours 30 minutes – 60% - written exam.

### Helpful resources/revision guides/websites/exam preparation

- Throughout Year 10, pupils will be reading and studying a variety of texts; especially for the GCSE English Literature course. With this in mind, pupils are encouraged to re-read texts, but also read fiction and non-fiction texts for pleasure/
- CGP revision books are available through school's ParentPay for all components of the English Language and Literature.
- All pupils will be completing notes for all the poems from the Anthology within booklets. These are a great source to revise from.
- All pupils will be taught how to compile revision cards on components of the exams, so these can be used at home.
- All pupils are encouraged to attend revision sessions after school and at lunch times.
- Theatre trips throughout the year are a good way of consolidating knowledge of the Literature texts.