

	Half Term	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Autumn Term 2023	1	<p><b>Story &amp; Context</b> This scheme develops pupils' awareness that texts are constructs and that writers are influenced by their experiences and their cultural contexts. <b>Key text:</b> Sir Gawain &amp; the Green Knight translated by Simon Armitage. <i>This text allows us to explore a particular historical context and its impact on the themes and characters a writer includes in their story. Through this text, we introduce the themes of identity and belonging.</i></p>	<p><b>Perspective &amp; Point- of-View</b> Building on the schemes studied so far, particularly 7.1, this looks at how a writer's perspective is influenced by their context, and how that in turn influences the writing they produce. <b>Key text:</b> Journey's End by RC Sherriff. <i>This text allows us to explore a work written by someone with a particularly keen perspective - Sherriff was a war veteran writing a play based on his own experiences.. He creates an authentic view of life in the trenches in order to put forward a more realistic perspective of WWI. This makes it a particularly good text for exemplifying the concept of perspective. We also introduce the trauma as a theme and explore different attitudes to war through war poetry.</i></p>	<p><b>Representation</b> This scheme explores how groups in society are represented in texts. It draws on all of the previous concepts to develop a more mature understanding that every text is a representation of reality. <b>Key text:</b> <i>Othello by William Shakespeare. The text allows us to explore representation as well as building pupils' understanding of and confidence with Shakespeare. We also explore jealousy and betrayal.</i></p>	<p><b>'A Christmas Carol'</b> <b>English Language:</b> Narrative and transactional writing (Linked to 'A Christmas Carol') <b>Poetry Anthology:</b> <i>War and conflict</i> Charge of the Light Brigade, Bayonet Charge, Remains, Poppies, War Photographer</p>	<p>English Literature: <b>'Macbeth'</b> <b>English Language:</b> Aut 1: Paper 1 preparation Aut 2: Paper 2 preparation</p>
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Spring Term 2024	3	<p><b>Characterisation &amp; Setting</b> This scheme focuses on connecting people and places with understanding of how and why they express a writer's intention. <b>Key text:</b> The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman. <i>We can use this text to analyse a writer's exploration of aspects of growing up. Gaiman uses a range of strategies to present his characters. This unit allows pupils to explore these approaches and use some of them in their own writing.</i></p>	<p><b>Rhetoric</b> This scheme will seek to delve into the more profound notions of ethos, pathos &amp; logos expounded by Aristotle. We also take a broad view of 'rhetoric' by including more subtle approaches to the notion of influencing. <b>Key text:</b> Extract-based work on Animal Farm by George Orwell. <i>This text exemplifies the significance of rhetoric in relation to political oppression, which is an important theme for pupils to study. We will also look at ideas within this, such as the relationship between emotion and reason in the human psyche. We also include speeches from Henry V and Julius Ceasar in our study of rhetoric.</i></p>	<p><b>Structure</b> Pupils will have encountered these terms already but this scheme will allow for a more in-depth exploration of how different forms create different kinds of experience for audiences. We also look at how sequencing relates to meaning. <b>Key text:</b> Heroes by Robert Cormier. <i>Heroes by Robert Cormier. The manipulation of time makes this an interesting text through which to explore structure. It also allows us to reflect on the notion of a 'hero', an idea pupils will have come across before, and deepen pupils' understanding of this idea as well as introducing guilt as a theme.</i></p>	<p><b>'An Inspector Calls'</b> <b>English Language:</b> Narrative and transactional (Linked to 'An Inspector Calls') <b>Poetry Anthology:</b> <i>The Power of Nature</i> Ozymandias, Prelude, Storm on the Island, Exposure, Tissue</p>	<p>English Literature and Language: Revision for all papers.</p>
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Summer Term 2024	5	<p><b>Genre &amp; Theme</b> This scheme is focussed on understanding genres and themes. How and why writers create themes and how different texts are connected. <b>Key text:</b> <i>The Giver by Lois Lowry. This text allows us to explore a particular genre - dystopia - in detail.</i></p>	<p><b>Connotation, Imagery &amp; Symbolism</b> We explore metaphorical thought and language so that pupils learn about the conventions and shared meanings that underpin English. <b>Key text:</b> The Flowers by Alice Walker and other short stories/ poetry with a focus on symbolism.</p>	<p><b>Consolidating the Concepts</b> This final KS3 unit brings together everything that students have learned up to this point and places it within the context of the GCSE English Language and Literature courses. This unit helps students to transition between KS3 and KS4.</p>	<p><b>English Language:</b> Paper 2 (non-fiction reading and writing skills) <b>Spoken Language Assessment Anthology - Power, Identity and Memory</b> • The Emigree, Checking out Me History, London, My Last Duchess Kamikaze</p>	
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