

English Literature

Examination Board: OCR (H472)

GCSE Required: English Literature Grade 6
Skills: Love of reading

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What is covered in the course:

- One Shakespeare play, likely to be *Hamlet* or *Richard III*.
- Poetry pre-1900, likely to be Coleridge, Tennyson or Rossetti.
- Drama post-1900, likely to be Williams' *A Streetcar Named Desire* or Bennett's *The History Boys*.
- Comparative study of Prose post-1900; current pairing is 'The Great Gatsby' with 'Sister Carrie.'
- One pre-1900 drama text, to be chosen from Marlowe, Webster, Ibsen or Wilde.
- A coursework unit where three texts agreed by the teacher will be studied. Two tasks must be completed for the folder: one close analytical reading response or a re-creative piece with commentary, and one comparative essay on a shared theme. Texts in translation are not permitted.
Internally assessed coursework

How will the subject be taught:

A variety of teaching methods will be employed to develop your thinking, writing and analytical skills as well as your confidence in presenting your opinions. You will be encouraged to lead as well as participate in seminar style lessons, undertake individual projects and work in small groups. Under staff guidance you will be encouraged to develop your own independent learning and research skills.

What opportunities come with this subject:

English Literature is widely recognised as an academic subject and complements many other areas of study at A level. Analytical writing and research skills acquired through this course are acknowledged and valued by employers whilst ensuring that you are well prepared to study at degree level.

Higher Education/Career Implications:

English graduates enter a huge range of careers such as teaching, banking, advertising, publishing and research. Luminaries such as Steven Spielberg, Sting, Stephen King, Colin Greenwood and Natasha Kaplinsky are all English graduates.