

Westfield Academy - Curriculum Information

In the English Literature GCSE, students study a range of set texts in different genres. For instance, they study Macbeth by William Shakespeare, the Edexcel 'Relationships' anthology, An Inspector Calls by JB Priestley and The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde by RL Stevenson. Students will be expected to write about extracts from Macbeth and The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde whereby they demonstrate their evaluative skills in regards to language, form and structure analysis. For the remaining questions, students must consider and examine a text in its entirety, engaging with sustaining a view on particular characters, themes and relationships in, across and throughout a text.

GCSE English Literature

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Lessons per 2 week cycle	8 lessons across 2 weeks	
Specification/Board details/Key stage	Pearson Edexcel English Literature (9-1) Year 10	

Term by term

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1
Relationships Poetry (Edexcel Anthology)	An Inspector Calls	The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde
Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Revision of content - Macbeth, Poetry (seen and unseen), An Inspector Calls, The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde	Mock preparation and Spoken Language preparation	Spoken Language exam Literature revision Introduction to English Language
Key Skills developed	<p>This course develops a range of transferable skills for students whilst simultaneously helping to foster a love of reading. Students learn to talk about different types of relationships in a mature way, examine the effects of capitalism upon society, evaluate the concept of a respectable citizen and more generally learn to refine their essay-writing skills, thereby improving their written and verbal communication skills. As the year ends with the English Language component of Spoken Language, students also develop their presentation skills and their ability to meet the needs of an audience and to respond to questions in some detail.</p>	

Useful Websites	Pearson Edexcel Literature (9-1) website BBC Bitesize Physics Maths Tutor YouTube (especially BBC Teach) Sparknotes Cliffnotes																				
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Homework requirements	Students will be set homework on Google Classroom amounting to around 45 minutes per week.		
Personal Development Links	Students will have a range of personal development opportunities throughout this course For instance, students will discuss functional and dysfunctional relationships, requited and unrequited love as well as platonic and romantic love in their Relationships component. This will help develop their maturity and perceptions of adult relationships. Furthermore, their study of The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde as well as An Inspector Calls will encourage their critical thinking around power and class in society.		
Trips/Visits (If applicable)	Where possible, the department try to arrange trips to see theatrical adaptations of the set texts.		