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A Level English Literature

Do you want to broaden your mind, read more widely, become more interesting, cultured, imaginative and generally well-versed in intellectual discussion? Studying A Level English Literature gives you a chance to read and discuss a range of writers, different cultures and periods of history. If you love reading and the craft of the English language, and you want to become an expert whilst having fun, then this is the subject for you!

Course outline and syllabus

Examination board: OCR

Qualification: English Literature (A Level)

Course component	Content
01: Drama and poetry pre-1900	Written examination - closed book (60 marks) 2hrs 30mins; 40% of A Level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section A (30 marks): <i>Hamlet</i> by William Shakespeare Section B (30 marks): <i>The Duchess of Malfi</i> by John Webster and <i>Paradise Lost Books IX & X</i> by John Milton
02: Comparative and contextual study	Written examination - closed book (60 marks) 2hrs 30mins; 40% of A Level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section A (30 marks): close analysis of an unseen passage based on the chosen topic area, 'American Literature 1880-1940' Section B (30 marks): comparative essay of two studied texts from the topic area 'American Literature 1880-1940': <i>The Great Gatsby</i> by F. Scott Fitzgerald and <i>The Grapes of Wrath</i> by John Steinbeck
03: Literature post-1900 (coursework)	Coursework (40 marks) Two tasks; 20% of A Level <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Task 1 (15 marks): close critical analysis of the poetry of W.B. Yeats Task 2 (25 marks): comparative essay based on two texts, e.g. <i>The Go-Between</i> by L.P. Hartley and <i>The History Boys</i> by Alan Bennett

We would be delighted to welcome you to A Level English in September. If you would like more information about studying our subject at A Level, then please email:

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