

<b>Subject: English Literature</b>	
<b>Examination Board: OCR</b>	<b>Specification code: H472</b>
<b>Component 1:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shakespeare</li> <li>Poetry and Drama (pre 1900)</li> </ul>	<b>Component 1 Assessment:</b> Exam. 2 hours 30 minutes. Questions on both elements of Component 1. 60 marks Closed text Worth 40% of the final mark.
<b>Component 2:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Close reading from a chosen topic area (eg Dystopia)</li> <li>Comparative and contextual study from chosen area</li> </ul>	<b>Component 2 Assessment:</b> Exam. 2 hours 30 minutes. Questions on comparison of texts studied for Component 2. 60 marks Closed text Worth 40% of the final mark.
<b>Component 3:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Close reading of texts based around a theme (eg Conflict) Post 1900.</li> <li>Planning and writing comparative essay</li> </ul>	<b>Component 3 Assessment:</b> Coursework essay comparing texts studied for Component 3. 40 marks Can be drafted Worth 20% of the final mark
<b>What students can expect from the course:</b> <p>Students can expect to immerse themselves in a range of texts that will facilitate their need to consider not only powerful works of literature but also concepts and ideas that are fundamental to the human condition.</p> <p>There will be an emphasis on independent reading and comparing a wide range of different viewpoints, both personal and political.</p> <p>At times, mature themes will be discussed and debated in the context of the literature studied.</p>	

Students who are considering studying English Literature at A level should be avid readers with a desire to experience a range of texts that span centuries and cultures. Essay writing and responding to exam style questions are key elements of the course as students prepare for the exam components outlined above.

Students will need to be willing to share their views in class discussions and be prepared to challenge and question texts.

**Expected GCSE qualifications:**

We recommend students have achieved a Grade 6 in English to be successful at A Level.