2018 English Literature

Assessment Objectives:

AO1: Read, understand and respond to texts. Students should be able to maintain a critical style and develop an informed personal response and use textual references, including quotations, to support and illustrate interpretations.

AO2: Analyse the language, form and structure used by a writer to create meanings and effects, using relevant subject terminology where appropriate.

AO3: Show understanding of the relationships between texts and the contexts in which they were written.

AO4: Use a range of vocabulary and sentence structures for clarity, purpose and effect, with accurate spelling and punctuation.

All assessments are closed book.

Paper 1: Shakespeare and the 19th-century novel

What's assessed

- Shakespeare (Macbeth)
- 19th Century Novel (A Christmas Carol)

How its assessed

- Written exam (1 hour 45 mins)
- 64 marks overall
 - o Macbeth: 34 marks
 - A Christmas Carol:30 marks
- 40% of GCSE

Questions

Section A Macbeth:

Students will answer one question on their play of choice. They will be required to write in detail about an extract from the play and then to write about the play as a whole.

Section B A Christmas Carol:

Students will answer one question on their novel of choice. They will be required to write in detail about an extract from the novel and then to write about the novel as a whole.

Tuesday 22nd May 2018

Paper 2: Modern texts and poetry

What's assessed

- Modern Text (Blood Brothers)
- Poetry (Power and Conflict)
- Unseen Poetry

How its assessed

- Written exam (2 hours 15 mins)
- 96 marks overall
 - o Blood Brothers: 34 marks
 - o Poetry: 30 marks
 - Unseen Poetry: 32 marks
- 60% of GCSE

Questions

Section A Blood Brothers:

Students will answer one essay question from a choice of two on their studied modern prose or drama text.

Section B Poetry:

Students will answer one comparative question on one named poem printed on the paper and one other poem from their chosen anthology cluster.

Section C Unseen poetry:

Students will answer one question on one unseen poem and one question comparing this poem with a second unseen poem.

Friday 25th May 2018