



QPHS Year 10 English Curriculum Map

| Half term | Title | Unit summary | Assessment |
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| 1 | GCSE Language Paper 1: Writing Skills | Students will develop their skills of descriptive and narrative writing. Students will read examples of contemporary literary fiction, exploring the ways that writers use language to create compelling settings and characters. They will then practise using these skills in their own writing, developing their use of ambitious vocabulary, structure and language devices. | 1 hour writing task: Students will write a descriptive or narrative response to an image prompt. |
| 2 | <i>A Christmas Carol</i> (GCSE Literature Paper 1) | Students will read Dickens' classic novel, examining the ways in which he uses language, structure, setting and character to explore his ideas about poverty, inequality and redemption in Victorian London. Students will develop their analytical and essay-writing skills. | 1 hour essay writing task: Beginning with this extract from Stave Three, explore the ways in which Dickens presents the suffering of the poor. |
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| 4 | GCSE Language Paper 1: Reading Skills | Building on the skills developed in HT1, students will continue practising exam skills linked to GCSE Language Paper 1. They will read a variety of extracts from contemporary fiction and analyse the writers' use of language and structure to create meaning, in addition to evaluating different viewpoints about those texts. | 1 hour past paper assessment. Students will respond to questions 1-4. |
| 5 | AQA Anthology: Power and Conflict Poetry (GCSE Literature Paper 2) | Students will read 15 poems based around themes of power and conflict, exploring connections between them, and how their writers use language, form and structure to convey their ideas. Poets studied include: Shelley, Blake, Wordsworth, Owen, Hughes, Duffy, and Armitage. | 1 hour essay writing task: How do poets present the ways that war affects people in 'Remains' and one other poem from 'Power and conflict'? |
| 6 | Revision for mock exams | Teachers will create a bespoke programme of revision lessons to support the needs of their students. | Mock exams will change annually, but will assess both English Literature and English Language. |