

Year 11 – Podcasts, documentaries and extra reading:

Hello Year 11,

The following list is a series of podcasts, documentaries and essays that will hopefully be an enjoyable way of exploring the texts we have studied in Literature even further. They are more like the kind of resource you might use at A Level so we hope you have fun exploring them.

For Frankenstein:

1. In Our Time, Mary Shelley: A Podcast about Mary Shelley's life and work - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m00051n6>
2. You're Dead to Me, Frankenstein: A less serious podcast about Frankenstein and Mary Shelley's life - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p08532gd>
3. Brains On, The Science Behind *Frankenstein* - <https://www.brainson.org/shows/2018/01/16/mary-shelley-and-the-science-of-frankenstein>
4. You're Dead to Me, Byron: Byron was another Romantic writer who was very famous and very naughty - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p07r3cdy>
5. The Guardian: An article on Mary Shelley - <https://www.theguardian.com/books/2018/jan/13/frankenstein-at-200-why-hasnt-mary-shelley-been-given-the-respect-she-deserves->
6. A Twitter thread of lectures and videos on Frankenstein: <https://twitter.com/themassolit/status/1243104845059547136?s=12>

For An Inspector Calls:

1. The British Library: Pictures from Priestley's scrapbook containing programmes and reviews from the first performances on An Inspector Calls - <https://www.bl.uk/collection-items/j-b-priestleys-scrapbook-containing-programmes-and-reviews-for-an-inspector-calls>
2. An essay where you can discover exactly why Priestley felt so strongly that there should be greater equality - <https://www.bl.uk/20th-century-literature/articles/an-inspector-calls-and-j-b-priestleys-political-journey>
3. A Podcast about the life of J.B Priestley - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/b00x95hm>

Romeo and Juliet:

1. You can stream plays from the Globe Theatre here: <https://globeplayer.tv/>
2. <https://londonist.com/london/books-and-poetry/patrick-stewart-is-treating-twitter-to-one-shakespearean-sonnet-a-day-during-lockdown>
3. A PDF full of links that will teach you more about the context of *Romeo and Juliet*: <file:///D:/Users/GLaszlo/Downloads/Contextual%20summary%20of%20Romeo%20and%20Juliet.pdf>
4. An in depth analysis of the Romeo and Juliet's characters in the balcony scene <https://www.bl.uk/shakespeare/articles/character-analysis-romeo-and-juliet>
5. Documentary on Shakespeare's life <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qafnuBH8KPs>
6. Literary podcast on Shakespeare: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00545dp>
7. Is Shakespeare History? : <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0000qnh>
8. Just for fun, a BBC comedy about Shakespeare with David Mitchell: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p05dt3hg/upstart-crow-series-2-6-sweet-sorrow>

For Power and Conflict Poems:

1. Percy Shelley, Ozymandias :
  - A video and article about the discovery of Ozymandias' statue: <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2017/mar/09/look-on-my-works-ye-mighty-ozymandias-statue-found-in-mud>
  - A Discussion about Percy Shelley's life: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uWpXY\\_eGG10](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uWpXY_eGG10)
  - Akala discussing Ozymandias: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tRWbo2x5lnA>

2. William Wordsworth, Extract from the Prelude:
  - A podcast about the poem: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00899w0>
  - Akala discussing The Prelude: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EGn1llx\\_3o4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EGn1llx_3o4)
3. William Blake, London:
  - British Library essay on the Romantics and the manuscript of London: <https://www.bl.uk/romantics-and-victorians/articles/looking-at-the-manuscript-of-william-blakes-london>
  - Akala discussing London: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lo0GMqgEuus>
4. Wilfred Owen, Exposure:
  - Poetry Reading with pictures: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=memMg6ixEy4>
  - Interviews with people in WW1: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/p01tbkqk/the-great-war-interviews>
5. Seamus Heaney, Storm on the Island:
  - A documentary on The Troubles: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m0007pb4/peter-taylor-my-journey-through-the-troubles>
  - A podcast celebrating Seamus Heaney's life <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02h1l53/episodes/downloads>
6. Beatrice Garland, Kamikaze:
  - Video interview with two kamikaze pilots: <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2015/aug/11/the-last-kamikaze-two-japanese-pilots-tell-how-they-cheated-death>
7. Ted Hughes, Bayonet Charge:
  - An article about Ted Hughes' life and experience of war: <https://www.bl.uk/20th-century-literature/articles/ted-hughes-and-war>
8. Alfred Tennyson, The Charge of the Light Brigade:
  - Analysis of the poem: <file:///D:/Users/GLaszlo/Downloads/teachers-tennyson-charge-of-the-light-brigade-a-close-reading.pdf>
  - A video explanation of the Crimean War: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XHNzUDNegx0>
9. Carol Ann Duffy, War Photographer:
  - Interview with a famous War Photographer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U2plqDFYcoY>
  - A teacher links Don McCullin's photographs and the poem: <https://johnmsett.com/2017/02/10/this-much-i-know-about-teaching-carol-ann-duffys-poem-war-photographer/>
10. Jane Weir, Poppies:
  - Jane Weir tells us more about her poem: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r8QlcYdJPG0>
11. Simon Armitage, Remains:
  - Photos of soldiers before, during and after war: <https://mymodernmet.com/lalage-snow-we-are-the-not-dead-interview/>
  - A veteran discusses PTSD: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4DH\\_d6Ao8QA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4DH_d6Ao8QA)
12. Carol Rumens, The Emigree:
  - What does Rumens say about her poem?: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=64UHwtLRW6A>
13. Imtiaz Dharker, Tissue:
  - Dharker discusses her poem: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a\\_zmCWgbzso](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a_zmCWgbzso)
14. John Agard, Checking out Me History:
  - John Agard talks about race: <https://podcasts.nu/avsnitt/the-guardian-childrens-books-podcast/john-agard-reads-his-poem-half-caste-and-talks-about-race-childrens-books-podcast>
  - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aObT\\_VJfSyl](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aObT_VJfSyl)
15. Robert Browning, My Last Duchess:
  - <https://www.bl.uk/learning/langlit/poetryperformance/browning/josephinehart/aboutbrowning.html>
  - <https://www.bl.uk/learning/langlit/poetryperformance/browning/poem1/browning1.html>