

What We Have Studied So Far

So far in Year 10, we have covered the following elements of the GCSE exam specification.

GCSE English Language

- Component One – Fiction Reading
- Narrative Writing (currently completing)
- Component Two – Non-fiction Reading
- Transactional Writing

GCSE English Literature

- Unseen Poetry
- A Christmas Carol

We will cover some poems from the new anthology before the end of the year also.

GCSE Spoken Language

Presentations have been written and will be recorded before the end of the academic year.

What We Will Cover In Year 11

In Year 11 we will cover the following elements alongside revising/practising exam techniques that we have already covered.

- Boys Don't Cry
- Macbeth
- Poetry anthology

This year we introduced 'Throwback Thursday' to revise/complete timed exam practice in lessons. This keeps the importance of revision in pupils' minds as well as providing time to guide it. Furthermore, it allows pupils to continue to build up stamina need for the exams. We will continue to use this in Year 11.

Independent Learning Expectations

During our study of 'A Christmas Carol' we trialled using independent learning weekly quizzes to support pupils. We found that this was useful/successful and will continue this as we study our remaining texts and to recap prior learning also.

Pupils may also be asked to complete past questions or work from class as part of their independent learning.

When pupils do not have independent learning which has been specifically given to them, it is expected that they will be completing independent revision. Which could involve creating revision resources (such as flashcards or Cornell notes pages) or it could be testing themselves to highlight areas of strength and development.

