Year 9 Learning Journey: English

YEAR 9

YEAR 10

Unit 1

Viewpoint Writing

Year 9 begins with studying how to express your views in a non-fiction piece of writing. You will write for a range of forms and purposes and consider a variety of issues.

Writing Assessment: Non-fiction writing

Retrieval from Y8

Unit 2

The Gothic

You will study the conventions of the gothic genre and look at examples of some of the most famous gothic texts. You will then use these conventions in your own writing.

Reading Assessment: Extract Analysis

Unit 3

Poetic Monologues

You will study a range of poems which focus on characters and their experiences. You will develop your poetic analysis skills and practise the more difficult skill of comparing poems.

Reading Assessment: Poetry Comparison

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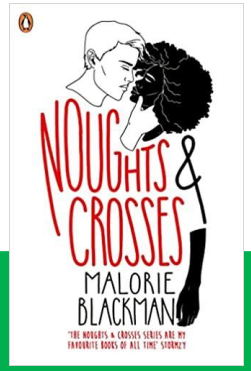
Unit 4



Noughts and Crosses

Next you will read the novel 'Noughts and Crosses' over a full term. You will study the plot, themes and characters and practice your analysis skills.

Writing Assessment (2.2): Non-fiction Writing

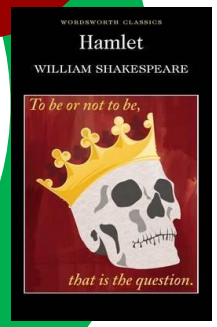
Reading Assessment (3.1): Novel Analysis

Unit 5

Shakespeare's Tragedies

You will end Year 9 by developing your understanding of the tragedy genre. You will study extracts from a range of Shakespearean texts and know the conventions of the genre.

Writing Assessment: Fiction Writing



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How will you be assessed in English?

- You will be formally assessed six times throughout the year. Three times on writing skills and three times on reading skills.
- You will have three pieces of homework per unit: two progress tasks and one piece of revision.
- Fortnightly, you will have a library lesson following the Accelerated Reader programme. Your reading ability will be assessed three times throughout the year.

By the end of Year 9:

- ✓ You will meet the end points of Year 9 that are indicated at the back of your book.
- ✓ By the end of Year 9 you will be able to understand and analyse a range of different texts, both fiction and non-fiction.
- ✓ You will be able to consider layers of meaning and display your understanding of a text in detail.
- ✓ You will be able to support your ideas with appropriate evidence and comment on the methods used by the writer.
- ✓ Your confidence with writing skills should also be stronger and you should be able to produce more extended and imaginative pieces.