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English Year 9	Module 1	Module 2	Module 3
Topic Theme and Intent	Students explore the stage adaptation of Malorie Blackman's acclaimed novel, Noughts and Crosses, Students engage with stagecraft, characterisation and the dystopian genre, studying a modern play in preparation for GCSE.	Students study War Literature , through the novel Heroes by Robert Cormier . They produce their own creative writing using ideas from the module as stimulus and engage with the struggles that arise from conflict, in preparation for their GCSE.	Students will study William Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice, focusing on the conventions of Tragedy to prepare them for their English Literature GCSE.
<u>Knowledge</u>	 Understanding of the purpose, audience for, and context of the writing and drawing on this knowledge to support comprehension. How language, stagecraft and structure presents meaning. The conventions of dystopian literature and its impact. 	 The effect of war on a range of people and how literature has conveyed these perspectives. How Literature serves as a powerful outlet for experiences of war. How war filtered into storytelling. A range of poetic conventions. 	 The established traditions of Tragedy The relevance of 16th/17th century drama in the 21st century. The dramatic structure and impact of the language and stagecraft on the audience.
<u>Skills</u>	Students analyse and evaluate stagecraft and characterisation in the play, understanding how these conventions are used to convey meaning. They discuss the issue of racism and vocalise ideas in a mature and empathetic way.	Students select, summarise and organise information. They analyse the effect of literary conventions, linking context and writers' aims and forming critical analysis. They produce effective creative writing in response.	Students form personal responses to a literary text by making inferences and analysing language choices, using relevant literary terminology to support ideas.
Literacy Links	Reading – a whole play which deals with issues of racism, social hierarchy and prejudice. Writing – applying rhetoric to their own compositions. Oracy – discussion of genre, theme and their influences on literature. Expressing opinions on social injustices	Reading – students respond to Robert Cormier's modern novella, Heroes. Writing – analytical and evaluative responses and creative writing. Oracy – discussion of political, social, and moral ideas.	Reading – Merchant of Venice whole play Writing – analytical responses to literature and writing to describe, informed by the play as a stimulus. Oracy – performing Shakespearean language, discussion of plot, theme, genre etc.
Essential Vocabulary	Persecution, subjugation, impoverished, implicit, perspective, intention, persona.	Propaganda, futility, patriotism, narrative, characterisation, plot, suspense, climax.	Elizabethan, Jacobean, renaissance, patriarchal, morality, justice, revenge, tragedy.

Disciplinary Reading	ıg
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Robert Louis Stevenson – Treasure Island



Patrick Ness – Chaos Walking Trilogy



Aldous Huxley – Brave New World



Angie Thomas – The Hate U Give

