



GCSE English Language and Literature



English Language

- X2 Papers = 160 Marks (80 Marks per paper) (40 Marks per section)

Paper 1

- This exam will test their analysis of *fiction texts* on unseen piece of writing from either the 20th or 21st century
- They will also be required to produce a **creative** piece of writing either *describing* or narrating
- They will also be tested on spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Paper 2

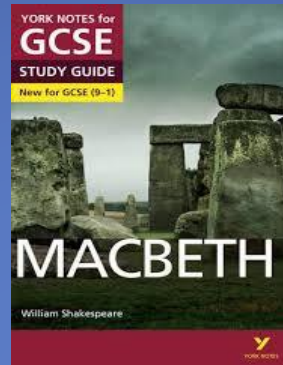
- This exam will test their analysis of *non-fiction* texts with two linked sources from different time periods, one being from the 19th century
- They will also be required to produce a written text to a specified audience in which they give their own *viewpoint*.

- **Grade Boundaries: 9 = 128, 8 = 118, 7=106, 6=97, 5=86 and 4 = 61**

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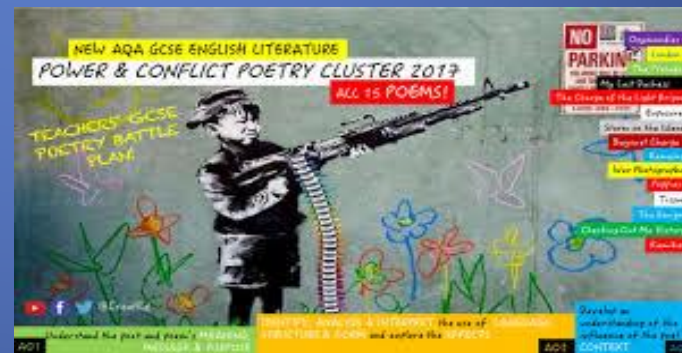
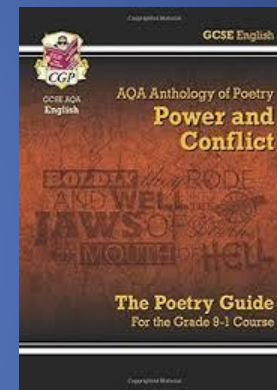
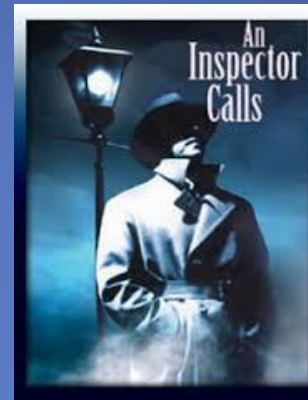
- 50% EXAM 1 Shakespeare and the 19th century novel
- The students will be examined on the Shakespeare text, 'Macbeth' and 'A Christmas Carol' by Dickens. They will be assessed on their ability to understand how the writers create and develop characters from a given extract and relate across the whole text. They will NOT have access to the whole text in the exam, therefore it is imperative that they know both texts in detail.



ENGLISH LITERATURE EXAM PAPER 2



- The students will be examined on 'An Inspector Calls', poetry from the 'Power and Conflict' Anthology and two unseen poems.
- They will be assessed on their ability to identify, analyse and interpret how writers use language and they will also be required to compare across two poems.
- They will not have access to the texts in the exam, therefore essential they study and know the texts in detail.

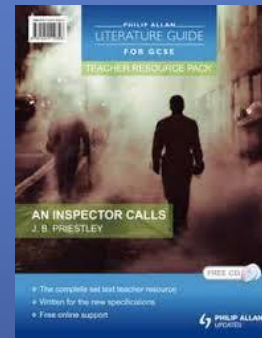
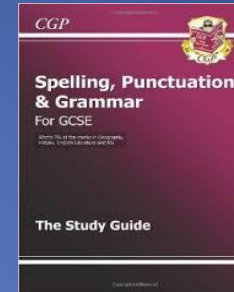




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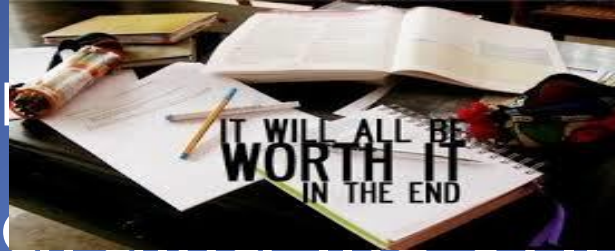
READING!

- Encouraging pupils to read – newspapers, non-fiction, fiction, magazine articles, features.
- Reading is key to success and almost by magic it helps with their own writing, grammar, spelling, vocabulary.
- Encouraging your children to read widely and do their homework to the best of their efforts – always.
- Invest in **good revision books:**
- Look for the AQA specification revision books: York, Heinemann, Letts, Collins or CGP. Look for revision aids that do not mention controlled assessments and refer to the new 2018 syllabus (9 to 1).





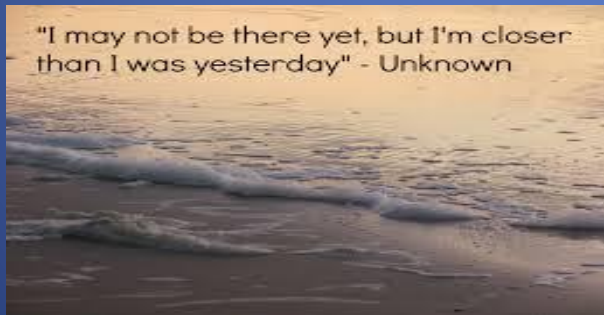
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