Curriculum Map

Subject: English

Year: 8



		The Real World		
	War &	Conflict	A Journey Into History	'Injustice & Inequality'
Term	Autumn 1 & 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1 & 2
Weeks	15	5	7	14
Homework	whilst encouraging reading throug aspirational, high quality and chall the world at large, laying foundation	ss to an online programme called Be h a range of interactive activities wh enging fiction and non-fiction texts. T ons for critical thinking and cultural a nts are able to monitor their child's p	ere vocabulary is deliberately in his builds students' cultural cap wareness. Every student is expe	terwoven into a wide variety of ital, and expands their concept of ected to complete a minimum of
Overview	'Boy 87'	Nature and Adventure	'Romeo & Juliet'	'Of Mice & Men'
	Ele Fountain		William Shakespeare	John Steinbeck
	Boy 87' is a cyclical narrative following the experience of a child fugitive, desperate to escape the repressive, totalitarian change consuming their home country.	Students will be exposed to a range of poems, varying in structure, form, language and challenge in this unit. They will learn to analyse and evaluate poetry with an ability to explore the purpose and impact of the poem, taking them on a different journey as they become familiar with the eclectic art of spoken word.	Gang violence, rivalry and the complexities of romance is uncovered scene-by-scene and act-by-act with attention to Shakespeare's construct of language, structure and form.	Students will read this literary classic to meet an eclectic range o characters who are subjected to individual prejudices of race, gender, disabilities and age. The narrative encapsulates American life during the Great Depression with a heat-warming yet tragically heartbreaking friendship between protagonists George and Lennie.
Keywords	: Context, dictatorship, democracy, recurring motif, juxtaposition, ostracism, segregation, injustice, inequality, hierarchy, discrimination, symbolism.	Rhythm, rhyme, syllables, stanza, simile, metaphor, couplet, imagery, jingoism, patriotism, conscription.	Soliloquy, act, scene, staging, lighting, pathetic fallacy, Globe Theatre, Elizabethan era, patriarchy, iambic pentameter, symbolism, contrast, unrequited love.	Misogyny, destitute, nomadic, symbiotic relationship, derogatory, hierarchy, cyclical structure, ostracism, marginalisation.
Skills	READING: Reading with some confidence and		 Reading mostly with confidence and 	 READING: Summarising content clearly and confidently.

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			understanding of tone, style and register.	
Key questions	Where do we see examples of injustice today? What actions can we take to bring about awareness and fight injustice? What similarities and/or differences do we notice in the injustice that characters face in the novel compared to today? Is war ever a solution for conflict?	What issues do poets raise about the consequences of war? How does the tone of war poetry change over time? What are the wider effects of war on individuals and in society?	What are the consequences of a patriarchal society? How can forgiveness and redemption be a way to resolve conflict? In what way can our emotions influence our actions? What wider message is Shakespeare conveying through this play? How has history influenced our presenter and how can it mould our future?	How are characters made to feel like outsiders? How does marginalisation of individuals still happen in society today? How and why is discrimination still deeply ingrained within our society?
Assessment	 Peer/self assessed mid unit test every 3 weeks. Teacher assessed end of unit test covering knowledge of: plot, characters, key words, retrieval of quotations and exploding a quote. 	 Peer/self assessed mid unit test in week 3. Teacher assessed end of unit test in week 5: approaching an unseen poem. 	 Research Project for a key historical event. Peer assessed end of unit test based on a taught extract. 	 Peer/self assessed mid unit test every 3 weeks. Teacher assessed end of unit test covering knowledge of: plot, characters, key words, retrieval of quotations, exploding a quote and writing an analytical paragraph independently.
Literacy/ Numeracy/ SMSC/ Character	In KS3, we teach a range of literature that develops students' spiritual development through discussion and debate. For example, the study of the texts such as 'Boy 87', 'Romeo & Juliet' encourage the discussion of childhood vs adulthood, the impact of our decisions or the wider society as well as developing the ability to empathise with characters. It enables students to take the opportunity to reflect on some of the topical issues we encounter within these texts and apply our discussions to issues they may be facing in their own lives. Creative writing and the study of poetry gives students the opportunity to reflect on their own beliefs and helps them to establish their own relationship with language. Writing is expressive and allows for a reflective process and the freedom to be creative and experimental.			

	Studying war poetry enables and conducting research projects on key historical events further provides an opportunity for students to appreciate British history and culture and gain an understanding of its development through time.
	We also give students the opportunity to speak in different contexts and regarding a range of different real-life issues, applying learning to careers and life after school. Debate is an important aspect of the subject, giving logical arguments with respect, rationality and thoughtfulness.
Enrichment	- Globe theatre / London productions of Shakespeare's works.
opportunities	- Virtual tour of the Globe theatre.
and futures	- Competitions to mark literary events: World Poetry Day, Roald Dahl Day, World Book Day.
	- Research project on the Elizabethan era.
	- Virtual author interviews during library lessons.
	Futures
	Employability Skills:
	Formality of writing
	Literary analysis
	Time management
	Presentation skills
	Critical thinking
	Cultural capital
	Reading for meaning
	Debate
	Self-management
	Fluent/ Articulate communication skills
	Career prospects:
	Education
	Human Resources
	Public Relations
	Business
	Writer/ Novelist
	Journalist Communications
	Communications
	Librarian
	Newspaper/ Print Journalism
	Acting/ Theatre