

English Literature

Exam board: Edexcel

Entry requirements:

Student requires a minimum of a grade 6 in English Literature.

We would recommend a grade 6 in each of English Literature and English Language.

Course Content and Assessment:

Unit 1 Drama

One Shakespeare play and one other drama.
(2 hours 15 minutes) 30%

Unit 2 Prose

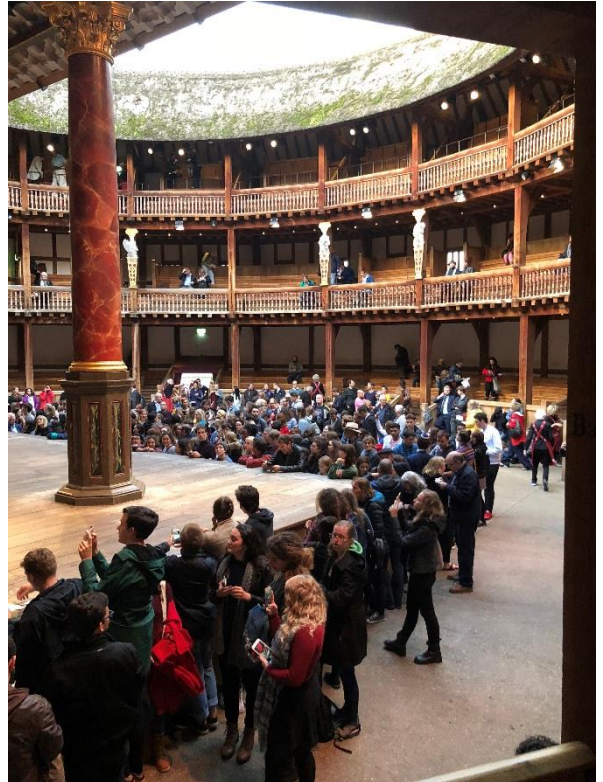
Two prose texts from a chosen theme.
(1 hour) 20%

Unit 3 Poetry

A selection of post-2000 specified poetry and a specified range of poetry from a certain period.
(2 hours 15 minutes) 30%

Unit 4 Coursework

Students have a free choice of two texts to study.
20%



Why choose English Literature:

“First and foremost it is a fun subject. It offers opportunities to see the lives of others through your own eyes. English encourages curiosity about the world and also gives answers to big questions but for me, the best thing is that there is more than one interpretation to everything. It is the study of people; an amalgamation of Psychology, Sociology, History, Geography and R.E.”

Skills and progression:

Why should you commit two years of your life to the study of English Literature?

Perhaps the question that you should ask yourself is how can you choose not to?

English Literature opens your eyes to a plethora of unknown worlds, characters and experiences. Each new text studied creates an opportunity to share ideas with your peers and teachers, and to learn, not only about the texts and contexts, but about yourself. English Lit studies people, their behaviours and their relationships, and through their challenges and misadventures we learn about each other.

English Literature is a rigorous A-Level that requires an unquestionable work ethic and an open mind. But what you are given in return is priceless. This facilitating subject not only comes with a reputation second to none amongst A-Levels, but you will also learn to write with both style and substance, and your analytical skills will flourish.

I hope that you decide to study English Literature with us; it is a decision that I am sure you will not regret.