

A Level English

Stepping-Up to Year 13 Information



Where can I find lesson materials?

Lesson materials are posted on **Sharepoint** and/or **Classcharts** as the course progresses. Success in English is dependent on improving analytical skill and perceptive understanding of writers' techniques. As a result, the most important materials the students possess are their notes and annotated copies of texts studied. Attendance at **every lesson** and careful **organisation of notes** is vital.

What does homework look like?

Initially in the first half of the Autumn term, students have been working on researching and drafting their **coursework assignments**. First drafts should have been completed by half term and the final edited copy should be submitted by **Friday 19th December**. Homework will now take the form of **exam-style questions** together with **reading and research tasks**. The **Guided Learning booklet** contains both background reading tasks and many examples of exam questions. Students will also be asked to prepare for timed practice questions that will be completed in class. Homework is set on **Classcharts**.

What does Guided Learning look like?

You have **Guided Learning booklets** that focus on specific areas of the specification. There are many reading and research tasks in each booklet that will inform the study of set texts. For **Literature** it is important that students read around the set texts to inform their understanding of literary and historical contexts. In the case of **Language & Literature**, context is less important than the learning and application of a range of literary and linguistic terminology. There is a detailed glossary in the booklet which should be used in conjunction with the students own glossary compiled in their exercise books in lessons. It is expected that students will also use their Guided Learning sessions to plan and practice exam answers as the exams approach.