

Curriculum Overview – Year 11 English English Language and English Literature Blended

Unit Title	Learning	How can parents best support?
Half Term 1	Developing a wide range of vocabulary Learning how to use vocabulary for effect	Talk to your children about their learning and support them with their vocabulary home learning tasks. A child
Creative Prose Writing	Learning how to use sentence structure for effect Developing knowledge of a range of linguistic devices and their effects Developing knowledge of a range of literary devices and their effects Developing knowledge of a good narrative structure Learning how to create character Learning how to create setting Learning how to manage time carefully and effectively	will become a better writer if they are exposed to good writing: encourage them to read whole texts independently at home. Try reading a novel at the same time and discussing it with them. Join local libraries together and make regular visits, borrowing a range of books to engage your child in wider reading. Time management is key in this part of the examination; encourage them and support them to complete timed examinations just before tea-time!
Poetry Anthology Revision	Developing knowledge of a range of poems Developing knowledge of a range of poems' social, historical and cultural contexts Learning how to analyse and interpret poetic language Learning how to compare two literary texts Developing memory strategies and learning key quotations Developing a wide range of vocabulary Learning how to approach examination style questions Learning how to manage time effectively Developing study skills and revision strategies	Talk to your children about their learning and support them with their quotation home learning tasks. Your child will be studying a range of poetry in class: war, nature, power, loss, love, relationships, place, change, memories the thematic links are endless. Take a visit to the Imperial War Museum North in Salford to help bring their war learning to life; visit The Lake District and discuss William Wordsworth or take a trip to a National Trust garden or park to enhance their understanding of nature.



Macbeth Revision	Developing further knowledge of William Shakespeare and his work Developing knowledge of Macbeth Developing knowledge of Shakespeare's language Learning how to analyse themes in plays Developing memory strategies and learning key quotations Learning how to approach examination style questions Learning how to manage time effectively Developing a wide range of vocabulary Developing study skills and revision strategies	Talk to your children about their learning and support them with their quotation home learning tasks. Look out for adaptations of Shakespeare's work on the television and in film. Contact local theatres to see if there are any productions of Shakespeare's work on and take a trip to the theatre to see a live performance. Visit The Globe in London or head to Stratford upon Avon to see where it all began for Shakespeare.
Post 19 th Century Fiction Reading	Developing knowledge of a wide range of literary texts and titles Developing knowledge of a range of linguistic devices Developing knowledge of a range of literary devices Learning how language is used to create impressions Learning how to analyse language Learning how to extract explicit information Learning how to extract implicit information Learning how to approach specific examination style questions Learning how to manage time carefully and effectively Developing a wide range of vocabulary	Talk to your children about their learning and support them with their vocabulary home learning tasks. Your child will be reading extracts from a range of modern novels in class; encourage them to read whole texts independently at home too. Try reading a novel at the same time and discussing it with them. Join local libraries together and make regular visits, borrowing a range of books to engage your child in wider reading.



Half Term 3	Developing knowledge of current affairs	Talk to your children about their learning and support
	Developing knowledge of a range of linguistic devices	them with their vocabulary home learning tasks. Spend
Non-Fiction Reading	Developing knowledge of a range of persuasive devices	time together watching the news or current affairs
I	Learning how language is used to influence readers	shows like The One Show, Watchdog, The Andrew Marr
	Learning how to analyse language	show, Newsnight or Panorama. Discuss the issues
	Learning how to extract explicit information	raised with your child and help them to establish
	Learning how to extract implicit information	informed opinions. Read good quality newspapers and,
	Learning how to approach specific examination style	again, discuss the issues raised. Watch Question Time
	questions	and encourage your child to take an active interest in
	Learning how to manage time carefully and effectively	government and politics: locally, nationally and globally.
	Developing a wide range of vocabulary	
An Inspector Calls Revision	Developing knowledge of JB Priestley and his work	Talk to your children about their learning and support
	Developing knowledge of socialism and socialist views	them with their quotation home learning tasks. Take a
	Developing knowledge of capitalism and capitalist views	visit to the Museum of Liverpool Life and focus on the
	Developing knowledge of Edwardian England	exhibits on the Suffragettes and The Titanic. Watch the
	Learning about what it means to be accountable and responsible	film of The Titanic together and ask your child to explain to you how this links to their studies.
	Learning about the importance of stage directions and	
	how they influence an actor's performance	
	Learning how language is used to create characters and	
	convey themes in literature	
	Developing memory strategies and learning key	
	quotations	
	Learning how to approach examination style questions	
	Learning how to manage time effectively	



	Developing study skills and revision strategies Developing a wide range of vocabulary	
Transactional Writing	Developing knowledge of current affairs Developing knowledge of a range of writing styles and purposes Learn about how language is used to inform and influence Learning how to use language to address a range of audiences Learning how to use language to address a range of purposes Developing knowledge of issues that are relevant to young people in today's society Developing a wide range of vocabulary	Talk to your children about their learning and support them with their vocabulary home learning tasks. A child will become a better writer if they are exposed to good writing: read good quality newspapers and, again, discuss the issues raised. Time management is key in this part of the examination; encourage them and support them to complete timed examinations just before tea-time!



Half Term 4	Developing knowledge of A Christmas Carol	Talk to your children about their learning and support
	Learning about Christmas in Victorian England	them with their quotation home learning tasks. Look
A Christmas Carol Revision	Learning about redemption and its meaning	out for adaptations of Dickens' work on the television
	Learning how to interpret language	and in film.
	Learning how writers use language to show a change in	
	characters	
	Developing knowledge of poverty in Victorian England	
	Learning about how writers use language to create	
	atmosphere	
	Developing memory strategies and learning key	
	quotations	
	Learning how to approach examination style questions	
	Learning how to manage time effectively	
	Developing study skills and revision strategies	
	Developing a wide range of vocabulary	
Non-Fiction Reading	Developing knowledge of current affairs	Talk to your children about their learning and support
	Developing knowledge of a range of linguistic devices	them with their vocabulary home learning tasks. Spend
	Developing knowledge of a range of persuasive devices	time together watching the news or current affairs
	Learning how language is used to influence readers	shows like The One Show, Watchdog, The Andrew Marr
	Learning how to analyse language	show, Newsnight or Panorama. Discuss the issues
	Learning how to extract explicit information	raised with your child and help them to establish
	Learning how to extract implicit information	informed opinions. Read good quality newspapers and,
	Learning how to approach specific examination style	again, discuss the issues raised. Watch Question Time
	questions	and encourage your child to take an active interest in
	Learning how to manage time carefully and effectively	government and politics: locally, nationally and globally
	Developing a wide range of vocabulary	



Half Term 5	The learning that takes place in the weeks running up to the GCSE English Language examination will be driven by the needs of the students as they practise the skills that are needed for success with this course.	Talk to your children about their learning and support them with their ongoing revision. Where possible, provide them with a space and the materials that are needed to revise; let us know if you need any sort of support with this.
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