English Literature

Exam Board AQA
Qualification A-level
Entry Requirements Grade 6 in English Literature

Content

Year 12
Literary Genres: Shakespeare and one other drama text
Literary Genres: Prose and Poetry

Year 13
Literary Genres: Aspects of Tragedy or Comedy
Texts and Genres: Elements of Crime Writing or Political and Social Protest
Theory and Independence: Independent coursework responding to ideas from a critical anthology

Assessment

Paper 1: Literary Genres—Aspects of Tragedy or Comedy ***2 hours 30mins, closed book,*** *(40% of A-level).*

Paper 2: Texts and Genres—Elements of Crime Writing or Political and Social Protest ***3 hours, open book,*** *(40% of A-level)*

Coursework: Theory and Independence (*20% of A-level)*

Non-exam assessment: Language investigation and original writing (*20% of A-level)*

Career Prospects

This course develops skills in communicating ideas and making informed judgements. It is suited to disciplines where communication in both speech and writing is paramount. Progression routes include:

- The ability to read carefully, assimilate information quickly and exercise judgement wiselymakes Law a natural course to take.
- The ability to listen, assess, and reach decisions about people are all fostered by the course. Literature is concerned with people and consequently makes the Civil Service a natural option.

Reading, writing, speaking and listening are central to any child's learning. Primary or secondary teaching is a natural and rewarding option.