

PCHS Curriculum Information – Year 10 English Literature

Course Title: GCSE English Literature	Exam Board: AQA	Specification Code: English Literature 8702
How will students be assessed? All assessments are closed book: any stimulus materials required will be provided as part of the assessment. All assessments are compulsory.		
Paper 1: Shakespeare and the 19th-century novel		
What's assessed • Shakespeare plays • The 19th-century novel		
How it's assessed • written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes • 64 marks • 40% of GCSE		
Questions Section A Shakespeare: students will answer one question on their play of choice. They will be required to write in detail about an extract from the play and then to write about the play as a whole. Section B The 19th-century novel: students will answer one question on their novel of choice. They will be required to write in detail about an extract from the novel and then to write about the novel as a whole.		
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Paper 2: Modern texts and poetry		
What's assessed • Modern prose or drama texts • The poetry anthology • Unseen poetry		

How it's assessed

- written exam: 2 hour 15 minutes
- 96 marks
- 60% of GCSE

Questions

Section A Modern texts: students will answer one essay question from a choice of two on their studied modern prose or drama text.

Section B Poetry: students will answer one comparative question on one named poem printed on the paper and one other poem from their chosen anthology cluster.

Section C Unseen poetry: Students will answer one question on one unseen poem and one question comparing this poem with a second unseen poem.

KEY CONTENT

Half Term 1

Poetry – 'Power and Conflict' cluster from the English Literature Poetry Anthology.

A Christmas Carol.

Educake 'Conflict' poetry homework

Half Term 2

A Christmas Carol.

Educake 'A Christmas Carol' homework

Half Term 3

Poetry – 'Power and Conflict' cluster from the English Literature Poetry Anthology.

Macbeth

Educake 'Conflict' poetry homework

Half Term 4

Macbeth

Educake Macbeth Homework

Half Term 5

Macbeth

Revision Lessons for the Y10 Mock (GCSE English Literature: Paper 1 – A Christmas Carol and Macbeth)

A Christmas Carol/Macbeth Homework

Half Term 6

Mock Exam Feedback Lessons