

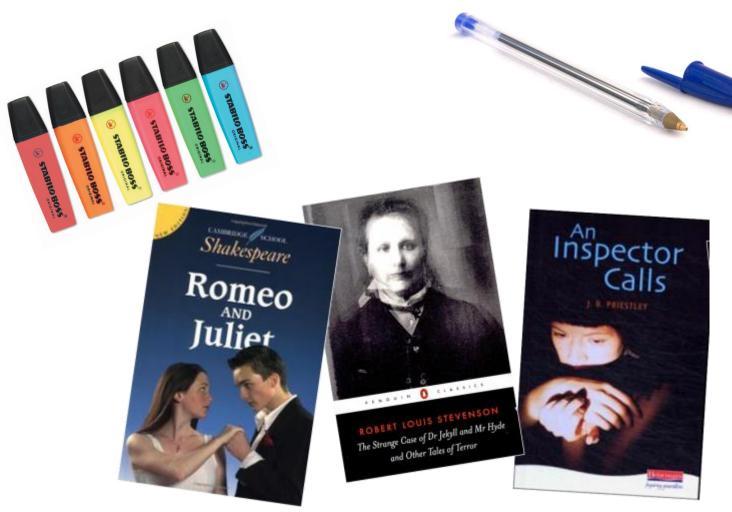
### MATHEMATICS AND ENGLISH

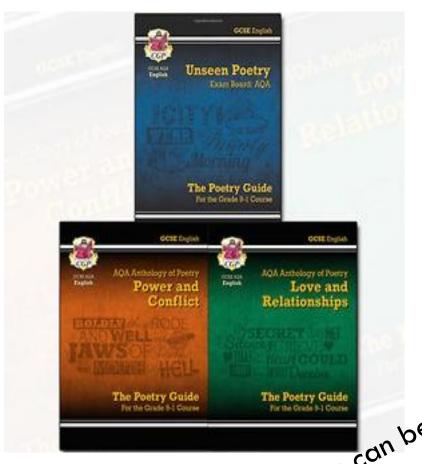
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## THE IMPORTANCE OF MATHS AND ENGLISH IN YEAR 11

- Provides transferable skills
- Confidence when approaching other exams in the summer
- Access to Post 16 Education
- Allows for a full set of 4 A Levels
- Requirement for the vast majority of University Courses
- Employability

# EQUIPMENT NEEDED FOR ENGLISH LESSONS





All class books and revision guides can be purchased in the school shop

# WHAT ARE THE KEY SKILLS FOR STUDENTS IN OUR SUBJECT?

#### Language

- Reading the question
- Reading comprehension
- Writing and grammatical skills
- Ability to analyse and decode different styles of text from different years.
- Extended writing (including the writer's effects)

#### Literature

- Reading the question
- >Analysing language, structure and form
- Considering the author's intent and views
- Showing an understanding of character, theme and plot
- Using and analysing language features with subject terminology
- ➤ Both exams are closed book and so the more they read the text the better
- >Students need to be practising these skills every day, it's the only way to improve.

### **OVERVIEW**

- > 4 English papers 2 Literature and 2 Language
- > Separate qualifications
- Every student is entered for the same tier regardless of ability
- > All students are aiming to achieve the Grade 4.

## LANGUAGE EXAM:

Paper 1-Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing

Paper 2- Paper 2: Writers'
Viewpoints and
Perspectives

#### What's assessed?

**Section A:** Reading- one literature fiction text

**Section B:** Writing- descriptive or narrative writing

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes

80 marks

50 % of GCSE

#### What's assessed?

**Section A:** Reading- one non-fiction text and one literary non-fiction text

**Section B:** Writing - writing to present a viewpoint

Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes

80 marks

50 % of GCSE

# LITERATURE EXAM:

## Paper 1 – Shakespeare and the 19<sup>th</sup>-century novel

- Section A- Shakespeare, one question about Macbeth. Writing in detail about an extract and then the play as a whole.
- Section B- 19<sup>th</sup>-century novel. One question about the novel studied in class. Writing in detail about an extract and then the play as a whole
- Closed book. 1 hour 45 minutes
- >64 marks/ 40% of the GCSE



#### Paper 2- Modern Texts and Poetry

- Section A- Modern text. One essay question on their studied modern prose or drama.
- Section B- Poetry. One comparative question on one named poem and one other poem from their chosen anthology
- Section C- Unseen poetry- one question on one unseen poem and one question comparing this poem with a second unseen poem
- Closed book. 2 hours and 15 minutes
- >96 marks/ 60% of the GCSE



My work is on the computer at school...

It doesn't have to be in for ages, I have lots of time...

My teacher never gives me homework...

We only have to look something up on the computer...

## DO YOU HEAR THESE PHRASES OFTEN?





http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/gcse/english-literature-8702

http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/gcse/english-language-8700



### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Purchasing the text books

to allow your child to

read at home enabling

read at home enabling

them to make revision

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Look online with your

Look online with your

child and ensure they

child and ensure they

complete homework

complete homework

given by their class

teacher

Revision Books- These can be purchased online or in our school shop



Looking through different texts with different eras (19th texts)

Work on your child's use new words together each week

### KEY DATES — PREPARING FOR THE IGCSE

#### Mock exams:

Week beginning 13th November for 2 weeks

Literature Paper 2

Language Paper 1& 2

#### **Real Exams:**

- AQA English Language Paper 1 5/6/18
- ❖AQA English Language Paper 2 8/6/18
- ❖AQA English Literature Paper 1 22/5/18
- AQA English Literature Paper 2 25/5/18

