

English Literature

Llenyddiaeth Saesneg



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Examination Board WJEC

Overview of course content

In English Literature, pupils will learn the skills of close reading and analysis through the teaching of prose, drama and poetry.

These skills will be further developed through the completion of a controlled assessment as outlined in the summary of assessment. We aim to develop in all pupils, the ability to make inferences from a variety of genres of writing and detail a number of interpretations of a text. There is also opportunity to research and appreciate the context in which texts are written and perceived.

Greatest success is achieved through regular practice of self and peer assessment in relation to key assessment objectives and success criteria.

Summary of assessment

All candidates will undergo the same preparation for their final examination where differing abilities will be catered for by two tiers of examination:

**Foundation tier (targeting GCSE grades C – G) and
Higher Tier (targeting GCSE grades A* - D)**



Examination (75%) - 2 papers

Unit 1 (35%) - Analysis of set prose text and unseen poetry comparison (2hrs)

Unit 2 (40%) - Analysis of set prose text and set drama text (2 hrs)



Controlled Assessment (25%)

Unit 3 - Analysis of Shakespeare with poetry comparison (4 hrs/1500 Words)

Learning Pathways – post 16

A successful pass in GCSE Literature will provide excellent foundations for study at Level 3, as you will have acquired and developed close reading and analysis skills, as well as key critical thinking skills. In addition to this, we aim to have instilled in you an enjoyment of a variety of literature from different genres and periods. Most students who are successful in Literature at GCSE are very well suited to the Arts, Languages, Social Sciences and Humanities Level 3 choices.