



# AS/A2 Level Literature in English

Examination in 2017-2018

## Aims

To encourage and develop:

- An appreciation and informed personal response to English Literature in a range of texts from different periods and cultures in the genres of poetry, prose and drama.
- The interdependent skills of reading, analysis and communication.
- To convey an understanding of the ways in which writer's choices of form, structure and language shape meanings
- An ability to appreciate and discuss various critical approaches to literature: biographical, psychoanalytical, philosophical, social/historical and reader response.

## AS Level

Students will study 4 literary works over 1 year followed by two end examinations.

### Paper 3 – Poetry and Prose

*Songs of Ourselves– Renaissance Poetry*

*Stories of Ourselves- Prose*

### Paper 4 – Drama

*A Midsummer Night's Dream – William Shakespeare*

*Absurd Person Singular – Alan Ayckbourn*

## A Level

All students will take Papers 3 and 4 and the following 2 hour papers

### Paper 5 – Shakespeare and other pre 20<sup>th</sup> Century Texts

Othello - William Shakespeare

Selected Poems John Keats

## **Paper 6 – 20<sup>th</sup> Century Writing**

*Death of a Salesman* – Arthur Miller

*Selected poems* – W.B. Yeats

### **Entry Requirements**

Candidates will normally have attained a GCSE or IGCSE in English Language and English Literature at Grade B or above.

### **Achievements**

Candidates who study English Literature at Advanced Level will enrich their knowledge in a wide range of subjects: History, Psychoanalysis, Feminism, Marxism and Philosophy. During the course, students will increase their analytical skills and appreciation of the nuances of meaning in literary texts. Furthermore, students will significantly improve their writing skills.

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