



	Units	Assessment
	In addition, Y9 will have one lesson per fortnight in which they will be introduced to the expectations of the GCSE English Language papers and begin to practise the skills needed for these.	These usually take place towards the end of each unit. Students will be informed about the dates of these assessments. Marks for each assessment focus are recorded on G4S. All assessments are closed book
Autumn	Britain at War 1 Study a diverse anthology of First World War poetry. Discuss how attitudes to war were presented and compare different poets' attitudes and thoughts	Literature – class assessment Analyse and compare the way Wilfred Owen ('Dulce et Decorum est') and Rupert Brooke ('The Soldier') present their attitudes towards war.
	Britain at War 2 Read a novel set in WW2. As well as appreciating the impact of war on individuals, you will consider how the narratives are crafted and learn the different elements needed to write a successful short story.	Writing – hall exam Write one piece of narrative writing.
Spring	Comedy in Context Learn about the origins of many of the comedies popular today. As well as studying the Shakespeare play 'Much Ado About Nothing' in its entirety, you will study a range of extracts from comedies of the Elizabethan era.	Literature – hall exam An 'exploding extract' question based on one of the key scenes you have studied. The question will focus on the relationship between Benedick and Beatrice.
Summer	Prejudice and Discrimination Study either 'Of Mice and Men' (John Steinbeck) or 'To Kill a Mockingbird' (Harper Lee). Consider how and why prejudice and discrimination is evident in your specified text. Become confident in commenting on character, theme and context. In your fortnightly GCSE preparation lessons, you will learn how to construct letters for different audiences and purposes.	At the beginning of the final half term there will be two end of KS3 assessments: Literature – hall exam 1) An 'exploding extract' question on the novel you have studied. Writing – class assessment 2) Write a formal OR informal letter (class assessment)