

Presdales GCSE English Language and Literature

Year 10 Curriculum

Term 1

English Language, Paper two section A, Eduqas

Students will have to study a range of *non-fiction* texts and answer comprehension questions on them. These questions will test a variety of different skills: shorter **retrieval** questions (find 5 things... how old was...); longer **language analysis** questions (How does the writer...); longer **evaluative** questions (to what extent do you agree).

English Language, Paper two section B, Eduqas

Once completed students will revisit their transactional writing skills covering **letter writing** and **magazine articles** and **reviews**. They will write for 30 minutes in producing their examined pieces.

English Literature, Poetry anthology, Paper Two, AQA

Students will study 4 poems from the **Love and Relationships** anthology. These will be both modern poems and poems taken from the literary heritage. In this topic we cover, *The Farmer's Bride* by Mew, *Neutral Tones* by Hardy, *Porphyria's Lover* by Robert Browning and *When we Two Parted* by Byron. They will be assessed by writing a comparative essay of 45 minutes length.

Term 2

English Literature, *An Inspector Calls*, Paper Two, AQA

Students will study **An Inspector Calls** by J.B.Priestley. They will look at themes and characters. The final assessment will be via a 45 minute essay.

English Literature, Poetry anthology, Paper Two, AQA

Students will study 4 poems from the **Love and Relationships** anthology. These will be both modern poems and poems taken from the literary heritage. In this topic we cover, *Sing Song* by Nagra, *Letters from Yorkshire* by Dooley, *Sonnet 29* by Elizabeth Browning, *Winter Swans* by Sheers and *Love's Philosophy* by Shelly. They will be assessed by writing a comparative essay of 45 minutes length.

English Language, Paper two section B, Eduqas

Once completed students will revisit their transactional writing skills covering **speeches** and **reports**. They will write for 30 minutes in producing their examined pieces.

Term 3

English Literature, Poetry anthology, Paper Two, AQA

Students will study 4 poems from the **Love and Relationships** anthology. These will be both modern poems and poems taken from the literary heritage. In this topic we cover, *Eden Rock* by Causey, *Walking Away* by Day-Lewis, *Mother Any Distance* by Armitage, *Climbing My Grandfather* by Waterhouse and *Before You were Mine* by Duffy. They will be assessed by writing a comparative essay of 45 minutes length.

Year Ten Examination

The Year Ten Examination is a summary of all the texts and tasks they have done during the year. The papers are: English Literature, Paper Two, AQA and English Language, Eduqas.

Oral Assessment

Having completed the examination all students will prepare and deliver a three minutes oral assessment. They must speak on a topic of their choosing and then answering questions to a teacher. They will receive a pass/merit/distinction for their performance. This grade will be communicated to parents at the first available reporting opportunity.