

# English Literature - A Level

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## Course Outline:

The A Level course comprises of the study of three units:

Component 01 - Shakespeare—Drama & Poetry pre-1900. 40%  
2 hours 30 minutes.

Component 02 - Close reading in chosen topic area—  
comparative and contextual study from chosen topic area. 40%  
2 hours 30 minutes.

Component 03 - Close reading OR re-creative writing piece with  
commentary. Comparative essay 20% Non Examination  
Assessment.

## Skills/Aptitudes Developed/Required:

The course aims to encourage you to develop interest and enjoyment in the study of novels, plays and poems through reading widely, critically and independently. It will introduce you to the traditions of English Literature. You will develop your responses both in writing and in articulating your views in class discussion.

The Faculty encourages you to enrich your subject knowledge by attending such events as theatre trips, visits to art galleries, films and lectures.

## Additional Considerations:

Generally it is expected that you will have achieved a grade 5, or above, in both English and English Literature GCSE. A student who is hardworking and committed can also be accepted with lower grade 4 as long as the previous year's teacher confirms that the student would benefit from this course.

