

# English Literature

**Awarding body:** AQA

**Course entry requirement:** GCSE grade 5 and preferably a 5 grade in both English Language and English Literature

**Course description:** This course offers clear progression from English Literature GCSE encouraging students to develop their skills further in this subject. It will involve the analysis of texts both studied and unseen, encouraging students to read critically as well as evaluate and analyse the texts covered. In addition, students should expect to independently undertake a lot of wider reading in order to support and further their knowledge of literature.

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**Method of assessment:** Examination and coursework

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**Duration:** 2 year course

**Specification and units of study:**

**Specification no.:** 7712

**Love through the ages**

Paper 1:

Shakespeare, unseen poetry and comparison of 2 texts.

3hr examination

40% of A-Level

**Texts in Shared Contexts**

Paper 2:

Modern Times –  
1 prose, 1 poetry, 1 drama text  
+ unseen text

2hr 30min examination

40% of A-Level

**Texts across Time**

Critical study of 2 texts

Non-exam Assessment

20% of A-Level

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**Opportunities for progression and career prospects:**

University degrees in Literature and English Studies. English Literature will also support a range of careers such as journalism, teaching, law, local government and the civil service as well as other careers where communication is important.