

AS and A2 English Literature

Board and Syllabus: OCR AS = Code 3828 A2 = Code 7828

Objectives and Nature of the Course

From September 2000 our syllabus changed in line with the new direction to AS and A2 levels. In the Lower Sixth, students will study three separate areas, each of which will be assessed by coursework or examination to attain the AS level. Students may then wish to proceed to the Upper Sixth, where they will study a further three components (A2 level). The Lower Sixth Form is marked at a gentler level than the Upper Sixth, which will be challenging.

Course Content

Year	Level	Name of Unit	Mode of Assessment	Duration	Weighting	
					AS	A2
L6	AS	Drama: Shakespeare 1 text	Written exam	1½ hours	30%	15%
L6	AS	Poetry + Prose 2 texts	Written exam	1½ hours	40%	20%
L6	AS	Lit Complementary Study 2 pieces on 1 text	Coursework	-	30%	15%
U6	A2	Poetry + Drama Pre-1900 2 texts	Written exam	2 hours	-	15%
U6	A2 or	Prose Post-1914 or	Coursework or	-	-	15%
U6	A2	Prose Post-1914 1 or 2 pieces on 1 or 2 texts	Written exam	2 hours	-	15%
U6	A2	Comparative and Contextual Study 2 questions on a topic area, eg The Victorian Novel; 20 th Century American Literature.	Written exam	2 hours + 15 minutes	-	20%

General

The Department has four full-time and three part-time members of staff.