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Section A :40 marks	Section A : Shakespeare Macbeth: 34 marks	
Section B : 40 marks	Section B : Shelley- Frankenstein or A Christmas Carol –Dickens- 30 marks	
Paper 2 : 80 marks 1 hour 45 mins	Paper 2: 96 marks 2hr 30 mins	
Section A : 40 marks	Section A: An Inspector Calls - 34 marks	
Section B : 40 marks	Section B : Power and Conflict Poetry comparison -30 marks	
	Section C : Unseen Poetry comparison -32 marks	

This is what we will cover in **year 10** in preparation for the GCSEs. Remember that the work covered in year 9 and in year 10 will not be retaught in Year 11 because we have two GCSEs to cover over 1.5 years.

Year 10 Literature and Language GCSE Preparation

HT	Component Literature and Language GCSEs	End of unit assessment date-week beginning
1	Lit Paper 2: Power and Conflict Poetry- Section B – study 10 out of 14 poems **remaining 4 poems in year 11	Week 8
2	Literature Paper 1: Shakespeare- Macbeth- Section A-study whole play	week 15
3	Literature Paper 1:19 th century novel –Frankenstein or A Christmas Carol-Section B-study whole novel	Week 24
4	Language GCSE: Language Paper 1	Week 30
5	Literature GCSE: Literature Paper 2- An Inspector Calls- modern play-Section A-study whole play	Week 39
6	Language GCSE: Language Paper 2 And Spoken Language GCSE Assessments	Week 41

You will notice that there is a large amount to be covered in preparation for the GCSEs in English Language, English Literature and Spoken Language GCSEs. This means that once we have covered

content and skills in year 9 and 10, we cannot come back to it in Year 11 as we will be focused on mastering exam essay writing skills. Your child must be revising at home on a regular basis towards BOTH the Language and Literature GCSEs.

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Year 11 Literature and Language –curriculum coverage and mocks

The overview of the Year 11 curriculum for 2020-2021

Thus, the curriculum and exam preparation for year 11 is as follows with Mock dates:

HT1	HT2	HT3	HT4	HT5	HT6
Lit GCSE=70 marks <u>Lit Paper 2</u> Section A: Unseen Poetry comparison Q1 24 marks +4 for spag = 28 marks and Q2 Comparison between two unseen poems= 8 marks Section B: Shakespeare: Macbeth 30 marks + 4 for spag =34 marks	Lang GCSE=160 marks Language Paper 1 and Paper 2	Lit GCSE=60 marks <u>Lit Paper 1</u> Paper 1B Frankenstein or A Christmas Carol= 30 marks and Paper 1C An Inspector Calls – 30 marks	Lang GCSE=160 marks Language Paper 1 and Paper 2	Lang GCSE=160 marks Language Paper 1 and Paper 2	
Lit P2 Mock on Unseen Poetry and Macbeth	Lang P1 and Paper 2 Mock	Lit P1 Mock On An Inspector Calls and Frankenstein or A Christmas Carol	Lang P1 and P2 Mock	Lang Paper 1 and 2 Mock	
Week beginning 21/10/2020	Week beginning 9/12/2020	Week beginning 10/2/2021	Week beginning 22/3/2021	Week beginning 19/4/2021	

You will notice that there is a large amount to be covered in preparation for the GCSEs in English Language, English Literature and Spoken Language GCSEs. This means that once we have covered content, skills and exam essay practice for the Literature GCSE, we cannot come back to it again close to the summer exams. Your child must be revising at home on a regular basis towards BOTH the Language and Literature GCSEs. In addition, your child MUST be revising from his/her year 9 and year 10 exercise books where some parts of the Literature GCSE was covered.

Please note that in HT1 and HT2 your child MUST prepare, plan and present his Spoken Language GCSE presentation as part of his GCSE Spoken Language exam assessment. The deadline for grades to be submitted to the exam board is before Christmas 2020. Your child's teacher will give your child the dates and times that he/she will be delivering their presentations to the rest of the class.

In addition, you will notice that as part of the risk assessment, students are taking their exercise books home every day. Please support your child in ensuring that he/she does not forget his exercise books and resources for their English lessons but more importantly that they do not lose their books.

In addition, it must be noted that ongoing teacher assessments are now more important than ever which implies that your child must produce his/her best quality work in every lesson as this will inform the basis of the teacher assessments for GCSE in the absence of any formal examinations.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school to speak to your child's teacher.