

English Literature

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Key Information

This year, there has been a change to the exam - the compulsory elements of the exam are now Shakespeare. We are studying Macbeth and unseen poetry. Both of these elements are on Paper 2 which lasts 1 hours 45 minutes and both have 4 SPaG marks allocated to them. Paper 1 now contains the compulsory elements - we have chosen to focus on the 19th century novel (The Strange Case of Jekyll and Mr Hyde or A Christmas Carol) and the modern text (An Inspector Calls). Both of these elements have 50 minutes allocated to them and are worth 30 marks. Within the questions on 'Macbeth' and 'The Strange Case of Jekyll and Hyde', you will be given an extract and will have to explore how the idea/character is presented in BOTH the extract and the text as a whole. The question on 'An Inspector Calls', you will be given a choice of 2 questions but you are not given an extract of a copy of the text.

Useful Information:

Exam board: AQA

Revision Texts:

Collins SNAP

RevisionMacbeth

Collins SNAP also produce revision guides for 'An Inspector Calls', and 'Jekyll and Hyde'. All of these can be purchased online.

Websites:

GCSE POD (link on school website)

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

www.sparknotes.com

www.shmoop.com

www.aqa.org.uk

Top Tips

- Practice past papers
- Recap key terminology
- Use the PiXL app
- Visit our suggested websites
- Take regular breaks

Assessment:

All aspects of the course are assessed within two closed book examinations as there is no controlled assessment within the new examination framework. Students must learn Macbeth, Jekyll and Hyde, and An Inspector Calls. No texts will be provided in the examination, so students are expected to have a detailed understanding of each of these texts.