



English

Year: 9

Words are magic. Words are our most inexhaustible source of magic. Capable of both inflicting injury, and remedying it."

Albus Dumbledore

Course content

Students in Year 9 study a wealth of literature. The focus is on preparing students for the demands on Year 10 and 11. Students will study 'DNA' by Dennis Kelly, an anthology of poems collected from the literary heritage of English poetry and extracts from the key GCSE texts: 'Macbeth', 'Jekyll and Hyde' and 'An Inspector Calls'. They will also have the opportunity to engage in creative and transactional writing.

Skills developed

- Knowledge and understanding of context and how contextual information shapes our reading of a text.
- GCSE Language Paper exam skills: identifying the effect of language, identifying and explaining language techniques, identifying and explaining structural techniques.
- Inference and deduction skills.
- Essay writing skills.

Topics covered

- Jacobean society
- Victorian society and the conventions of Gothic literature
- Post and pre-war attitudes to class
- Romantic poetry
- Post-modern influence on literature

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