

## GCSE English Literature: Exam Overview

<b>Paper 1: Shakespeare and the Nineteenth Century Novel (1hr 45)</b>		<b>Paper 2: Modern Texts and Poetry (2hr 15)</b>	
<b>Section A: Shakespeare (Much Ado About Nothing)</b>	<b>50 mins</b>	<b>Section A: Modern Text (An Inspector Calls/DNA)</b>	<b>45 mins</b>
<p>You will be given an extract from the text and will have to answer a two-part question that starts with the extract but links to the novel as a whole.</p> <p>An essay style response is expected. You should be writing at least two sides.</p> <p><i>This is a closed text exam- you will not have a copy of the play with you.</i></p> <p><i>30 marks for your analysis</i></p> <p><i>4 marks for SPaG</i></p>	34 marks	<p>You will be given two questions, select one to answer. The questions will be focused on themes or characters.</p> <p>An essay style response is expected. You should be writing at least two sides.</p> <p><i>This is a closed text exam- you will not have a copy of the play with you.</i></p> <p><i>30 marks for your analysis</i></p> <p><i>4 marks for SPaG</i></p>	34 marks
		<b>Section B: Anthology Poems (Power and Conflict)</b>	<b>45 mins</b>
<p>You will be given an extract from the text and will have to answer a two-part question that starts with the extract but links to the novel as a whole.</p> <p>An essay style response is expected. You should be writing at least two sides.</p> <p><i>This is a closed text exam- you will not have a copy of the novel with you.</i></p>	30 marks	<p>You will have to compare a named poem from the cluster (printed in your exam paper) with another poem from the cluster, based on a given theme or idea.</p> <p>An essay style response is expected. You should be writing at least two sides.</p> <p><i>This is a closed text exam- you will not have a copy of the anthology with you</i></p>	30 marks
		<b>Section C: Unseen Poetry</b>	<b>45 mins</b>
		<p>There will be two questions in this section, you must answer both.</p> <p><b>Question 1-</b> Analyse an unseen poem</p> <p><i>You should be writing about a side and a half for this question</i></p> <p><b>Question 2-</b> Compare the first unseen poem to a second unseen poem.</p> <p><i>You should write two or more PEE paragraphs for this section</i></p>	24 marks
			8 marks

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