

# Grade 9 – English Literature

**Time: 6 x 35 minutes per week**

**Course Description:**

*The educational purposes of literature for the IGCSE examination are to encourage and develop students' ability to enjoy the experience of reading literature, understand and respond to literary texts in different forms and from different periods and cultures, communicate an informed personal response appropriately and effectively, appreciate different ways in which writers achieve their effects, experience literature's contribution to aesthetic, imaginative and intellectual growth and explore the contribution of literature to an understanding of areas of human concern.*

**Resources:**

**Dickens, Charles. *Hard Times*. Penguin.**  
**Clarke, Gillian. *Collected Poems*. Carcanet.**  
**Miller, Arthur. *A View from the Bridge*. Penguin Classics.**

**Main Topics Covered:**

**Semester 1**

- *Hard Times* (reading aloud, discussions, analytic responses – oral and written) of the novella
- Responding to passage-based and standard essay (failsafe methods)

**Semester 2**

- Introduction to poetry (writing)
- Introduction to the poetry of Gillian Clarke
- Writing about poetry in response to a prompt (failsafe methods)
- Introduction to the approaches to the analysis of narrative
- Introduction to drama
- Introduction to *A View from the Bridge* (reading aloud, discussions, empathic and analytical responses – oral and written)

## Assessment

Internal Assessment	Weighting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of Semester Examinations ( SA1 + SA2 )</li> <li>• Continual Assessment ( CA1 + CA2 + CA3 + CA4 ):                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Oral assessments</li> <li>- Written assessments</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>25 + 45</p> <p>10 + 5 + 10 + 5</p>
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