Year 9 Curriculum Map English

You have 8 lessons of English per fortnight. Depending on your teacher, you may study the following topics in any order, and you may not study all of them, but you will study *Romeo and Juliet*, **Prose** and **Poetry** at some point in the year. To help prepare you for your end of year exam in June, you will learn about **Literacy in Creative Reading Approaches**. Our aim is that you will complete a minimum of **6 assessments** (3 reading and 3 writing) throughout the year.

Year 9 Focus	Assessments
20 th Century drama: Blood Brothers	Reading: an extract based essay question
 We are learning how to interpret and analyse a modern play, using our knowledge and understanding of Britain in the 1960s and 70s 	
 We are learning how to respond to an extract based essay question and developing our ability to write a literary essay 	
20 th Century Fiction Novel Study : Nought and Crosses, Of Mice and Men or Stone Cold	Reading: an extract based essay question Writing: potential for an additional creative writing assessment
 We are developing our ability to analyse and interpret a modern novel in its social and historical context 	
 We are learning how to respond to an extract based essay question and developing our ability to write a literary essay 	
Shakespeare: Romeo and Juliet	Reading: an extract based essay question
 We are extending our ability to analyse and interpret Shakespeare's language, stagecraft and dramatic genres We are extending our understanding of Shakespeare's social and historical context We are learning how to respond to an extract based essay question and developing our ability to write a literary essay 	

21st century non-fiction: Healthy Body, Healthy Mind	Writing: a newspaper article, written in timed conditions
 We are developing our ability to write a persuasive, informative article, using models to help with structure and form We are developing our ability to write non-fiction texts in timed conditions 	
 19th Century Gothic fiction: Dracula and The Tell Tale Heart extracts We are developing our ability to analyse and interpret a pretwentieth century fiction in its social and historical context We are learning how to compare and contrast fiction extracts We are learning how to structure effective responses to a range of question types, some involving comparison We are using elements of the Gothic genre to create our own Gothic fiction 	Reading: questions analysing language and structure in specific extracts Writing: creative writing in the genre of Gothic
Poetry: Poetry from Different Cultures and Traditions or Unseen Poetry - We are developing our ability to analyse and interpret modern poems from different cultures, in their social and cultural contexts - We are learning how to compare and contrast poems - We are learning how to write an effective comparative essay in timed conditions	Reading: a timed comparative essay
Literacy in Creative Reading Approaches: creative reading and writing skills as an introduction to GCSE - We are learning how to interpret and analyse unseen, modern fiction extracts - We are developing our ability to structure answers to a range fo different question types - We are developing our ability to write fiction in timed conditions	Writing: a timed exam response (end of year mock exam)