

# ENGLISH LITERATURE

A bitesize overview of the curriculum.

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## YEAR 1

- Study of a range of poetry texts from 1500-present day.
- Study of a 19th or 20th century novel such as *Handful of Dust* or *Atonement*.
- Study of first Shakespeare play in depth. This is usually a comedy such as *Much Ado about Nothing* or *Measure for Measure*.
- Study of a modern drama text. For example, *Long Day's Journey into Night* or *A Streetcar Named Desire*.
- An introduction to Literary Criticism.

## YEAR 2

- An introduction to Critical Perspectives.
- An introduction to Middle English.
- The study of a Post or Pre 1900 Prose text for Paper 4, e.g. *Wide Sargasso Sea*.
- The study of a Post or Pre 1900 Poetry text for Paper 4, e.g. Chaucer's *The Merchant's Tale*.
- The study of a major Shakespearean Tragedy e.g. *Hamlet*.

## **WHAT SUBJECTS COULD I STUDY AT UNIVERSITY?**

- English Literature
- Language and Linguistics
- Liberal or Combined Arts
- Law

## **WHAT CAREERS COULD THIS LEAD TO?**

- Journalism
- Publishing
- PR and Marketing

## **ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

- Senior Debating
- Senior Literary Society
- Theatre Trips
- Creative Writing Competitions
- Lectures, Talks and Workshops