

In this term you will begin to prepare for your GCSE exams. You will start off by looking at poetry written in World War One, which will help you to analyse the texts you need to read for your reading exam. In the second half term, you will analyse the Charles Dickens classic 'A Christmas Carol', by exploring key themes and issues as well as developing your own perceptive responses to the text. Not only will this form part of your required coursework, but it will also provide invaluable experience in breaking down and analysing a text.

Some homework tasks may be differentiated by the class teacher to allow for ability of individual classes and students. Therefore, homework may slightly differ in comparison to the website or there may be additional homework set.

Year 9 – Term One – Weeks 9 – 15

WEEK 9 (w/c 2 Nov)	Research facts on Charles Dickens.
WEEK 10 (w/c 9 Nov)	Activity booklet task - this task will vary depending on activity set by teacher.
WEEK 11 (w/c 16 Nov)	Character profile on Scrooge (or other character) and analysis.
WEEK 12 (w/c 23 Nov)	Comparison on poverty and affluence.
WEEK 13 (w/c 30 Nov)	Activity booklet task - this task will vary depending on activity set by teacher.
WEEK 14 (w/c 7 Dec)	'A Christmas Carol' quiz. Film Review. Essay title: In Stave IV, Scrooge is forced to witness the aftermath of his death and he is also shown his own grave stone. Why is Scrooge shown these things and how does he try to prevent his fate? (1000-1200 words)
WEEK 15 (w/c 14 Dec)	Essay title: In Stave IV, Scrooge is forced to witness the aftermath of his death and he is also shown his own grave stone. Why is Scrooge shown these things and how does he try to prevent his fate? (1000-1200 words)