



Yr12 English Literature – Paper 1 Half Term Revision (Othello)

Complete at least 2 of these tasks over the break to support your revision. In addition, you must ensure you have read 'Othello' to be much more familiar with it when we return. Remember this is a closed book examination so you have to know how and where to make connections with the extract you are provided with on the paper.

Task 1:

Revise the cultural context to the play: Elizabethan ideology (Chain of Being etc), view on Nature, contemporary religious perspectives and issues of race. (AO3/4)

Task 2:

Revise the historical context to the play – the Venetian empire, the Turkish threat, the representation of Moors and Moslems. (AO3/4)

Task 3:

Mind-map how Othello is a traditional tragic hero – where are his moments of hubris and hamartia and how does this link to what happens in the play? (AO2)

Task 4:

Create revision cards or similar on the themes of: Jealousy, division, deception, betrayal, excess and chaos.(AO2/5)

Task 5:

Mind-map the role of the 3 women in the play and the significance they have on the narrative.

(AO2/3)

Task 6:

Create a revision tool on the opposition of Husband Versus Soldier – where and when can this be seen in the play and why is this significant?

(AO1/2/3/4)