

# Course Description

## English Literature

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#### AQA English Literature (Specification A)

This course takes a historicist approach to the study of literature, examining how texts are a product of shared contexts. We will encourage students to explore the relationships that exist between texts and the contexts in which they were written, received and understood. We will study a range of texts from across different time periods and genres.

#### A-Level

##### Module 1: Love through the Ages

This topic will explore different aspects of love through the ages from romantic love, loss, longing, social conventions and taboos, jealousy and guilt through to changing attitudes towards marriage and fidelity. We will study poetry, prose and drama within this unit.

##### Module 2: Texts in Shared Contexts; Modern Times

The aim of this topic area is to encourage students to explore aspects of literature connected through a period of time. Students will study literature from the end of WW2 and explore both modern and contemporary literature's engagement with some of the social, political, personal and literary issues which have helped to shape the latter half of the 20th century and the early decades of the 21st century.

##### Module 3: Independent Critical Study: Texts across Time

In Texts across Time, students write a comparative critical study of **two** texts.

### Entry Criteria

GCSE Grade 6 or above in English Literature.