

COWLEY

SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

A-LEVEL

ENGLISH LITERATURE

Teaching staff

Mr Betts
Mr Dunford

Overview

If you're passionate about reading, then English Literature is the qualification for you. Our course challenges students to explore a range of views and emotions while considering important issues such as gender, race, relationships, culture and justice. There will be theatre trips, film screenings and many chances to present and debate your views.

In your first year, you will study some wonderful writers and texts: poets like Heaney and Sheers, plays such as 'Streetcar', 'The Tempest' and 'The Duchess of Malfi', plus you will take a skewed look at the world through the dystopian novels, 'The Road' and 'The Handmaid's Tale' leading to a coursework project which is 20% of your final grade.

The poet John Keats will be introduced in your second year, you will hand in your coursework and we will focus on being successful in the examination tasks. Our dedicated and outstanding team have the expertise to prepare students to achieve the very best grades.

A number of theatre and cinema trips are organised every year and we are planning to take a Year 12 group to the Hay Literary Festival in 2020. There are also opportunities to participate in debating competitions.

Lessons

Lessons consist of round-table discussions, analysis and essay work. There are lots of opportunities to explore meanings and debate ideas.

Support

Our teachers are passionate about literature, can always recommend a good book and go the extra mile for our students by mentoring and offering extra revision classes. A range of notes and resources will be supplied and you can email your teachers if you have questions or need further support.

Equipment that you will need

Basic stationery: pens, pencils, a notepad and highlighters.



There is quite a bit of group discussion as part of this course and this has helped with my confidence.

I am really enjoying Sixth Form, particularly the small class sizes."

Gemma McDonald

Currently studying:
A-Level English Literature
A-Level Biology
BTEC Musical Theatre



Progression

Studying English will get you places: English Literature is seen as a facilitating subject helping with applications to Russell Group universities and supports a wide range of careers, including law, business, the media and creative industries.