



HIGHER ENGLISH

Course Summary & Curriculum Plan for
Higher English



Higher English Overview

Course Work:

2 folio pieces to be submitted to the English Dept

1 piece is a reflective piece of writing or a short story.

1 piece is a persuasive piece of writing.

Both folio pieces are worth 15 marks each.

Final submission date end of Feb/ start of March

In the final exam

Paper One: RUAE (reading for understanding, analysis and evaluation). This paper is worth 30 marks and pupils get an hour and 30 mins to complete this.

Paper Two: Critical reading. In this bit of the exam students need to do two different tasks. The first one is answering questions on their Scottish set text. For our students, we have chosen to teach them 6 Carol Anne Duffy poems. The second half of the critical reading paper involves writing a critical essay about a chosen text. For our students this text is *The Great Gatsby*. This paper is worth 40 marks (20 marks per section) and students have an hour and a half in which to complete tasks.

Ideally students should spend 45 minutes each on each section of the Scottish set text. However, in the exam, they will not receive any time prompt to move on from one bit to another. As an attainment mentor, particularly near to the prelim and exam, discussing the time management of the exam would be a big help.

Main ways you can help:

- Be aware of our folio deadlines and support pupils in getting pieces in
- Go over the structure of the exam with the pupils
- Go over time management of the exam

Higher Year Plan

	June/July	Aug/Oct	Oct/Dec	Jan/Feb	Feb/March	April/May
Higher	- "Valentine"?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - End Aug RUAE Assessment - Mid-Sept. "Valentine" - End Sept. "War Phot." 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Start Critical Essay Text (The Great Gatsby/The Crucible) - Pre-Hol. RUAE Assessment - Mid-Dec Critical Essay. - Begin. Nov. ST 3 - Begin. Nov. Discursive Draft complete - Begin Dec. Expressive Draft complete - End Dec. ST 4 - 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - End Jan. - Prelim - Mid-Feb. All Portfolio 2nd Drafts - Interim Folio Mark - End Feb. 2nd Prelim - End Feb. ST 5 	- Mid-March ST 6	- Beg. April Exam Prac.

Example Higher Assessment Schedule - Sample

Date	Assessment
22 nd August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RUAE Assessment 1 Complete
22 nd August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk Complete
13 th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scottish Text Poem 1 Complete
26 th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scottish Text Poem 2 Complete
26 th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher Literacy Listening Assessment Complete
11 th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RUAE Assessment 2 Complete
31 st October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Persuasive 1st Draft Complete
8 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scottish Text Poem 3 Complete
29 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflective 1st Draft Complete
6 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher Literacy Reading Assessment
20 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scottish Text Poem 4 Complete
20 th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literacy: Reading Complete
10 th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation and Production Complete
20 th Jan - 5 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prelims
7 th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Folio 2nd Drafts Complete
28 th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher Exam Practice
13 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher Department Folio Deadline
13 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scottish Text Poem 6 Complete

