

<u>Timeline</u>	<u>Topic</u>	Key concepts and knowledge	Skills development	<u>Rationale</u>
Half Term 1 7 weeks	'Diversity and Various Cultures' Fiction Reading	<ul> <li>To read with insight and engagement understanding writers' background, methods and techniques.</li> <li>A knowledge and appreciation of how peoples' experiences of life are reflected in their writing.</li> <li>How writers use language to influence the reader's opinion</li> <li>How writing changes and adapts to audience and purpose</li> <li>How language changes to reflect the time period it was written</li> <li>How to analyse effectively writers' methods</li> <li>Accelerated Reader Star Reading and quizzing</li> <li>#FlashbackFriday – Range of SPAG activities - see faculty schedule</li> <li>Compulsory Reading:         <ul> <li>Of Mice and Men</li> <li>The Hate You Give</li> <li>The Book Thief</li> <li>Love Simon</li> <li>My Polish Teacher's Tie</li> </ul> </li> <li>Staff will also be able to choose 2 from the following:         <ul> <li>The Saturday Big Tent Party</li> <li>Murder Mystery</li> <li>The Chocolate War</li> <li>Tales from a Troubled Land</li> <li>I know why the caged bird sings</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Pupil Skills List  1. I can state my opinion clearly at the start of my answer  2. I can use a range of words to describe my thoughts and feelings  3. I can use a range of synonyms for the words 'think' and 'feel'  4. I can embed a range of short quotations  5. I can identify how a writer makes me think/feel  6. I can track the text and sum up my overall feelings from the whole story  Medium Term Plan  • Reading and inference skills • Critical analysis of writers' methods • Extended independent writing • Literacy • Proof reading • Exam skills • Self-Evaluation	Building on from the study of fiction in years 7 and 8.  A focus on a range of cultures, beliefs and contexts to widen their breadth of understanding.  To build on their experience of other peoples' viewpoints and perspectives.  Formal Assessment: Evaluation Question Based on a statement given to students, they have to write an answer stating whether they agree or disagree.

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Half term 2 7 weeks	Fiction Writing  Shakespeare	<ul> <li>Welcome to Nowhere</li> <li>The Lemon Orchard</li> <li>The Gul</li> <li>The Flower</li> <li>The Difficult Path</li> <li>Refugee Boy</li> <li>Crongton Nights</li> <li>To read, understand and analyse how other writers use structure, language and content to create original and interesting narratives.</li> <li>To construct an engaging narrative with interesting characters.</li> <li>To construct a cohesive plot.</li> <li>To be able to think creatively and with imagination then use and adapt language to write creatively</li> <li>To be able to respond to different titles.</li> <li>To be able to independently write for an extended amount of time.</li> <li>To be able to proof read and check their work against the skills criteria</li> <li>To be able to self-evaluate during the drafting process against the skills criteria</li> <li>#FlashbackFriday - Range of SPAG activities - see faculty schedule</li> <li>Compulsory reading: Of Mice and Men</li> <li>Cornelius the Cat Exemplar</li> </ul>	Pupil Skills List  1. I can plan an original and interesting narrative.  2. My plot has a clear start which hooks the reader.  3. My characters are believable and I show how they feel/think.  4. I use a range of punctuation including speech marks, mostly accurately.  5. My vocabulary is ambitious.  6. I can use language devices to create description.  Medium Term Plan  • Using and applying language skills • Adapting language to suit a range of audiences • Literacy • Extended independent writing • Proof reading • Exam Skills • Creativity • Imagination • Reading and inference skills • Critical analysis of writers' methods • Self-Evaluation	Pupils will build on from their fiction study unit and will apply the skills taught previously to create their own piece of fiction writing.  Formal Assessment: Narrative Writing Task based on a title stimulus.  As the second of the Shakespeare
3 6 weeks	'Tragic Heroes'	<ul> <li>To study the context, methods, characters and stylistic features of a Shakespeare play</li> <li>To understand the construct of a tragic hero and the notion of tragedy and what makes a tragic character/text</li> </ul>	I can define the word 'tragedy' and use the term in my writing     I can explain who the tragic hero is in the play	texts studied at KS3, pupils will build on their previous knowledge of Shakespearean theatre, theatre conventions and drama as a genre.



		<ul> <li>Key scene annotation</li> <li>PEA responses to questions about characters/themes</li> <li>Spoken language activities including performance and presentation</li> <li>How writers use language for effect</li> <li>How language changes to reflect the time period it was written</li> <li>How to analyse effectively writers' methods</li> <li>Contextual factors influencing Shakespeare's writing</li> <li>#FlashbackFriday – Range of SPAG activities - see faculty schedule</li> <li>Compulsory reading:         <ul> <li>Heroes</li> <li>Romeo and Juliet, OR</li> <li>Hamlet, OR</li> <li>Othello</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>3. I can include some facts about time in which Shakespeare was writing</li> <li>4. I begin my answer with the word 'Shakespeare *creates' (or a synonym of)</li> <li>5. I have used ambitious adjectives to describe the character</li> <li>6. I can write about the text as a play with an audience</li> <li>Medium Term Plan <ul> <li>Reading and inference skills</li> <li>Knowledge of context</li> <li>Critical analysis of writers' methods</li> <li>Extended independent writing</li> <li>Literacy</li> <li>Proof reading</li> <li>Self-Evaluation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	The focus of this unit will be the nature of tragedy and the tragic character. Pupils will explore this through texts such as Romeo and Juliet, Hamlet etc. This study of tragedy and tragic heroes within Shakespearean texts also acts as a foundation study for the KS4 GCSE set text, Macbeth.  Formal assessment: Crafting an opening overview paragraph
Half term 4 6 weeks	'Heroes in Society' Non Fiction Reading	<ul> <li>To read with insight and engagement, understanding writers' methods and techniques</li> <li>Discussions about hook, building a narrative and perspectives.</li> <li>How writers use language for effect</li> <li>How writing changes and adapts to audience and purpose</li> <li>How language changes to reflect the time period it was written</li> <li>How to analyse effectively writers' methods</li> <li>#FlashbackFriday – Range of SPAG activities - see faculty schedule</li> <li>Compulsory reading:         <ul> <li>Heroes</li> <li>Child Labour Paper</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Pupil Skills List  1. comment on the context of both texts and apply this to the content  2. select quotations which match to show similarities/differences between the 2 texts  3. track the text and use a range of adjectives to describe the viewpoint  4. analyse how writers use language and structural features  5. demonstrate an understanding of writers' viewpoints and opinions  Medium Term Plan  • Reading and inference skills  • Understanding bias and viewpoint  • Extended independent writing  • Literacy  • Proof reading	Non-fiction is often one of the more challenging aspects of the English Language curriculum.  We therefore want pupils to be confident when analysing nonfiction and to be able to apply the skills demonstrated by the range of writers studied in their own nonfiction and formal writing.  Formal Assessment Tasks: Comparison of 2 texts: Nurses



Half Term 5 6 weeks	Non Fiction Writing	<ul> <li>Nurses Paper</li> <li>Using the previous unit's work as a foundation, pupils will now demonstrate the ability to use a range of language devices in a formal style</li> <li>Pupils will learn how to apply the persuasive and rhetorical devices</li> <li>Pupils will learn how to write, structure and present a viewpoint in a non-fiction format</li> <li>#FlashbackFriday – speaking and listening skills</li> <li>Compulsory Reading:</li> <li>Pupils' Accelerated Reader ERIC Books</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Exam skills</li> <li>Employability skills – the ability to decipher language and use and adapt language style to suit a range of formal settings</li> <li>Pupil Skills List         <ol> <li>I effectively plan my ideas</li> <li>I have used a range of sophisticated linguistic devices and emotive language</li> <li>I have linked my ideas with paragraphs with a cohesive paragraph structure</li> <li>I have considered the impact of my sentence structure and variety</li> <li>My voice and viewpoint is clear and sustained</li> </ol> </li> <li>Medium Term Plan         <ol> <li>Adapting language to suit a range of audiences</li> <li>Literacy</li> <li>Extended independent writing</li> <li>Proof reading</li> <li>Research skills</li> <li>Exam Skills</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	Pupils will be assessed on the quality of their written communication. They will produce formal piece(s) of transactional writing for a specific purpose and audience.  Due to nature of the topics studied, there scope for pupils to explore marginalised societies including the LGQTB+ community  Formal Assessments Transactional Writing Task to be completed as Year 9 Examination
Half Term 6 7 Weeks	'Careers' Non Fiction Writing and Spoken Language	<ul> <li>To use and adapt language to write formally for a specific audience</li> <li>Using the previous unit's work as a foundation, pupils will now demonstrate the ability to use a range of language devices in a formal style</li> <li>Pupils will learn how to apply the persuasive and rhetorical devices</li> <li>Pupils will learn how to write, structure and present a verbal viewpoint in the format of a speech or formal interview</li> </ul> #FlashbackFriday – speaking and listening skills	1. I am audible and I use standard English 2. I can express ideas/feelings/information to the audience 3. I can organise my thoughts to provide structure to my speech 4. My audience are interested in my speech and can understand what I am talking about. 5. I can listen to questions and respond to them with an open ended response.  Medium Term Plan	Pupils will be assessed on the quality of their written communication. They will produce formal piece(s) of transactional writing for a specific purpose and audience. In addition, pupils will undertake their GCSE Spoken Language unit. This will be in the format of an individual speech or presentation OR a formal interview. This unit very much links with employability skills and the speaking and listening task will link in with Carr Hill's PSHE curriculum.

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Compulsory Reading: Pupils' Accelerated Reader ERIC Books	<ul> <li>Using and applying language skills</li> <li>Adapting language to suit a range of audiences</li> <li>Literacy</li> <li>Extended independent writing</li> <li>Proof reading</li> <li>Research skills</li> <li>Exam Skills</li> </ul> Formal Assessments GCSE Spoken Language Endorsement