



# Year 8 English

## Novel

Students study 'Great Expectations'/'Woman in Black and develop understanding of characters, use of setting, structure and symbolism. Poetry will be looked at the end of the unit.

## Assessment

Writing assessment based on AQA Paper 2 question 5. Skills from weekly writing tasks will be used.

## Writing tasks Spring 1

Once a week will focus on dystopian fiction .Each task runs over two weeks to allow time for re-drafting and a focus on vocabulary

## Travel writing

A range of extracts will be looked at inc. Robinson Crusoe, Gulliver's Travels etc. Focus on viewpoints, register, tone and comparison of texts

## Drama

Romeo & Juliet-building understanding of Shakespearian language and characterisation following final year assessment  
Frankenstein-focus morality



## Writing tasks- throughout the year

Once a week students write fiction and non fiction pieces using the 250 word challenge model. Each task runs over two weeks to allow time for re-drafting and a focus on vocabulary

## Short stories

The focus will develop how stories are structured.

## Assessment

Writing assessment based on AQA Paper 1 question 5. Skills from both the short story unit and weekly writing tasks to be assessed.

## Assessment

The summer exam will be based on AQA paper 2 Q3 & 4 and Q5.

## Speaking & Listening

Skills in presenting will be built on. Talks on persuasive/argument (focus P2 Q5)