



Why take  
English A Level?

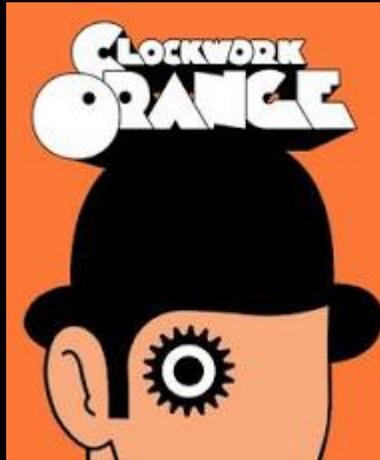
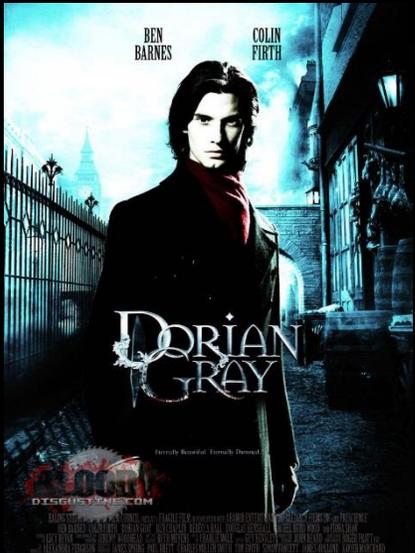
The texts are interesting, demanding and relevant to you...

We deal with love, infidelity, heartbreak and obsession in poetry.

You'll study 'The Great Gatsby' and explore the Roaring Twenties, a time of decadence, wild parties, organised crime and jazz music.

The texts are richer and engaging— love poetry, Othello and The Great Gatsby (Unit 1) and A Streetcar Named Desire, Handmaid's Tale and Owen Sheers' poetry for (Unit 2). They are controversial and challenging.

You read at your pace and can work more independently than ever before.





## Small class sizes

Approximately 10 pupils

Individual attention from your teacher

Many good quality filmed productions to 'help you learn...'

Lessons which are tailored to your ability and learning styles

Lots of collaboration and pupil-led lessons.

## Debate and Discussion

It's not all essays and reading (although there is plenty of reading).

The texts stimulate genuinely interesting debate and discussion on topics such as sexism in modern society, whether obsession can ever be a good thing and if we are more liberal in our attitudes to relationships than previous generations.

Your opinions matter in a way that GCSE doesn't allow. The course demands that you have your own views and interpretations on texts, periods in history and broader concepts such as love, gender and wealth.



**“LITERATURE IS NEWS THAT STAYS NEWS.”**      **EZRA POUND**

## You will do well

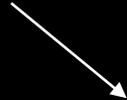
English Literature results are among the best in the school at A Level and also among the best in terms of stretching every pupil, regardless of ability.

It is an incredibly well-regarded Arts degree which teaches life skills essential for jobs in a range of fields – from Law and Banking to Academia and Teaching

We believe it's because the subject is interesting and rewards a passion for reading. You will always do better in something that you enjoy.

It is also a facilitating subject. The top Universities all recognise it as a well-respected A Level that displays your communication skills, which helps in highly-competitive fields such as Medicine.

# Owen Sheers – Welsh Rugby Union Poet Laureate at SGS



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Some English graduates