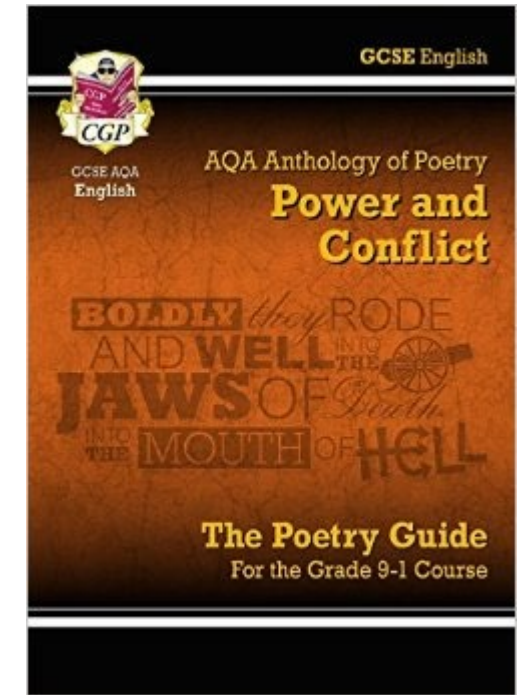
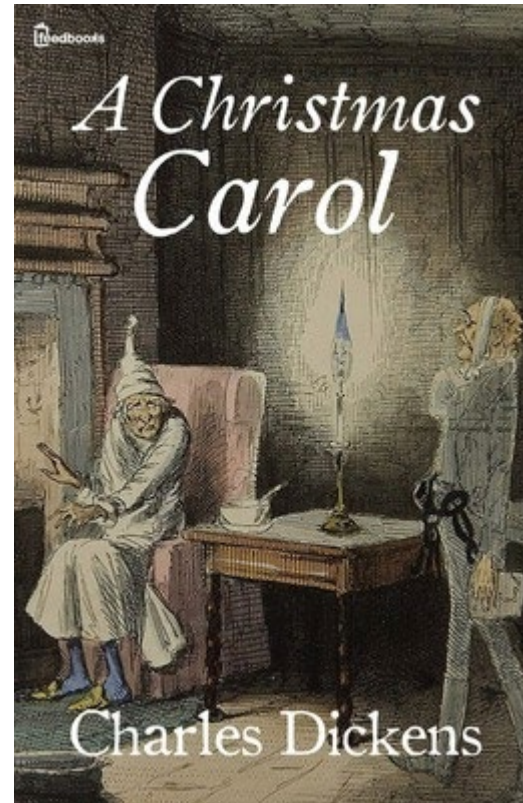
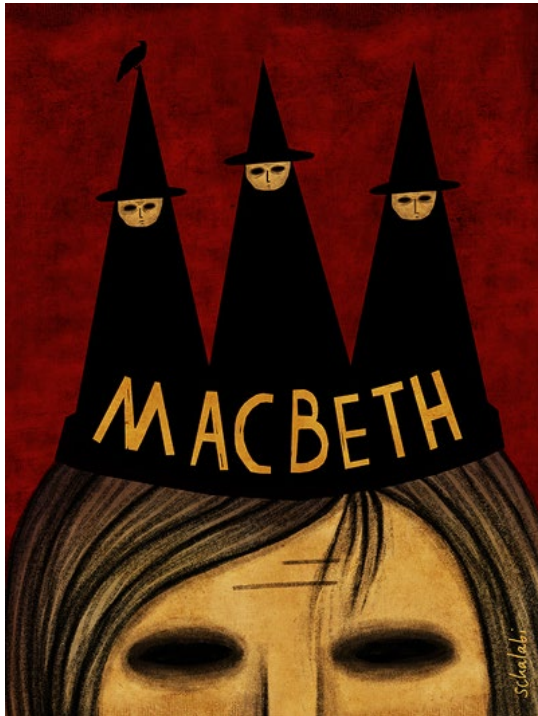


# English Literature GCSE



# English GCSE (9-1)

<u>Old</u>	<u>New</u>
A**	9
A*	8
A	7
High B	6
Low B/ High C	5
Low C	4
D	3
E	2
F/G	1

- There is no higher or foundation paper in English
- Everyone sits the same paper
- Current and Target grades are shared with students

# The Exams

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019:

Shakespeare and the 19<sup>th</sup> Century Novel = 1hr 45 mins

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019:

Modern Text and Poetry = 2hrs 15 mins



<b>Term</b>	<b>Topic</b>
1	Macbeth, Shakespeare
2	A Christmas Carol, Charles Dickens
3	Blood Brothers, Willy Russell
4	Power and Conflict Poetry
5	Revision

# The skills students need...

## English Literature

### Assessment Objectives (AOs)

AO1	Read, understand and respond to texts.  Students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• maintain a critical style and develop an informed personal response</li><li>• use textual references, including quotations, to support and illustrate interpretations.</li></ul>
AO2	Analyse the language, form and structure used by a writer to create meanings and effects, using relevant subject terminology where appropriate.
AO3	Show understanding of the relationships between texts and the contexts in which they were written.
AO4	Use a range of vocabulary and sentence structures for clarity, purpose and effect, with accurate spelling and punctuation.

# English Literature: What will I be asked to do in each exam?

**1 hour 45 minutes**

## **Paper One: Shakespeare and 19th Century Novel**

### **Section A: Shakespeare**

You will be given an extract from a scene in '**Macbeth**'. You will answer one essay question on exploring a character or theme in this extract and again on the whole play.

**30 marks + 4 for SpAG**

### **Section B: 19th Century Novel**

Similarly to section A, you will be given an extract to work with. You will be asked one essay question on '**A Christmas Carol**' exploring the presentation of a character or theme in the extract and in the novel as a whole.

**30 Marks**

# English Literature: What will I be asked to do in each exam?

**2 hour 15 minutes**

## **Paper Two: Modern Texts and Poetry**

### **Section A: Modern Texts**

You will be given two essay questions on characters or themes in '**Blood Brothers**' and must choose one to answer. There will be no extract.

**30 marks plus 4 for SpAG**

### **Section B: Anthology Poetry: Power and Conflict**

One of the poems from the anthology you have studied will be printed in the exam paper. You will be asked one essay question, comparing this poem to another from the anthology of your choice.

**30 marks**

### **Section C: Unseen Poetry**

Part a) You will be given one poem which you have not studied. You will answer one essay question about this poem. **24 marks**

Part b) You will be given one more poem that you haven't studied. You will be asked to write a short comparison between this poem and the first unseen poem. **8 marks**

# English Revision

Little and often

20 minutes done regularly is  
better than 1 hour done weekly





# How you can support your child at home...

- Ensure that homework is being completed
- Create a realistic revision timetable and stick to it
- Rewards
- Purchase CGP revision guides
- Be mindful of exam anxiety

# Useful Resources



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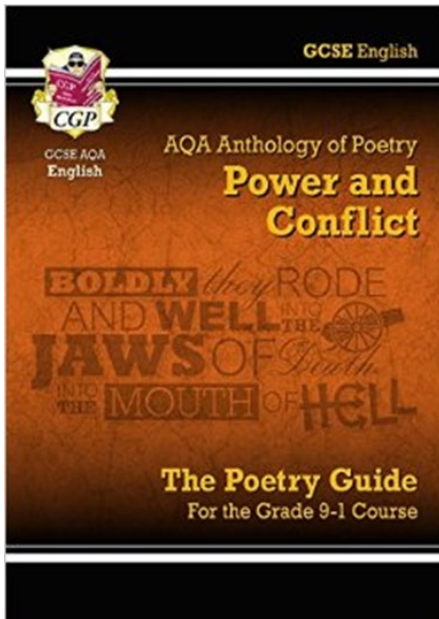
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