

## Birchwood High School

## English Literature A-level (AQA Spec B) Curriculum Map 2024-25

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Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
An Introduction to Crime: The Murder of Roger Ackroyd Paper 2A  Tropes of crime fiction Crime subgenres 1920s context Role of Christie as a female author Role of victim Social Commentary Narrative structure Christie's influence on other writers within the genre Construction of evaluator essays		Crime Poetry: Robert Browning Paper 2A  Porphyria's Lover My Last Duchess  Conventions of crime and poetry. Context of Browning.	Taught narrative theory based on the AQA Critical Anthology     Independent text choice based on discussion with teacher     Setting of essay question based on text and specific area of narrative interest		An Introduction to Shakespearean Contex and Comedy: Paper 1B
Initial essays based on poems in isolation using In Autumn 2 there are timed essays.	AS level questions. Regular content checks.	Assessed essays every three weeks. Final timed essay at end of Spring Term 1.		First drafts due in week 4. Final drafts due in before the end of summer term.	Final Y12 mock exam.
An Introduction to Comedy: Emma Paper 1B  Novel as a literary form Comedic tropes within the genre. Context of the Regency era. The role of women in literature Satire			NEA Critical Theory: Feminism and Marxism  Exploration of AQA Critical Anthology: Feminism and Marxism.	NEA Rossetti Coursework: Marxism and Feminism	An Introduction to Crime Poetry – Robert Browning: Paper 2A
Assessment initially based on small context tests and checks.  As reading of the novel progresses, written assessment becomes more formal including timed essays and homework responses.  Mock exam comparing poetry with Emma at the end of Term 1.			Content tests based on theory learned over the course of the term.	First drafts due in week 4. Final drafts due in before the end of summer term.	Final Y12 mock exam.
Shakespearean Comedy: Twelfth Night Paper 1B  Conventions of Elizabethan drama Context: Literary/Social/Historical Commedia Del'arte Dramatic terminology Conventions of comedy Role of women in drama Interpretations and the play in performance Approaches to both extract and evaluation questions.		Crime Poetry – Crabbe and Wilde Paper 2A  Ballad of Reading Goal Peter Grimes  Associated context and poetical terminology to the poem taught as the term progresses.	<ul> <li>Unseen Crime Extracts: Paper 2A</li> <li>Revision of crime subgenres</li> <li>Exposure to a wide range of crime extracts</li> <li>Teaching of how to identify genre tropes, context and effects.</li> </ul>	Revision of whole course     Revision of all texts studied     Final explanation and exploration of exam demands     Practice planning and essays under timed conditions     Meeting with individual students to discuss areas of specific need.	Exams
Initial focus on extract based questions As reading and study of the play continues, focus shifts to evaluation style questions. Assessment at regular intervals including an initial mock at five weeks.		Two essays over the course of the term in the order of teaching.	Exam questions planned in each lesson. Two essays over the course of the half-term	Regular timed essays and content test based	on identified, specific needs of students.
<ul> <li>Dramatic conventions</li> <li>Context of late 19<sup>th</sup> century performance</li> <li>Wilde's personal context.</li> <li>Exam practice</li> <li>Conventions of</li> </ul>				Revision of whole course     Revision of all texts studied     Final explanation and exploration of exam demands     Practice planning and essays under timed conditions     Meeting with individual students to discuss areas of specific need.	Exams

		<ul> <li>Role of the victim</li> <li>Detection</li> </ul>		
Two essays over the course of the term.	Two essays over the course of the term.	Comprehension tests at regular intervals.  Exam style questions at regular intervals throughout the term as reading progresses.	Regular timed essays and content test based	on identified, specific needs of students.