

Subject: GCSE English Literature

Examination Board

Eduqas (WJEC)

C720U

Specification Number

Teacher responsible

Mrs Collins

Introduction

All students at Waterfront UTC are required to study GCSE English Literature. There are no tiers. All students sit the same papers.

Course Content

There are two papers:

English Literature Component 1: Shakespeare & Poetry Anthology

Section A – 2 questions on Shakespeare.

Section B – 2 questions on the Poetry Anthology.

Students will study the play Macbeth by Shakespeare and 18 poems from across the centuries.

English Literature Component 2: Modern Texts, 19th Century Text and Unseen Poetry

Section A – 1 question on the chosen modern text

Section B – 1 question on a 19th Century text

Section C – 2 questions on 2 unseen poems.

Students will study the play An Inspector Calls (by J B Priestley), as well A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens. In the final section students have to analyse and compare two unseen poems.

Assessment

Assessment takes place at the end of the course in Year 10 and is 100% examination based. There are two examinations. Component 1 is worth 80 marks and Component 2 is worth 120 marks. Component 1 (which has 2 sections) is 2 hours and Component 2 (which has 3 sections) is 2 hours 30 minutes long. There are no tiers. All students sit the same papers.

Progression

Students can, with a grade 7, progress from this qualification to:

GCE A Levels in Literature, Language or Language and Literature