

English Language and Literature (Edexcel) - Mrs Gill - July 2018

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Year 13 English Language and Literature – Independent study

Reading list

- Angela Carter – The Bloody Chamber
- Carol Ann Duffy – The World’s Wife
- Irvine Welsh - Trainspotting
- Sylvia Plath – The Bell Jar
- Anthony Burgess – A Clockwork Orange
- Cormac McCarthy – The Road
- Wilfred Owen – The War poems of Wilfred Owen
- Hanif Kureishi – The Buddha of Suburbia
- Margaret Atwood – The Handmaid’s Tale

- Vera Brittain - Testament of Youth
- Sebastian Faulks with Hope Wolf – A Broken World: Letters, Diaries and Memories of the Great War
- Anne Frank – The Diary of a Young Girl
- Maya Angelou – I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings
- Bill Bryson – Notes from a Small Island

10 activities for Independent Learning in English Language and Literature

- Reading a newspaper every day – think about the context, audience and purpose of interesting articles
- Engaging with a variety of non-fiction texts such as reading the National Geographic, listening to Podcasts, following Blogs and begin to emulate their style in your written work
- Write ‘creatively’ once a week – whether a description or story – there are plenty of ideas on-line to help you.
- Go onto the ‘The Gateway’ and under English search for the folders with Streetcar Study Guides and work through
- Re-read and research ‘A Single Man’ – add to the notes that you have made
- Research Sylvia Plath – make extensive notes on each of the poems in the collection that you are studying
- Watch as many versions of A Streetcar as you can find – there are several!
- Read as many books from the Reading List above as you can
- Find a columnist that interests you and follow their written style. (E.g. Caitlin Moran, Michael Deacon etc.)
- Research the writers that feature in the Voices in Speech and Writing Anthology.