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Course Overview: Advanced Higher English

Advanced Higher English offers the opportunity to develop complex language skills which are essential for learning, life and work. Through study at this level you will develop the ability to interpret, produce and appreciate a wide range of literature and texts in different genres. This enables you to access your own cultural heritage and history, as well as the culture and history of others.

The course is comprised of 4 parts, two of which (Literary Study and Textual Analysis) are predominantly teacher led. In previous years we have studied a range of rich and sophisticated texts such as drama by Tennessee Williams and Henrik Ibsen, novels like Jane Eyre and Rebecca and the poetry of Seamus Heaney.

You will also have the opportunity to personalise your study through the other two components (Dissertation and Writing Portfolio) which are expected to be completed independently.

A Pass at Higher A or B is necessary for success in this course, as is a willingness to read texts well ahead of time and work independently.

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