

English and Literature:

The English Language mock exam will be a Paper 2. Students should have done a practice paper to prepare for this and know how to analyse, evaluate and compare texts and be able to write a piece of non-fiction such as a magazine article or letter. This is mainly a skills based paper and tests reading and writing skills but students can learn the devices used in texts and to use in their own writing which give writing greater impact; these are summed up in the mnemonics SIMPLE PASS ROAR and QUEER PLACES. Students should have copies of these in their exercise books.

The English Literature mock exam is on 2 of the 4 set texts - "Macbeth" and "Christmas Carol". Students need to be familiar with the scenes or chapters which they have been revising in lessons this term. They should be able to write about how characters are presented, how settings are significant and about the themes/ideas explored in these sections.