

Year 9 Overview

The English Faculty will **empower** Erdington Academy students to be able to **question curiously and critically** the intentions behind a writer's choice of form, language and structure, across a wide spectrum of genres and text styles. From this, every student will be empowered to **communicate confidently** and **creatively** by manipulating language, structure and form to develop their own spoken and written voice across a range of analytical, transactional and creative forms.

Our aim is for students to leave Erdington Academy with a widened empathy and understanding towards different perspectives, through developing **a love of reading and literature** that nourishes them for life.

We aim to transform every learner into an expert in English Language and Literature at the same time as developing a love for the subject.

Unit	Overview	Weeks*
Narrative Conflict 	You will explore common narrative conflicts through a range of seminal pieces of British and world literature. Deliberate practice focus: Narrative writing	7
Jekyll and Hyde 	You will stretch your reading muscles with your first full length Victorian text and explore the dual nature of humanity. Deliberate practice focus: Analytical writing	9
Poetry: Disturbed Minds 	You will explore the power of language to protest and stand up for what is right through a range of poetry spanning from the Romantics to modern day. Deliberate practice focus: Analytical writing	6
Modern Issues 	You will develop your skills in rhetoric by exploring a wide range of issues that affect society today, and consider how you can be a change-maker. Deliberate practice focus: Discursive writing	6
An Inspector Calls 	You will explore class and how your actions, no matter how small or insignificant, can have a huge impact on the lives of others. Deliberate practice focus: Analytical writing	9

* This is general guidance. Some units may run over or under depending on other events throughout the school year.

Home learning reading texts: A variety of short stories, to support you with narrative writing skills.