

AUTUMN TERM 2023

Subject: English

Year: 7

Topic(s) to be covered

Students are introduced to the Odessey followed by myths and legends from a variety of cultures and contexts to widen their knowledge and understanding of the world.

Scheme of Learning One

The Odessey

GCSE Assessment Objectives AO5 and AO6.

Students will focus firstly on the Odessey before they dive into the weird and wonderful world of ancient myths and legends! This topic has been selected to support progress at GCSE as myths and legends are the platform on which many classic texts are built. Furthermore, some of the texts examined embed PSHE allowing students the opportunity to discuss what makes healthy relationships. Vocabulary, spelling, punctuation, and grammar will be entrenched in the scheme, re-capping and developing the progress students made in primary education. Students will create a beautifully crafted myth or a legend of their own using inspiration from the stories we study. There will be several assessment checkpoints built into the learning journey to allow for students to act upon the quality feedback they will receive. Teachers will also use these checkpoints to personalise their lessons to suit the needs of all learners.

Scheme of Learning One

Ancient Tales

GCSE Assessment Objectives AO1 and AO2

Students will explore short stories from around the world. They will be taught about the context that informs the stories as well as exploring the writer's use of language and structure to engage the reader. Through this, students will develop some of the reading skills required at key stage 4.

Assessment Procedures

Built into this unit are formal assessments which are designed to support progress towards GCSEs. National Curriculum grades will now be reported as flight paths.

Homework guidance

Students will be set a variety of homework tasks linked to lessons covered during the scheme of work. Students will be expected to spend twenty minutes completing these tasks. Assignments will be set on Teams and details shared with students in lessons. Students will be given a week to complete longer tasks. Students will also be set 20 minutes reading for homework too.

Enrichment opportunities:

Debate Club

Competitions

School trips/ Guest Visitors

How can you help?

Encouraging students to complete homework to a good standard is important as homework supports learning that has taken place in the classroom. Students will be able to show you their homework assignments and teacher feedback on Teams.

Regular reading of a variety of texts is an excellent way to boost performance in English. Reading with students at home and discussing texts with them is a fantastic way to build their skills. Fiction or non-fiction texts of any length

will all support their development.