

# NT English

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# Year 10 in a nutshell

GCSE content includes the following:

## Autumn term

- Identity and Estrangement (poetry analysis)
- Relationships with the environment (poetry analysis and creative writing)

## Spring term

- *A Christmas Carol* – Charles Dickens

## Summer term

- Non-fiction text (analysis and writing)



4 exams: 2 x Language,  
2 x Literature

7 ½ hours of exams in  
total

# Expectations of students

- Committed focus in the classroom and with independent studies
- Bring their own equipment to minimise disruption to learning
- High-quality notes in books to ensure clarity for revision
- Reading and writing in their own time (wider reading around GCSE course topics)
- Talk to us when things are difficult; it is our job to help them achieve their full potential

# Some websites to help:

- <https://www.airpano.com/>
- <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/gcse>
- <https://www.lovereadng.co.uk/>
- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news>
- <https://www.theguardian.com/uk>

# Ways you can help from home

- Purchasing a copy of each set text (*A Christmas Carol*, *Animal Farm* and 'Macbeth')
  - They are expected to analyse methods in detail, so this will allow them to make notes on their own copies
  - We do have copies for them to use in lessons
- Reminder of homework – it will be on Class Charts
- Encouraging students to read around the subjects being taught in school
- Encouraging reading and writing for pleasure

# Ways we will support at school

- A curriculum restructure at GCSE
- Homework will be set using Class Charts (one homework a week – only that which is relevant)
- Encouraging reading and writing for pleasure – recommending books etc
- Tutor time sessions which are subject specific
- Reading Club
- Library