The Knights Templar School
English and Media Faculty
Scheme of Work

GCSE English Language
Paper 1: Writing

Aims

- To develop pupils' competence and confidence in planning, structuring and writing engaging and effective narratives and descriptions.
- To introduce pupils to a variety of narrative and descriptive texts to develop their understanding of what good writing is.
- To increase awareness of the ways in which writers craft their work for effect, with a particular focus on language, literary and linguistic devices and use this awareness to improve the quality of their own writing.
- To improve pupils' vocabulary so that they can employ a broad and ambitious vocabulary in their own writing.
- To improve literacy skills, with a particular focus on spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- To promote the importance of the practices of drafting, redrafting and editing work.

Outline of Scheme

Week 1-3: Introduction to Descriptive Writing

Week 4 : Formal Assessment: Descriptive Writing Task

Week 5-7: Introduction to Narrative Writing

Week 8: Formal Assessment: Narrative Writing Task

Key terminology - words which pupils will need to be familiar with:

genre	structure	vocabulary	tone	register	style	form	purpose
audience	coherence	cohesion	narrator	dialogue	characterisation		setting
flashback	annotate	atmosphere	literary	linguistic	drafting	editing	grammar

Outcomes

- **Pupils will read a wide range of extracts drawn from 19th, 20th and 21st Century Literature and discuss the ways in which writers use descriptive detail to create settings, atmosphere and characters.**
- **Pupils will analyse language use in a range of short extracts and create their own writing with a particular emphasis on the use of broad and ambitious vocabulary.**
- **Pupils will read extracts and discuss the ways in which writers develop narratives, create tension and establish themes and emulate this in their own writing.**
- **Pupils will write detailed narratives and descriptions in response to past paper Q5, using at least one picture stimulus.**