



YEAR 8 LEARNING JOURNEY INFORMATION

ENGLISH

A Study in Travel: Time, Space, Place



Autumn Term 1

Knowledge

I will explore a range of poetry from loss and grief, to hope and celebration. I will develop my knowledge of a wider range of poetic devices.

Skill

I will develop detailed annotations of poetry and be able to write about poems using evidence and inference skills.

Life In Victorian Britain: A Christmas Carol



Autumn Term 2

Knowledge

I will develop my social, cultural and historical knowledge of Victorian Britain. I will read A Christmas Carol and learn more about the life and works of Charles Dickens.

Skill

I will be able to use contextual evidence to support my understanding of a text.

Romancing the Tudor She Wolves



Spring Term 1

Knowledge

I will learn about Sir Gawain and the Green Knight amongst other stories, looking at power and gender in medieval society.

Skill

I will develop my ability to choose a range of words and techniques for effect. I will write a description of a medieval battle.

George Orwell: Non Fiction



Spring Term 2

Knowledge

I will read a range of non-fiction extracts to help me to gain an understanding and appreciation of the wide range of cultural influences that shape my own heritage and others.

Skill

I will begin to independently analyse and respond to non-fiction texts.

Survival



Summer Term 1

Knowledge

I will explore a range of literature from Robinson Crusoe to The Hunger Games. I will develop my knowledge of rhetorical devices to develop debating skills.

Skill

I will work in a group to plan survival strategies and take part in a debate.

Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou, Romeo?



Summer Term 2

Knowledge

I will develop my cultural and moral appreciation of Shakespearean society and study extracts from Romeo and Juliet.

Skill

I will develop my ability to make inferences about characters. I will perform a piece of Shakespearean drama.