

Advanced Higher English: Course Guide

Writing Folio

- * You will write a range of different pieces—you will not be restricted to genres in AH.
- * These will be planned, developed and drafted over the course of Advanced Higher
- * You will choose 1 piece for submission and your folio will be sent to the SQA in April.
- * The Writing Folio is 30% of your overall AH grade.

Dissertation

- * You will choose the texts you study for your dissertation—this can be from any genre.
- * You will usually compare two texts.
- * You will decide on the focus of your dissertation and analyse language and theme.
- * Your dissertation will be planned, developed and drafted over the course of Advanced Higher.
- * The Dissertation is 30% of your overall AH grade.

Literary Study

- * This is Paper 1 of the exam. You will have 90 minutes for this part of the paper.
- * You will be required to write 1 essay in response to texts you have studied in class.
- * You will not have the text with you.
- * You will demonstrate your understanding of the texts, analyse the language and techniques used by the writer and evaluate its impact.
- * You will be comparing texts in your response.
- * The Literary Study is 20% of your overall AH Grade.

Textual Analysis

- * This is Paper 2 of the exam—you will have 90 minutes.
- * You will analyse a piece of unseen literature. You will choose from a range of genres—poetry, fiction, non-fiction and drama.
- * Textual Analysis is 20% of your overall AH grade.

Helpful Websites and Advice

- * Ensure you can access GLOW and check your Google Classroom regularly to find any work missed or extra materials.
- * SQA website (Advanced Higher English) has all Past Papers and marking schemes.
- * SQA Understanding Standards has examples of pupil work for each of the different elements of the Higher course.
- * SCHOLAR also has a wide range of resources to support the Higher course.
- * Read broadsheet newspapers such as The Independent, The Guardian, The Scotsman to help broaden vocabulary and understanding.
- * Stay organised—a folder will help you keep all your notes together.
- * Stay up to date with all work. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to catch up on work missed.
- * Ask questions!
- * Enjoy the opportunity to read a range of literature and share your ideas.

