



2024-2026 Entry into Year 12 Preparation Materials

Pearson Edexcel English Literature	
Recommended Reading	<p>Try to read at least one of the following texts over the summer. They're great texts!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• William Shakespeare, <i>King Lear</i>• Tennessee Williams, <i>A Streetcar Named Desire</i>• Toni Morrison, <i>Beloved</i>• Bram Stoker, <i>Dracula</i>
Articles	<p>The genre of Tragedy in 21st century (written during the COVID-19 pandemic) – Guardian https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2022/jan/15/tragedy-pandemics-climate-crisis-algorithms-tech-drama</p>
E-magazine	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thirst for Knowledge: <i>Dracula</i> https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/emc-magazines/emagazine/articles/a-deadly-thirst-for-knowledge-bram-stoker-s-dracula/• The Gothic in <i>Dracula</i> and <i>Beloved</i> https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/emc-magazines/emagazine/articles/are-you-sitting-comfortably-the-gothicism-of-dracula-and-beloved/• Defining Tragedy: classical to modern: https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/emc-magazines/emagazine/articles/defining-tragedy-drama-from-classical-to-modern-period/ <p>E-magazine login details: Username: stcuthbert1881 Password: Shakespeare</p>
Podcasts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Tragedy</i> (BBC Radio 4, <i>In our Time: Culture</i>)• <i>Lear</i> (BBC Radio 4, <i>In our Time: Culture</i>)• Creative Visionaries: Tennessee Williams (Famous Fates)• <i>Gothic</i> (BBC Radio 4, <i>In our Time: Culture</i>) <p>All available on Spotify and other podcast platforms.</p>
Watch (documentaries)	<p>Shakespeare: Rise of a Genius https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0gjkxgm</p>