



Knowledge Organiser for GCSE English

English Literature Paper 2 – Unseen Poetry

Info	Step1 – Read both poems	Step2 – POEM 1 The “Big Picture”	Step 3– POEM 1 Highlight Devices and Patterns	Step4 – Write up POEM 1 answer – PEE, WLA etc	Step 5 – Briefly COMPARE the 2 poems		
<p>This paper’s full title is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper 2 Modern texts and Poetry • This is the third task on the paper (after ‘An Inspector Calls’ and your Poetry Anthology question) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remember this is an ‘unseen’ task so the exam board are looking for how you can apply methods of poetry analysis when you’re by yourself. • Look at the question first because it probably will tell you what the poems are about. • Highlight the question. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read the poem through at least twice. • Looking at the question and the poem, try to understand what the poem is about. • Look at the last two lines if you’re really struggling because the meaning is often clearest here. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only highlight and annotate the poem when it answers the question not just because you can see a method! • Try to think about the structure of the poem • Number your points so that you know where your best points are. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Try to identify a technique being used by the poet • Look at connotations for WLA- what is suggested by this word • Consider your own personal response to the poem • Aim to write 2 PEEs. • If you’re aiming for the top marks, talk about structure too. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on poem 2 • Use lots of comparison words • Use PEE. • Look at connotations for WLA- what is suggested by this word • Consider your own personal response to the poem • If you’re aiming for top marks, try to embed a comment about structure. 		
Useful Weblinks for Revision		Key Pictograms	Marks & Timings		Key Poetry Terms		
<p>Mr Bruff videos on unseen poetry: https://bit.ly/2p8zDi6 YouTube Portal with MASSES of materials: https://bit.ly/2X1K2bZ</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read both poems • 5mins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do the task on Poem 1 • 24 marks • 30mins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do the comparison of both poems • 8 marks • 10mins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stanza • Quatrain • Rhythm • Rhyme • Enjambment • Caesura • Imagery • Metaphors • Similes • Personification • Alliteration • Sibilance • Onomatopoeia • Anaphora...
Exam Time	%	Where to get help					
<p>2hrs 15 mins Q1 Inspector 45mins Q2 Anthology 45mins Q3 Unseen 45mins</p>	<p>The whole paper forms 60% of your entire English Literature GCSE The Unseen Poetry on its own is worth 21%</p>	<p>All resources are at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student Shared Area: LITERATURE PAPER2 - INSPECTOR + POETRY - PINK • These include all the teaching packs + past papers + model answers 					