BUDMOUTH ACADEMY
WEYMOUTH

Sixth Form Pre-Course Task

Welcome to English Literature. The study of literature connects us to the people of our past; it is their ideas which inform our present and *your* ideas which will change the future!

On this course you will engage with critical ideas, learn about historical moments and the experiences of those who have come before us.

In preparation for you joining us in September, please complete the following pre-course tasks where you will have the opportunity to showcase your prior knowledge, skills and to outline your specific areas of interest within this subject area more widely.

**Please type your responses on a separate document.*

TASK 1: Tell us how this subject links to your future aspirations.

For example, this might be the career you'd like to enter into or the apprenticeship/university course you'd like to pursue.

Useful website for careers guidance:

https://www.ucas.com/explore/search/courses?query=
https://www.ucas.com/careers-advice
https://findapprenticeshiptraining.apprenticeships.education.gov.uk/courses
https://uk.indeed.com/
https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/

TASK 2- Research: Our first topic is entitled 'Love through the Ages.' Research and record the different types of love according to Greek Mythology.

Extension: Make links between the types of love found and the ones present in the texts you've read.

TASK 3-Written task (word count *750-1000 words)*:

'Pain is part of love.'

In light of the above statement, write an essay on a novel of your choice.

This task will give you an experience of the type of independent reading that will be expected of you. It will also expose you to reading and engaging with an unfamiliar, often challenging text, both essential skills needed for A Level Literature. It will also help you to develop some of the skills needed for your completion of the non-exam assessment at the end of Year 12.

Pre-course reading recommendations:
KS5 Recommended Reading List

Links to purchase your relevant set texts can all be found here:

Recommended edition of Othello: Oxford School Shakespeare, Othello
ISBN-10: 0198328737
Othello: Amazon Link

Recommended edition of *The Great Gatsby*: Wordsworth Classics, Gatsby
ISBN-10: 185326041X
The Great Gatsby: Amazon Link

Recommended edition of *The Handmaid's Tale*:
ISBN-10: 0099740915
The Handmaid's Tale: Amazon Link

Recommended edition of *A Streetcar Named Desire*: Penguin, Modern Classics.
ISBN-10: 0141190272
A Streetcar Named Desire: Amazon Link

Recommended edition of *Feminine Gospels*: Picador
ISBN-10: 1509852913
Feminine Gospels: Amazon Link

If you have any questions about this course or require any further information on the tasks set above, please contact lengland@budmouth-aspirations.org.

Please note that all pre-course tasks should be handed to your subject teacher by **Friday 11th September**, if these have been typed then please print them out before handing in.

We look forward to working alongside you and seeing all you can achieve on this course.