



Heathside School English Department

Year 9 Accelerated Pupil Programme

Read this ...

- *Robinson Crusoe* – Defoe
- *Smith* – Staunton
- *Twelfth Night* - Shakespeare
- *Macbeth* - Shakespeare
- *Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde* - Stevenson
- *Sherlock Holmes* – Conan Doyle
- *I Capture the Castle* – Dodie Smith
- Contemporary poetry
- Newspaper articles of your choice (The Guardian, Telegraph etc)
- Research the winners of recent literary prizes and make it your aim to read the entire list. *The Carnegie Award* and the *Costa Book Award* both recognise young writers. *The Man Booker Prize* and *Pulitzer Prize* are awards for adult writers.

Research each of these authors before you read them. When were they writing? What else did they write? What can you find out about them? Make a fact file of each author.

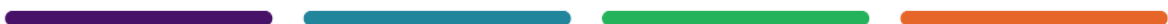
Watch this ...

- *Macbeth* at The Globe:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iuCHmNIFfog>
- *Twelfth Night* at The Globe with a discussion featuring Stephen Fry:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iDBvX6fTWoo&list=PLnplGcWBDzLgRfTo2cM2FT3wVbYmK2_np&index=2
- BBC version of *Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde*.
- 60 Second Book Review: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UClia6nJ87nspw3p_QeK3Q
- Video Sparknotes: <https://www.youtube.com/user/VideoSparkNotes>
- Mr Bruff: <https://www.youtube.com/user/mrbruff>

Make notes, a poster or a storyboard on what you learn. Could you research this topic further?

Make this ...

- Make a detailed map of the locations mentioned in *Macbeth*. Include Duncan's castle, The Witches' Heath, Birnam Wood etc.
- Make a scrapbook of newspapers articles that interest you. They could be general news articles, opinion articles or anything else that catches your interest.





Write this ...

- Create a journal of travel writing for the places you have visited in the past. Add to it whenever you visit somewhere new.
- Go to an art gallery and write an article/description/story, based on your favourite piece of the day. You could research the piece of art further on the internet, prior to writing, so that you find extra inspiration.

Research this ...

- Research the history of any of the authors we study in class.
- Research 19th century writers that interest you.
- Research religion, science and Darwin in the 19th century. How were these influencing writing of the time?

Read any books that you come across in your research that interest you and write a book review for each.

Visit this ...

- Take a trip to The Globe theatre to watch any of Shakespeare's plays.
- Go on the 'Sherlock Holmes Walking Tour of London'.
<http://www.dickenslondontours.co.uk/>
- Find and go to a theatre to watch a Sherlock Holmes play
Book tickets at The Yvonne Arnaud Theatre in Guildford to watch Romeo and Juliet.
<http://www.yvonne-arnaud.co.uk/production/romeo-and-juliet-0>

Write a review of your findings and experiences when visiting any of the above places.

Explore this ...

- BBC Writers' Room: www.bbc.co.uk/writersroom
- Writing Competitions: www.towerpoetry.org.uk
- R4 Book Club: www.bbc.co.uk/radio4/arts/bookclub
- A Good Read: www.bbc.co.uk/rad4/arts/agoodread.shtml
- Guardian Online Podcasts: <http://.books.guardian.co.uk/podcasts>





- Workshops: <http://.books.guardian.co.uk/poetryworkshop/0,,1314872,00.html>

Join this ...

- Find a book club in your local area for readers your age and join up.
- Join Heathside's KS3 Book Club, which runs every other Tuesday in L3.
- Good Reads – read books and share your reviews and thoughts on them online.

Enter this ...

- Writing Competitions: www.towerpoetry.org.uk

