

## SWR English Department - KS5 - A - LEVEL - Extension Tasks

### YEAR 12

Term	Topic	Homework task
Autumn Paper One	The Great Gatsby	Research the Interwar periods in America – rise of Jazz, technical innovation – 1927 as a key year – contemporary writers etc – do a short presentation to the class Life and Times of F Scott Fitzgerald – do a short presentation to the class Read some F Fitzgerald short stories – write a review of one of them
Autumn	Othello	Shakespeare's theatre; women in Tudor/Jacobean society; go to the Globe theatre in London; see a performance – write a review or give a short presentation to the class
Spring	Pre 19 <sup>th</sup> Century poetry	Research the changing periods; Restoration, Romantic, Victorian etc and become familiar with some contextual background for each. Make notes and hand in to your teacher. Read other poems by the authors in the Anthology.
Spring	Unseen Poetry	Explore a poem of your own choice and prep a presentation on it. Write your own sonnet choosing your subject matter and sonnet type.
	Mock prep	Make up your own exam questions – understand how the assessment objectives would be covered in it. Discuss with your teacher.
Summer	The Picture of Dorian Gray/NEA	Research the life of Oscar Wilde. Explore the background to Victorian London. Read a selection of other texts with which to compare it. Do a short presentation to the class.
Summer Paper Two	WW1 Option O What a Lovely War	Visit the Imperial War Museum. Visit the trenches in Belgium and Northern France. Research the origins of WW1 and the Edwardian era. Find out about Joan Littlewood and Bertolt Brecht.
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Autumn	Oh What a Lovely War	As Year 12, plus research Edwardian music hall Visit a theatre production of a play or musical.
Autumn	Scars Upon My Heart	Read around Vera Brittain and May Wedderburn Cannan. Research women on the home front.
Spring	A Long Long Way	Wider reading around WW1 – drama, novels and poetry eg. Journey's End, Memoirs of an Infantry Officer, Wilfred Owen.
Spring	Unseen texts	As above
summer	Exam prep	Practice questions