## Subject: English (AQA)

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## This course covers:

YEARS 1 AND 2: Fiction and non fiction reading and writing: short stories, opinion articles, speeches from a range of sources.

We use a mixture of contemporary and older texts- for example a recent speech by Barack Obama coupled with an extract from a 19th century autobiography by Frederick Douglas.

Students will write and perform their own speeches for their spoken language NEA. These can be on any topic of their choice.

Students work on elements of their own creative writing with the guidance of models in the form of short stories by authors such as Shirley Jackson, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie and Ursula LeGuin

## The teachers say:

"We love teaching this course because: we read contemporary texts about issues affecting the world and we see students developing strong individual voices. Students also have lots of opportunities for creative writing"

The students say:

"We enjoy this course because:

'it's fun to write things'

'we like learning the persuasive writing techniques we need to give people ideas'

'I am getting better at writing all the time because I keep trying new things'



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## Our recommended Revision Resources:

Past papers are the very best way to revise.

Reading opinion articles is incredibly useful too- try Independent voices, Guardian comment is free, or the Mail Online for nonpaywall access to opinion articles online each week

What future pathways might be open to me if I study SUBJECT? XXXXXXX

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