

Belfairs Academy English Fundamentals Map

GCSE English Literature: The Shakespearean Play 'Romeo and Juliet'

Students will learn and have knowledge of, and be able recall:	Section A of the Exam - Language Analysis. Students will be able to:
 The plot of the play The characters in the play and their role in the plot; 	Comment upon Shakespeare's language choices that craft a particular:
their relationships with other characters; their motives and reactions	☐ Theme☐ Character☐ Relationship
☐ The themes of the play:	- Rolationip
□ Violence□ Power□ Love	Select words and phrases from extract to analyse, in response to the key word in the question.
□ Revenge	Apply technical vocabulary to analysis
□ love,	Write in a critical style about Shakespeare's choice
□ honour,	of vocabulary and its inferred meaning within the
	extract.
fate & destiny	Write an organised response which is directly
□ secrets	analysing the extract- consider charater, plot or
☐ Youth v Age	theme (as driven by the exam question).
□ the individual versus society	
The ways in which Shakespeare uses language:	Embed quotations accurately, where possible using ellipsed quotations.
□ Metaphor	Use a range of analytical verbs to assess the effect
□ Personification	of the language on the audience, the character,
□ Metaphor / Extended Metaphor	themes or plot.
□ Sensory Imagery	Section B of the Exam – wider analysis of play.
☐ Symbolism	Students will be able to:
□ Oxymoron	
☐ Juxtaposition	Write an informed and knowledgeable exploration
□ Semantic Fields	of the play (as directed by the focus of the question).
□ Iambic Pentameter / Free Verse / Prose	question).
 Sound patterning (alliteratives, plosives, sibilance, fricatives) 	Select events from the play which are relevant to the question.
□ Repetition	Write in a critical style about the meanings held in the play.
The way in which Shakespeare crafts character through:	and piety.
 Use of speech and thought (soliloquy/dialogue) 	Recall quotes from the play which can be used to
 The use of foils between characters 	support ideas about aspects of the play (themes,
 How characters speak about each other 	relationships).
 How characters react to other characters 	Use understanding and knowledge of the context
Shakespeare's use of foreshadowing through the play as means to structure the play, to create irony, pathos, comedy, tragedy.	of the play to inform the reading of the play — embed context within response, to illuminate interpretations of character, theme or plot.
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How Shakespeare creates the tension as the plot unravels though stage craft (exits, entrances, timing/mistimings)	
The concepts of Tragedy as a genre Historical understanding of the time the play is set in (Elizabethan England) order to understand the motives and the behaviours of the characters.	



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