



Homework Policy

Subject area: English

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The purpose of homework within the English Department is:

- To develop independence, confidence and resilience
- To recap and embed knowledge
- To apply exam skills independently

Homework within the English department enables students to:

- Consolidate and extend work covered in class and so deeply embeds knowledge
- Develop research skills
- Have an opportunity for independent work
- Show progress and understanding
- Enhance students study skills e.g. planning, time management and self - discipline
- Take ownership and responsibility for their own learning
- Promotes enjoyment of learning for its own sake

The amount of homework

Year	Amount of time allocated for English homework each week at Corby Business Academy:	Set/Due date
11	60 minutes	Thursday
10	60 minutes	Monday
9	30-45 minutes	Wednesday
8	30-45 minutes	Tuesday
7	30-45 minutes	Monday

Types of homework

Year 7-9:

- Accelerated Reading
- Wider reading and comprehension questions which support the curriculum 'Big Ideas.'

Year 10-11:

- Revision: mind maps, character analysis, themes, social and historical context
- Quotation retrieval/analysis
- Exam practice: essay writing under timed conditions

Year 12-13:



- Revision: mind maps, character analysis, themes, social and historical context
- Exam practice: essay writing under timed conditions
- Secondary reading

Key Stage 4 exam topics (all AQA Exam Board):

- William Shakespeare's *Macbeth*
- Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*
- J.B Priestley's *An Inspector Calls*
- *Power and Conflict Cluster Poetry*
- *Unseen Poetry*
- English Language Paper 1: studying and analysing fiction extracts
- English Language Paper 2: studying and analysing non-fiction extracts

Key Stage 5 exam topics (all AQA Exam Board)

- F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby*
- *Seamus Heaney Poetry collection*
- *Paris Anthology*
- Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*
- Tennessee William's *A Streetcar Named Desire*
- Language levels

Non-completion of homework

- If homework is not completed on multiple occasions, this will result in a session 6 after school to ensure students catch up on their learning.

Parents/Carers roles in homework

- The parents/carers roles in homework are primarily encourage independence through giving students a clear work space area at home. Encourage their child to meet homework deadlines and promote the importance of homework.

Students' responsibility

- Students need to record the homework
- Students need to meet the homework deadline
- Problems with homework should be resolved before the deadline
- Students should take pride in their homework and do their best
- Students should attend homework club if support is required