

AQA 'A' Level English Literature – Transition Tasks

ALL STUDENTS **MUST** PERFORM THESE TASKS:

1. Read through the Course Introduction document and the handout.
2. Write a 300-word report explaining what 3 books you would take if you were left on a desert island and why.

THEN CHOOSE A **MINIMUM OF THREE** TASKS TO COMPLETE:

1. Read 'The Great Gatsby' by F Scott Fitzgerald and write a 500-word plot synopsis.
2. Create a word cloud with all the different key issues and themes raised in 'The Great Gatsby'.
3. Read the opening of William Shakespeare's 'Othello' and record/film yourself performing one of Iago's soliloquies.
4. Create a timeline of all the different movements in literature beginning with the 14th Century and ending with Modern Literature.
5. Create a definition sheet of 20 different technical features that a student could analyse in poetry (e.g. rhyme, assonance, etc.)
6. Research when Shakespeare's 'Othello' was first performed and produce a 300-word summary of the historical context in which the play was set.
7. Speak to at least 5 people and record what their favourite piece of literature is and why.
8. Listen to an episode of the Radio 4 programme 'In Our Time'. Try to find one about a piece of literature you have read.
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qykl/episodes/player>
9. Create a ten-slide storyboard to display your understanding of the plot of either 'The Great Gatsby' or 'Othello'.