

English Literature A Level 2020

For those of you taking, or considering taking, English Literature at A level now is the perfect time to enjoy reading some wonderful texts and get an idea of what the A level course involves. At the moment you can order these texts from Amazon and I've added in the links for you. I've also given you some ideas for getting access in other ways where possible.

The texts we read are as follows and we recommend that you read them for pleasure at this stage. Just enjoy the chance to read some great literature!

The pre 20th century novel: Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Jane-Penguin-Classics-Charlotte-Bronte/dp/0141441143/ref=sr_1_1?crid=2XVHR7N5X23UP&keywords=jane+eyre+penguin+classics&qid=1585070308&srefix=jane+eyre+%2Caps%2C171&sr=8-1

This is freely available as an online text as well. For example:

<https://www.gutenberg.org/files/1260/1260-h/1260-h.htm>

Audible are also allowing free access to some audio books at the moment, and Jane Eyre is available here. Just click on <https://stories.audible.com/>

There are various film versions of Jane Eyre available including on Amazon Prime for free or to rent.

The post 1900 play: A Streetcar Named Desire by Tennessee Williams

https://www.amazon.co.uk/s?k=a+streetcar+named+desire+penguin+classics&crid=277ERWYR7SEG1&srefix=a+streetcar+name%2Caps%2C178&ref=nb_sb_ss_i_4_16

Again you can find this as an online text e.g. <http://www.metropolitancollege.com/Streetcar.pdf>

For those of you with dramatic friends, you could read this together virtually...

The film version starring Marlon Brando is available to rent from Amazon Prime and other streaming services

The post 1900 poetry:

Mean Time - Carol Ann Duffy

https://www.amazon.co.uk/s?k=mean+time&ref=nb_sb_noss_2

The Whitsun Weddings - Philip Larkin

https://www.amazon.co.uk/s?k=the+whitsun+weddings+philip+larkin&crid=37M3U3GHMVO52&srefix=the+whitsun+wed%2Caps%2C169&ref=nb_sb_ss_i_1_15

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If you have any other questions about the course, please feel free to get in touch.