

NATIONAL 5 ENGLISH

Course Summary & Curriculum Plan for National 5 English



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Course Work:

2 folio pieces to be submitted to the English Dept

1 piece is a reflective piece of writing or a short story.

1 piece is a persuasive piece of writing.

Both folio pieces are worth 15 marks each.

Final submission date end of Feb/ start of March

In the final exam

Paper One: RUAE (reading for understanding, analysis and evaluation). This paper is worth 30 marks and pupils get an hour to complete this.

Paper Two: Critical reading. In this bit of the exam students need to two different tasks. The first one the answering questions on their Scottish set text. For our students, we have chosen to teach them 6 Carol Anne Duffy poems. The second half of the critical reading paper involves writing a critical essay about a chosen text. For our students this text is Of Mice and Men. This paper is worth 40 marks (20 marks per section) and students have an hour and a half in which to complete tasks.

Ideally students should spend 45 minutes each on each section of the Scottish set text. However, in the exam, they will not receive any time prompt to move on from one bit to another. As an attainment mentor, particularly near to the prelim and exam, discussing the time management of the exam would be a big help.

Main ways you can help:

- Be aware of our folio deadlines and support pupils in getting pieces in
- Go over the structure of the exam with the pupils
- Go over time management of the exam

Nat 5 Year Plan

	June/July	Aug/Oct	Oct/Dec	Jan/Feb	Feb/March	April/May
S2	- "Valentine"?	- End Aug RUAE Assessment - Mid-Sept. "Valentine" - End Sept. "War Phot."	- Start Critical Essay Text (Of Mice and Men) - Pre-Hol. RUAE Assessment - Mid-Dec Critical Essay Begin. Nov. ST 3 - Begin. Nov. Discursive Draft complete - Begin Dec. Expressive Draft complete - End Dec. ST 4	 End Jan Prelim Mid-Feb. All Portfolio 2nd Drafts Interim Folio Mark End Feb. 2nd Prelim End Feb. ST 5 	- Mid-March ST 6	- Beg. April Exam Prac.

Example National 5 Assessment Schedule - Sample

Date	Assessment
22 nd August	RUAE 1 Assessment 1
	Complete
22 nd August	SP Talk Complete
13 th September	Scottish Text Poem 1
·	Complete
26 th September	 Scottish Text Poem 2
·	Complete
26 th September	 N5 Literacy Listening
	Assessment Complete
11 th October	 RUAE Assessment 2
	Complete
31 st October	 Persuasive 1st Draft
	Complete
8 th November	Scottish Text Poem 3
	Complete
29 th November	 Reflective 1st Draft
	Complete
6 th December	 Reading Assessment
20 th December	 Scottish Text Poem 4
	Complete
20 th December	 N5 Literacy Reading
	Assessment Complete
10 th January	 Creation and Production
	Complete
20 th Jan - 5 th Feb	• Prelims
7 th February	 Folio 2nd Drafts Complete
28 th February	N5 Exam Practice
13 th March	N5 Folio Deadline
13 th March	 Scottish Text Poem 6
	Completed