

Student Revision Conference

AQA GCSE English Literature: Achieving Grades 4 to 5

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Online

Tuesday 23 March 2021

“ *The conference was excellent, all our students benefited from it, and met or exceeded their targets. The trainer was fabulous and gave both staff and students really good examination tips.* ”



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With this comprehensive exam and skills focussed revision conference

ABOUT THIS CONFERENCE

Revised in the light of the 2019 exams this NEW AQA English Literature Student Conference focuses keenly on the students who are aiming to get grades 4/5 at GCSE. The course will provide students with the skills they require to answer successfully the questions on Shakespeare, the 19th-century novel, Modern texts, Poetry and Unseen poetry. The day is fully interactive, with a range of activities, quizzes, on-stage tasks and challenges for students throughout the day. Students will examine quality exam responses to help them perform to their full potential in the summer exams.

- Gain first-hand guidance, advice and examples for improving your grade 4/5 candidates in AQA GCSE English Literature.
- Each student receives a full workbook to complete on the day and full conference presentations / follow-on materials as electronic resources post-conference. These materials are student friendly terminology and templates for answers at grades 4/5
- The demands of the questions will be dissected, analyzed and discussed in relation to candidates on the 4/5 threshold
- The course will look in to detail at the issues created by the content of papers for these students aiming at getting a passing grade

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Paul Dodd is an experienced English expert who has worked as a teacher for over 20 years and within a major exam board before becoming an independent educational consultant.

Jo Fox is an English Teacher with 20 years' experience teaching GCSE English Language and Literature.

This conference is venue based, rest assured, should circumstances dictate we will move the conference online.

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PROGRAMME

Welcome and Introduction 10.15 – 10.25am

Grades 4/5 What do they involve in AQA GCSE English Literature 10.25 – 11.00am

- Detailed analysis of the questions
- Excellent guidance on revision and planning your answers: what are the examiners looking for?
- Expert advice on how to utilise skills across the question types;
- Interactive student essay-planning exercise, using questions from previous exams – demonstrating the skills that move answers up the mark bands
- Examiner perspective of the Assessment Objectives and why they are important
- How to use quotations effectively in the exam

Achieving grades 4/5 by mastering the content of Paper 1: Shakespeare 11.00 – 11.40am

- Using an extract from Shakespeare. What is the balance between the extract and the rest of the play?
- How to answer the question set to get the highest marks by looking at Examiner Reports.
- Moving up the levels – be the examiner, compare grade 4, 5 and 6 level responses.
- Interactive session: common exam errors and pitfalls to avoid
- Opportunity for students to question the examiners on best exam practice
- Key challenges of grades 4/5

Morning break 11.40 – 12.00pm

Paper 1: The 19th Century Novel 12.00 – 12.40pm

- How to stand out – our examiners demonstrate the effective use of historical context and the writers' methods. There is a special focus on the 'The dangers of context' our experienced course leaders explain key findings from the Examiner's report.
- Using the extract to highlight themes – how to get sound marks
- Activity: student marking exercise based on texts from either A Christmas Carol or Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde
- Review and marking of specimen scripts to highlight the key difficulties faced by level 4/5 candidates

Lunch 12.40 – 1.10pm

Question Box – Our examiners answer students' questions 1.10 – 1.20pm

Paper 2: Modern Texts 1.20 – 2.00pm

- Demonstrating in your response the importance of dramatic/writer technique in responding to these texts
- Looking closely at the question structure of your text. What words appear in the questions and what do they mean? How do you tackle these questions?
- Look closely at a student exemplar – what are its strengths? What could be improved?
- Making exercise what works and what doesn't

Paper 2: Poetry Anthology 2.00 – 2.40pm

- Revising for this question – top tips from the examiners, including practising linking poems to make the best selection in the exam
- Examine how to address the theme effectively to reach the highest marks and learn lessons identified in recent Examiner Reports
- Key weaknesses often found at grade 4/5 responses and below
- Group brainstorm exercise – given a poem and a question, students discuss which other poems would be appropriate to select and how to cover the question
- Examiners discuss choices students made, highlighting strengths and weaknesses

Paper 2: Unseen Poetry 2.40 – 3.15pm

- Approaching the unseen: our examiners take students through an unseen poem example, highlighting how to make the best use of their prior learning
- See what differentiates responses – students examine model answers
- Excellent advice on ways to revise and practise this part of the specification
- Lessons to be learnt in the Examiner's Report

Final Top Tips 3.15 – 3.25pm

- KEY POINTS: how to improve your final grade
- What students can do after today to boost their exam chances
- Top Ten Examiner Tips for success in English Literature

Bring the student revision experience in school, by booking a fully tailored version of this course or any other, for your students.

Our team are ready to work with you to create an outstanding day of revision and examiner advice, to ensure your students get the best results possible.

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AQA GCSE English Language: Achieving Grades 4 to 5

Online
Thursday 18 March 2021

CODE 8412

AQA GCSE English Literature: Achieving Grades 7 to 9

Online
Monday 22 March 2021

CODE 8415

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