

Student Revision Conference

AQA GCSE English Literature: Improving grades 4 to 5

CODE 9190

NEW PROGRAMME FOR 2023



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Manchester
Tuesday 14 February 2023

London
Thursday 02 March 2023

“ *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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ABOUT THIS CONFERENCE

This NEW AQA English Literature Student Conference focuses keenly on the students who are aiming to improve their grade from 4 to 5 at GCSE. The course will provide students with the skills they require to successfully answer the questions on Shakespeare, the 19th-century novel, Modern texts, Poetry and Unseen poetry. The day is fully interactive, with a range of activities, tasks and challenges for students throughout the day. Students will examine exam papers and responses to help them perform to their full potential in the summer exams. They will have the opportunity to ask questions.

- Gain first-hand guidance, advice and examples for maximising your grade 4-5 candidates in AQA GCSE English Literature.
- Each student receives student-friendly materials on the day and full conference presentations / follow-on materials as electronic resources post-conference. These materials are designed to allow students to understand and practise exam skills and gain the confidence to develop and expand their potential.
- The demands of the questions will be explained in student-friendly language for candidates who are striving to improve their grade from 4 to 5

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Liz Calcott is an experienced GCSE English teacher with twenty years' experience of teaching in schools and further education colleges. She is a senior examiner for the AQA exam board for both English Language and English Literature. She has led teams of examiners in GCSE Literature for the past eight years.

2nd Speaker – expert examiner and practitioner for AQA GCSE English Literature

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PROGRAMME

Welcome and Introduction	10.00 – 10.15am
Focusing on the writer not the characters or plot. This will transform students' answers and help them achieve a grade 5 or higher.	10.15 – 10.45am
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Analysing questions – what does 'How does...' mean?● Know your texts – key characters and themes● Talking about language and meaning● What is the right way to talk about context?● Writing about the writer's skills/methods not just the text● Building students' skills so that they can approach every question with confidence	
Morning break	10.45 – 11.00am
Paper 1: Shakespeare – Analysis not description – essential for grade 5 answers	11.00 – 11.45am
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Investigating past papers – what are the focus areas – themes/characters?● Analysing not just reading the extract● Why is this theme/character important?● Linking relevant context.● Having an opinion● ACTIVITY – Opportunity for students to question examiners on Shakespeare	
Paper 1: the 19th Century Novel – Selecting and exploring language used by the writer. Quotations and how to use them in a grade 5 answer.	11.45 – 12.30pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Investigating language used in a past paper question● Analysing the extract carefully and identifying key quotations● Linking key quotes to produce a more persuasive answer● How much quotation should be used?● How much focus should there be on the wider novel?● ACTIVITY: Looking at a grade 5 answer and sharing good work	
Lunch	12.30 – 1.00pm
Question Box	1.00 – 1.15pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● A chance to ask direct questions to the keynote speakers, with a prize awarded for the best question.	
Paper 2: Modern Texts – Using quotations and analysing key events in order to achieve grade 5	1.15 – 2.00pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Investigating past papers – what are the focus areas – themes/characters?● Analysing the extract carefully and deciding why the author might focus on a theme/character?● Quotation versus key moments/events in the text● How much should students write?● ACTIVITY: Having a view and supplying the evidence – a look at a level 5 answer	
Paper 2: Poetry Anthology – Developing comparative skills – comparing and contrasting techniques and ideas in a grade 5 answer	2.00 – 2.30pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Knowing the poems – how well do students need to know them?● Making comparisons – similarities and differences● Comparing poetic techniques and meanings● Planning an answer● ACTIVITY – Matching authors' techniques/meanings in poems using planning grids	
Paper 2: Unseen Poetry – giving students the skills to unlock an unseen text	2.30 – 3.00pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Reading and understanding the poem/s● Planning your answer using grids● How much to write. How many quotations to use● Developing students' skills to explore● ACTIVITY: Sharing key ideas from Lead Examiner reports	
Final Top Tips from the Experts	3.00 – 3.15pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 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	

STUDENT CONFERENCES YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN

AQA GCSE English Language: Grades 4-6

Manchester
Monday 06 March 2023

London
Monday 13 March 2023

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AQA GCSE English Language: Grades 8-9

Manchester
Tuesday 07 March 2023

London
Tuesday 14 March 2023

CODE 9189

AQA GCSE English Literature: Aiming for Grades 8-9

Manchester
Thursday 16 March 2023

London
Wednesday 29 March 2023

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