

PHHS English Department

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Revision Links

- Use these to help you with your homework and revision.
- Use them alongside your revision checklist to chart your progress with your knowledge, understanding and skills of each text, skill or question.
- Scroll down to find all the topics relevant for you.

Literature Paper 1

Language Paper 2

(Section A only)

'Macbeth'

Start with these (great for everyone):

Macbeth - GCSE English Literature - BBC Bitesize A comprehensive online revision guide.
GCSE English Literature podcasts - Shakespeare's Macbeth - BBC Bitesize BBC Bitesize Podcast: short episodes covering all aspects of the play. Listen and make notes.
Macbeth Shakespeare Learning Zone RSC website - top recommended source for knowledge of the play. Great for characters, themes and key moments in the play. Clips of key scenes in performance and analysis to go with them to get you thinking.
Educake - Online Formative Assessment for Homework and Classwork Lots on here - you can complete tasks on the play even if your teacher has not specifically set them for you.
William Shakespeare's 'Macbeth' - Detailed Analysis - YouTube Mr Bruff. Lots of revision videos so you can choose which ones are most helpful for you.
Macbeth Live Lesson 2023 Royal Shakespeare Company Live lesson on key scenes from the RSC.
About 'Macbeth' https://www.folger.edu/explore/shakespeares-works/macbeth/about-shakespeares-macbeth/ Information on context and witchcraft.
Macbeth: William Shakespeare & Macbeth Background SparkNotes Good for revision of context. Other aspects of the play here too, just click the links.
Macbeth - David Tennant - Daniela Nardini - 400th anniversary of the First Folio - HD Remastered 4K Free audio version of the entire play.

Want to push yourself further? Move on to these!

https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000mytn BBC Radio's 'In Our Time'. Really interesting for top grade thinking.
The Great Chain Of Being In Macbeth - YouTube Macbeth: The Great Illusion " Macbeth ": The Great Illusion on JSTOR

'Romeo and Juliet'

Start with these (great for everyone):

Romeo and Juliet - GCSE English Literature - BBC Bitesize A comprehensive online revision guide.
GCSE English Literature podcasts - Romeo and Juliet - BBC Bitesize BBC Bitesize Podcast: short episodes covering all aspects of the play. Listen and make notes.
Romeo and Juliet Shakespeare Learning Zone RSC website - top recommended source for knowledge of the play. Great for characters, themes and key moments in the play. Clips of key scenes in performance and analysis to go with them to get you thinking.
Educake - Online Formative Assessment for Homework and Classwork Lots on here - you can complete tasks on the play even if your teacher has not specifically set them for you.
Romeo and Juliet Live Lesson 2 April 2019 Royal Shakespeare Company Recorded live lesson on key scenes from the RSC.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MXG3sqeL-Lg&list=PLqGFsWf-P-cB7YAoARj6iAFCglAfy9aN2 Mr Bruff. Lots of revision videos so you can choose which ones are most helpful for you
Romeo and Juliet Folger Shakespeare Library Another great place to look for knowledge of key scenes and characters.
Romeo and Juliet: Study Guide SparkNotes Another great online revision guide.
Drama on 3 - Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet - BBC Sounds Free audiobook version of the complete play.

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BBC Radio 4 - In Our Time, Romeo and Juliet BBC Radio's 'In Our Time'. Really interesting for top grade thinking.
Love and Hatred https://www.rsc.org.uk/romeo-and-juliet/past-productions/neil-bartlett-2008-production/article-love-and-hatred
Romeo and Juliet revision notes: Romeo and Juliet - high level revision notes.docx
Shakespeare's Star-Crossed Lovers https://www.jstor.org/stable/509718
The Religion of Love in Romeo and Juliet https://www.jstor.org/stable/2867455

'A Christmas Carol'

Start with these (great for everyone):

[A Christmas Carol - GCSE English Literature - BBC Bitesize](#)

A comprehensive online revision guide

[Revise A Christmas Carol with BBC Bitesize GCSE podcasts - BBC Bitesize](#)

BBC Bitesize Podcast: short episodes covering all aspects of the novel. Listen and make notes.

[Charles Dickens: 'A Christmas Carol' Analysis - YouTube](#)

Mr Bruff. Lots of revision videos so you can choose which ones are most helpful for you.

[Educake - Online Formative Assessment for Homework and Classwork](#)

Lots on here - you can complete tasks on the novel even if your teacher has not specifically set them for you.

[A Christmas Carol: Study Guide | SparkNotes](#)

Another great online revision guide.

[BBC Sounds - A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens](#)

Free audio version of the whole novel.

Want to push yourself further? Move on to these!

[In Our Time - A Christmas Carol - BBC Sounds](#)

BBC Radio's 'In Our Time'. Really interesting for top grade thinking.

'Frankenstein'

Start with these (great for everyone):

[Frankenstein - GCSE English Literature - BBC Bitesize](#)

A comprehensive online revision guide

[GCSE English Literature podcasts - Frankenstein - BBC Bitesize](#)

BBC Bitesize Podcast: short episodes covering all aspects of the novel. Listen and make notes.

[Mary Shelley's 'Frankenstein' Detailed Analysis - YouTube](#)

Mr Bruff. Lots of revision videos so you can choose which ones are most helpful for you.

[Educake - Online Formative Assessment for Homework and Classwork](#)

Lots on here - you can complete tasks on the novel even if your teacher has not specifically set them for you.

[Frankenstein: Study Guide | SparkNotes](#)

Another great online revision guide.

[Frankenstein Revision Pack](#)

Revision booklet

[BBC Sounds - Frankenstein by Mary Shelley - Available Episodes](#)

Link to the free BBC audiobook version.

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[In Our Time - Frankenstein - BBC Sounds](#)

BBC Radio Four's 'In Our Time'. Really interesting for top grade thinking.

English Language Paper 2

Section A (Reading)

Overview and General Tips

- You need to know **strategy** for this exam.
- You need to know **how long to spend** on each question, what **skills** the examiner is looking for, the best way to **structure your paragraphs** and some key **sentence starters** to use.
- You can learn all this!
- Use the PHHS English Department Language Paper 2 Section A revision **flashcards** to learn this strategy.
- There are other excellent resources out there: **Mr. Bruff's revision videos** are very helpful, and **BBC Bitesize** also has some good tips. We have selected the best of these for you - see below.
- The best way to revise is to practise this strategy using a **past paper** (you will be set one for homework).
- **Work through the paper step by step, question by question.** Methodically learning and applying the **strategy** will allow you to learn how to answer each question effectively and within the time.
- **Use a timer.** Set it for each question and try to stick to the timings: using the time wisely is absolutely crucial to your success as you don't want to run out of time to answer Q4, which is worth the most marks in section A.
- Have your PHHS English Department Language Paper 2 Section A revision **flashcards** handy to help you with strategy and sentence starters.
- If you have your notes from Y10 have these handy too.
- **Complete the questions in order (1-4).** The paper has been designed to build your knowledge of the sources through Q1, Q2 and Q3 so that by the time you get to Q4 you have a strong understanding of the sources and the writers' ideas.

Recommended revision strategy and process

Reading the sources

- Read the strategy on our flashcards for reading the sources.
- **Timer: 15 minutes.** Read the 2 sources and follow the steps.
- **Note:** You do not have to spend the whole 15 minutes on this. If you finish reading within 15 minutes (and have read the two sources thoroughly and carefully and are confident you have understood them well), you can get started on the questions.

Q1 - Four True Statements

- Read the strategy on our flashcards for Q1.
- Watch the Mr. Bruff video on Q1 [AQA English Language Paper 2 Question 1 \(2026 Onwards\)](#).
- **Timer: 5 minutes.** Apply the strategy and answer the question.

Q2 - Synthesis (comparison) and Inference

- Read the strategy on our flashcards for Q2.
- Watch the Mr. Bruff video on Q2 [2026 AQA English Language Paper 2 Question 2: Your Guide](#)
- **Timer: 10 minutes** (adjust for extra time if you have it - see flashcards). apply the strategy and answer the question.

Q3 - Language Analysis

- Read the strategy on our flashcards for Q3.
- Watch one of the Mr. Bruff videos on Q3 and look at the information on BBC Bitesize.
- [Language - Language and structure - AQA - GCSE English Language Revision - AQA - BBC Bitesize](#)
- [AQA English Language Paper 2 Question 3 \(2026 Onwards\)](#) - Mr. Bruff (shorter video)
- [AQA English Language 2026: Paper 1 Question 3](#) - Mr. Bruff (more detailed video)
- **Timer: 15 minutes** (adjust for extra time if you have it - see flashcards). apply the strategy and answer the question.

Q4 - Comparing writers' feelings / viewpoints / perspectives

- Read the strategy on our flashcards for Q4.
- Watch the Mr. Bruff video on Q4 [2026 AQA English Language Paper 1 Question 4: Your Guide](#).
- **Timer: 20 minutes** (adjust for extra time if you have it - see flashcards). apply the strategy and answer the question.