





## Curriculum Overview for English

### Year 8

<p><b>Term 1: Trials and Trenches</b></p> <p><b>Substantive Knowledge:</b></p> <p>First World War The Trenches Narrative Structure Creation and development of characters Historical Fiction PTSD Stage directions Script Structure Presentation of social classes Application of comedy The context of war Poetic structure and form Background of different war poets Empathy for others Writer's intentions Contextual viewpoints Identifying quotations Selecting judicious quotations Embedding quotations The purpose of quotations Language Techniques Understanding how the context of a text effects the meaning Identifying poetic techniques in a range of poems.</p>		<p>Individuals read aloud Whole-class reading Echo reading Group reading Reading texts to develop a love of reading Re-reading for comprehension and development Carefully selecting evidence from a text Book recommendation: 'My Boy Jack'- David Haig</p>			
		 <p>PTSD/Shell Shock Trenches Soldier Structure Stage Directions Dialogue Monologue Quotation Reconnaissance Attack Defend Patriotic Reality Comrades Hypocritical Resentment Trauma Abandoned Deceive Hero Coward Purgatory Ravage</p>	<p>Analyse Evaluate Explain Challenge Characterise Trauma Artillery Trench foot Disease Morale Comradery Futile Monotony Stanza Caesura Enjambment Ambiguity Symbolism Juxtaposition Executed Psychological Antithesis Expectation</p>		
<p><b>Disciplinary Knowledge:</b></p> <p>Analyse Explain Character analysis Poetry writing Comparison analysis Description Selecting evidence from texts SPAG PETAZE Writing Method Identify, Apply, Embed</p>		<p><b>Guiding Question 1:</b> Explain how Sheriff presents the different social class backgrounds of the characters.</p>	<p><b>Guiding Question 2:</b> Explain how Owen presents the psychological effects of war.</p>	<p><b>Guiding Question 3:</b> How does comedy make characters more relatable?</p>	<p><b>Topic Question:</b> Compare how the poets present the different effects of war.  Explain how Sheriff presents the horrors of war in 'Journey's End.'</p>
		<p>Weekly homework set to complement the scheme for learning; adding depth and breadth to knowledge and experience during lessons.</p>			