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Blood Brothers



While you have studied Shakespeare's plays throughout KS3, 'Blood Brothers' is a modern play.

The writer uses the play to explore ideas about the class system in the UK and the nature / nurture debate, as well as concepts such as envy and choosing to do what is right.

The modern play provides an inspirational springboard for students to find their voice for the rhetoric unit, whilst themes of social injustice prepare students for tragedy in a multicultural British setting.

Small Island



This moving play covers The Windrush; colonialism and multi-cultural Britain; modern dramatic conventions; character and monologue; foreshadowing; the form of a tragedy; AC Bradley's lectures on tragic character.

You will be introduced to literary criticism in preparation for work at Key Stage 4.

Diversity of race, culture and gender feed into a range of poems from different cultures and times. You will become more independent in your analysis and start to see similarities and differences.

Poetry (Journeys)

Poems from

across centuries

and cultures will

introduce a range

of contextual

knowledge. The

independence

and confidence

gained will help

you to explore

mature themes

and complex

language in great

speeches.



Having completed an introduction to poetry in Year 7, you will now be developing your understanding of how to analyse language, structure and form in poetry in more depth.

With greater independence you will analyse unseen texts, develop a personal response and consider others' interpretations. Rhetoric

You will learn to appreciate the spoken word as an art form, and see how speeches are expertly crafted and delivered by people in power.

You will construct and deliver your own speech, and learn how to keep an audience engaged through the use of rhetorical devices and paralinguistics.

Blood Brothers Small Island Poetry Rhetoric Linking in context Understand Develop your Features of a modern · To read with • Forms of poetry: Understand what Language techniques contextual influences · Analysing structural and showing an sensitivity and apply sonnets, narrative rhetoric is and how creative / play Themes such as understanding of the criticism to a text that link to authorial poems, dramatic choices rhetorical features imaginative side relationships, conflict UK in the 1950's to Development of intention monologues Comparing how can be used for a Appreciate the 1980's. Justify your written Language techniques themes are variety of purposes beauty of language and consequences. character, themes. Development of Rhyme and rhythm Analysing language dramatic responses and offer presented Analyse how rhetoric Improve your Understanding the techniques. is used effectively characters as play conventions alternative Approaching unseen communication skills: • Gain confidence in progresses. Understanding the interpretations poet's message. texts and planning listening and presenting in front of responding to writer's message. essays. others. questions. Areas of strength: Areas of strength: Areas of strength: Areas of strength: Areas to develop: Areas to develop: Areas to develop: Areas to develop: