

Rationale for A Level English Literature Teacher Assessments 2021

This year students will receive grades awarded and determined by teachers, with students only assessed on what they have been taught and based on the standard at which they are performing.

Fairness and flexibility are at the heart of this plan. Teachers have been asked to draw on a range of evidence when determining grades, including the optional use of questions provided by exam boards, as well as mock exams, coursework, or other work completed as part of a student's course, such as essays or in-class tests.

The Process for awarding a Teacher Assessment Grade (TAG) for A Level English Literature at KNKS:

- Throughout the A Level English Literature course, the English faculty keeps records of data in order to calculate performance. We will draw on this holistic overview, including in-class assessments, as part of our teacher judgements.
- The exam board, AQA, advised in March 2021 that the Non-exam Assessment (NEA) would not be formally moderated but could still be counted as a part of teacher judgements
- Our students' NEAs, worth 20% of the A Level, will be moderated externally by an experienced A Level teacher and the portfolio mark will be used as part of teacher judgements

TAG Grades 2021

The range of evidence used ensures that all Assessment Objectives are covered. Furthermore, all syllabus components will be considered when calculating the TAG. The weighting will be as follows:

Component	Expected Evidence	Type of Assessment	Overall weighting to final TAG
NEA	One critical exploration of a collection of poetry One critical exploration of prose	NEA	20%
Holistic overview	Holistic overview of performance across the course, with reference to a range of classwork and in-class assessments.	Classwork and in-class assessments	30%
Paper 1: Aspects of Tragedy 50 marks Section B: <i>Othello</i>	19 th May 2021 In-class Assessment on 'Othello' Section A	Structured Assessment	25%
Paper 2: Social and Political Protest 50 marks Section C Students may write about: <i>William Blake</i> <i>The Handmaid's Tale</i> <i>The Kite Runner</i>	April 2021 Structured Assessment, Paper 2 Section C	Structured Assessment	25%