Year 8: English	Curriculum Intent: Students will read Animal Farm, alongside which they will read and write a range of non-fiction texts related to it. They will read Shakespeare's tragedy Romeo and Juliet from which they will read and write a range of fiction texts. Students will also complete a unit of work on poetry from other cultures where they will read and analyse poetry and write their own poetry. Through these units of work, students will work out the meaning of words from the context and be introduced to challenging vocabulary about writers' methods and genres. Students will explain and discuss their understanding of what they have read, drawing inferences and justifying these with evidence, focusing particularly on evaluating how authors use non-fiction genres to communicate ideas and opinions. Students will continue to develop grammar, spelling and punctuation skills by looking at how writers manipulate grammar and punctuation to enhance meaning and by applying accurate grammar, spelling and punctuation to their own non-fiction writing. Students will retrieve information from non-fiction texts. They will summarise main ideas, identifying key details and using quotations for illustration and compare and evaluate non-fiction texts on the same topic.				
	Term 1 Romeo and Juliet Creative Writing Genre	Term 2 Animal Farm The Art of Rhetoric	Term 3 Non-Fiction Extracts Culture Poetry		
Reading and Writing Focus Speaking and Listening Focus	Reading: Analysis of the extract and the theme of love Writing: Describe the picture or write about something strange or unusual.	Reading: Animal Farm – comprehension of plot on level of a story about animals. Add context to see George Orwell's message is connected to Russian Revolution. Language analysis using extracts from texts. Writer's purpose linked to adverts – persuasion. Writing: Persuasive Writing Speech.	Reading: Analysing poetry of different cultures. Writing: Writing a travel blog on a holiday or local area.		
Sequence of Learning - Key Questions	 Recap Shakespeare Historical context The prologue Whoosh activity Fate and foreshadowing Romeo and unrequited love How is Romeo presented? Introducing genre Fantasy genre writing Dystopia Dystopian writing Detective fiction 		 Why we travel Key features of travel writing Language analysis Writing to describe What is culture PowWow Drum Magnificent Ball Presents from my aunt in Pakistan Island Man 		

Romeo as fickle Love Tybalt Comparing love Juliet and marriage Friar Lawrence and Nurse Juliet's refusal The plan Feud ending Extracts and themes Assessment prep Assessment Feedback	 Different detectives Detective writing Sci fi futuristic setting Alien writing Space and new planet Adventure genre Treasure Island Setting in Adventure Horror introduction Horror characters Tension Assessment prep Assessment Feedback 	 Presentation of Snowball, Napoleon & Squealer. Matching characters to historical figures. Propaganda Posters. Democracy vs. Dictatorship. Snowball vs. Napoleon. Decline of Animalism. Presentation of Animalism. Proor Snowball. Stalin's Purges Satire Tyranny vs. Equality. Comrade Napoleon. Writing speeches. Exploring Boxer. Animal Farm Drama. Chapter 10 – conclusion. 	 Writing to persuade Travel blogs Destination punctuation Sentence types Retention quiz Writing a review PPE Evaluating travel writing Australia Blackpool Feedback from speech
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Vocabulary	Naïve, historical, patriarchy, fickle, fate, unrequited love, toxic masculinity, frivolous, nemesis, meddling, irony, reckless, feud, genre, foreshadowing, comedy, tragedy, Elizabethan, Jacobean, aside, soliloquy, stage directions, pathos, monologue, prologue.	Genre, dystopia, corruption, oppression, totalitarian, alien, horror, metaphorical.	Treason, treacherous, moral, tyrant, authority, strategies, leader, corruption, privileges, pathos, propaganda, commandments, revolution, allegory, cynical, cult of personality.	Credibility, influence, manipulate, ethos, logos, pathos, imperative, righteous, moral.	Purpose, audience, document, first person, dialogue, plan, reader, grammar, sentence types, travel agency, blogs, review, tone, sarcasm.	Culture, literal, metaphorical, figurative, suggests, implies, highlights, conveys, teaches, warns, compares, might, perhaps, symbolizes, symbolically, ground, tenor, vehicle, metaphor, simile, rhyme, rhythm, symbolism, caesura, end stopping,
Grammar, punctuation and spelling	 Nouns – formation of nouns using prefixes Spelling – word families Conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time/place/cause Verbs – use of present perfect tense Correct use of speech punctuation 		 Nouns – formation of nouns using prefixes Spelling – word families Conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time/place/cause Verbs – use of present perfect tense Correct use of speech punctuation How to perform, pause and speak clearly in a speech. 		enjambment. Nouns – formation of nouns using prefixes Spelling – word families Conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time/place/cause Verbs – use of present perfect tense Correct use of speech punctuation Accurate style for the topic e.g. poem writing, travel blog.	

	MS1 and MS2 Assessment	MS1 and MS3	MS5 and MS6	MS5 and MS6	MS5 and MS6
	Reading: How does Shakespeare present the	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment	Assessment
	theme of love?	Reading Part 1:	Writing: Write a	Writing: Write a	Reading: Analysing
		Multiple choice	speech to be	travel blog of	poetry. Performing
Assessment		questions.	delivered to the	another place or	own created
(Related to mastery	MS5 and MS6 Assessment		class about social	local area.	poems.
grids)	Writing: Describe the picture or write about	Reading Part 2:	media (or a		
	something strange or unusual.	How does the	subject choice of		
		writer present Old	their own).		
		Major's			
		viewpoint?			