



Speaking and Listening

The focus this half term will be to be involved in discussions around topics from a range of multi-modal sources, looking to develop debating skills as well as active listening skills.

Guided Reading

We will look at a range of texts both fiction and non-fiction and look at language used. We will answer questions using inference, deduction and referral skills.



Year 8 autumn 1 Poetry focus

Cross curricular links

Reading is a cross school priority. Links to History and PGW with crime.

National Tutoring agency

The NTA will carry out interventions focusing on phonics to help close gaps.

Literacy

We will be looking at *The Highwayman* by Alfred Noyes. We will focus on the poem's format, the language used before focusing on characters before writing our own prose and balanced arguments from our knowledge of the poem.



Spelling Punctuation and Grammar

We will build on prior learning embedding practice through games focusing on descriptive sentences as well as sentence structure and expanding sentences.

