



# Year 7 English



| Task                       | Details                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Points |
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| Library                    | Find the oldest book in the library then find the newest book in the library. Take a picture of both. Which one would you prefer to read? Write a 100 word justification explaining your decision.                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 5pts   |
| Poetry                     | Find a poem that you love. Make a copy of the poem and annotate it - this should identify 3-4 techniques - your annotations should reflect on how these methods have impacted you as a reader.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 5pts   |
| Poetry                     | Find a poem by a Poet Laureate, past or present written for our nation. Write a 100 word reflection about the key message in the poem.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 5pts   |
| Poetry                     | Find a poem from the 21st Century, the 20th Century and the 19th Century. Can you link them by theme? Write a 150 word reflection summarising your ideas.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 10pts  |
| Boy in the Striped Pyjamas | Read 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' by John Boyne. Write a 150 word review of the book. This should include reflections about contextual links between the book and the time in which it was set.                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 10pts  |
| Collage                    | Make a collage of the themes and issues in a text that you have studied this year. This should include images and key quotations that are particularly relevant to the themes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 10pts  |
| Lit in Colour              | Find and read a book from the 'Lit in Colour' reading list:<br><br><a href="https://www.penguin.co.uk/articles/company/LIC-reading-lists/years-7-9.html">https://www.penguin.co.uk/articles/company/LIC-reading-lists/years-7-9.html</a><br><br>Write a 150 word review or make a video review - this should include reflections about key themes, plot, characters, narrative voice and any relevant contextual factors. | 10pts  |

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| Carnegie Shortlist        | <p>Read a book from the Carnegie Shortlist:<br/> <a href="https://carnegies.co.uk/">https://carnegies.co.uk/</a></p> <p>Write a 150 word review or make a video review - this should include reflections about key themes, plot, characters, narrative voice and any relevant contextual factors.</p> | 10pts |
| Dream diary               | Keep a dream diary for a month. Use it to help you write creatively by producing either a piece of detailed description or the opening to a story.                                                                                                                                                    | 10pts |
| Shakespeare               | Read 'Shakespeare' by Bill Bryson and write a 200 word summary of your findings.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 15pts |
| Creative writing          | Enter a creative writing competition and let your teacher know all the details, including a copy of your piece of writing.                                                                                                                                                                            | 15pts |
| Smart phones              | 'Smart phones have made us less smart.' Write a feature article explaining your views on this statement. This should be well researched (perhaps taking into account the recent ban) and include a range of rhetorical features.                                                                      | 15pts |
| The Girl of Ink and Stars | Read 'The Girl of Ink and Stars' Kieran Millward-Hargrave and write a 200 word review or make a 2-3 minute video review.                                                                                                                                                                              | 15pts |
| Oliver Twist              | Read 'Oliver Twist' by Charles Dickens and write a 200 word review or make a 2-3 minute video review.                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 20pts |