

O Level Literature in English (Syllabus 2010)

Set Texts for Examination in 2011

Unless otherwise indicated, students may use any edition of the set text, provided it is not an abridgement or simplified version.

* text examined also in June and November 2012

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Section A: DRAMA

** Arthur Miller

Death of a Salesman

Charlotte Keatley

My Mother Said I Never Should

* William Shakespeare

Much Ado About Nothing

William Shakespeare

Richard III

* R. C. Sherriff

Journey's End

Section B: POETRY

** Alfred, Lord Tennyson

The following poems:

'Mariana'

'The Lady of Shalott'

'Ulysses'

extract from 'Maud' final section of Part II: from
'Dead, long dead' to 'Is enough to drive one
mad'

from 'In Memoriam A.H.H':

VII ('Dark house, by which once more I
stand')

XXIV ('And was the day of my delight')

L ('Be near me when my light is low')

LXVII ('When on my bed the moonlight falls')

CVI ('Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky')

CXV ('Now fades the long last streak of
snow')

'Crossing the Bar'

These appear in the Tennyson section of *Three Victorian Poets*, ed. Jane Ogborn (Cambridge University Press ISBN 0-521-62720-9 / ISBN 978-0521627108).

* from *Songs of Ourselves: The University of Cambridge International Examinations Anthology of Poetry in English* (Cambridge University Press
ISBN-10: 8175962488
ISBN-13: 978-8175962484)

from Part 3 (Poems from the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries) : Poems 96 to 109 inclusive, i.e. the following fourteen poems:
Thomas Hardy, 'The Voice'
Allen Curnow, 'Time'
Mathew Arnold, 'Dover Beach'
Adrienne Rich, 'Amends'
Ted Hughes, 'Full Moon and Little Frieda'
Gillian Clarke, 'Lament'
John Keats, 'The Grasshopper and The Cricket'
Vachel Lindsay, 'The Flower-fed Buffaloes'
Boey Kim Cheng, 'Report to Wordsworth'
John Clare, 'First Love'
Dennis Scott, 'Marrysong'
George Gordon Lord Byron, 'So, We'll Go No More A-Roving'
Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Sonnet 43 ('How do I love thee? Let me count the ways!')
Edna St Vincent Millay, Sonnet 29 ('Pity me not because the light of day')

Section C: PROSE

** Emily Brontë
Anita Desai
* Bessie Head
** F Scott Fitzgerald
* Edith Wharton
* from *Stories of Ourselves: The University of Cambridge International Examinations Anthology of Short Stories in English* (Cambridge University Press:
ISBN-10: 052172791X
ISBN-13: 978-0521727914)

Wuthering Heights
Games at Twilight, and Other Stories
When Rain Clouds Gather
The Great Gatsby
Ethan Frome
The following ten stories:
Charles Dickens, 'The Signalman'
Charlotte Perkins Gilman, 'The Yellow Wall Paper'
Arthur Conan Doyle, 'How It Happened'
Ray Bradbury, 'There Will Come Soft Rains'
John Wyndham, 'Meteor'
Alex La Guma, 'The Lemon Orchard'
Bernard MacLaverty, 'Secrets'
Borden Deal, 'The Taste of Watermelon'
Jhumpa Lahiri, 'The Third and Final Continent'
Tim Winton, 'On Her Knees'

Note: the edition of Shakespeare which will be used by the Examiners will be the Alexander (Collins) edition, unless otherwise stated. It is not intended, however, that this should be regarded as the prescribed edition. Candidates may use any editions for study, unless otherwise stated.