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## 9E Class - Explorer Curriculum - Subjects/Lessons weekly

### AQA: Step Up to English Assessment Objectives:

- **AO1:** Read and understand a range of texts: identify and interpret explicit and implicit information and ideas.
- **AO2:** Explain and comment on how writers use language and structure to achieve effects and influence readers, using relevant subject terminology to support views.
- **AO3:** Compare writers’ ideas and perspectives across two or more texts.
- **AO4:** Evaluate texts and support this with appropriate textual references.
- **AO5:** Communicate clearly, effectively and imaginatively, selecting and adapting tone, style and register for different forms, purposes and audiences. Organise information and ideas, using structural and grammatical features to support coherence and cohesion of texts.
- **AO6:** Use vocabulary and sentence structures for clarity, purpose and effect, with accurate spelling and punctuation.
- **AO7:** Demonstrate presentation skills.
- **AO8:** Listen and respond appropriately to spoken language, including to questions and feedback on presentations.
- **AO9:** Use spoken English effectively in speeches and presentations.

| Year | 2025 – 2026<br>Autumn 1   | 2025 – 2026<br>Autumn 2  | 2025 – 2026<br>Spring 1   | 2025– 2026<br>Spring 2  | 2025 – 2026<br>Summer 1  | 2025 – 2026<br>Summer 2   |
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|      | <p><b>Topic:</b></p> <p><b>Component 1</b><br/><b>Topic 1: Holidays</b></p> <p><b>Live test taken in Y11</b></p> <p><b>Year 9 Speaking Assessment</b><br/>practice.</p> <p>Introduction to ELC:<br/>Explain the components to the learners and what topics they will be</p> | <p><b>Topic:</b></p> <p><b>Component 1</b><br/><b>Topic 2: Style</b></p> <p><b>Live test taken in Y11</b></p> <p><b>Year 9 Speaking assessment</b><br/>practice.</p> <p><b>SOW Style</b></p> | <p><b>Topic:</b></p> <p><b>Component 2</b><br/><b>Topic 3: Dystopia</b></p> <p><b>Live test taken in Y11</b></p> <p>No Speaking Assessment for <b>C2 T3.</b></p> <p>Introduction to ELC<br/>Component 2.</p> <p><b>SoW Dystopia.pdf</b></p> | <p><b>Topic:</b></p> <p><b>Component 2</b><br/><b>Topic 3: Dystopia</b></p> <p><b>Live test taken in Y11</b></p> <p>No Speaking Assessment for <b>C2 T3.</b></p> <p><b>SoW Dystopia.pdf</b></p> | <p><b>Topic:</b></p> <p><b>Component 2</b><br/><b>Topic 4: Science fiction</b></p> <p><b>Live test taken in Y11</b></p> <p>No Speaking Assessment for <b>C2 T4</b></p> <p><b>SOW Science Fiction</b></p> | <p><b>Topic:</b></p> <p><b>Component 2</b><br/><b>Topic 4: Science fiction</b></p> <p><b>Live test taken in Y11</b></p> <p>No Speaking Assessment for <b>C2 T4.</b></p> <p><b>SOW Science Fiction</b></p> |

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| <p><b><u>Suggested Key Questions:</u></b><br/> <b><u>Spoken Language Task:</u></b><br/> This task is based around where you live. Your teacher/tutor has asked you to work together to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of a staycation (holiday in the UK). Your teacher would like you to discuss how to present your area as a place where people might come for a staycation</p> | <p><b><u>Suggested Key Questions:</u></b><br/> <b><u>Spoken Language Task:</u></b><br/> This task is based around helping to set up a fashion show in which all the clothing has been either reused, repurposed or revamped. Your teacher/tutor has asked you to work together to discuss how you can get everyone involved.</p> <p>-What does [word from text] mean?</p> | <p><b><u>Suggested Key Questions:</u></b><br/> -Can you identify differences and similarities between text a and text b?<br/> -How was the narrator feeling in text a?<br/> - Why has [word from text] been used in the text?<br/> -How is the text interesting/ keeps the reader engaged?<br/> -What does [word from text] mean?</p> | <p><b><u>Suggested Key Questions:</u></b><br/> -Can you identify differences and similarities between text a and text b?<br/> -How was the narrator feeling in text a?<br/> - Why has [word from text] been used in the text?<br/> -How is the text interesting/ keeps the reader engaged?<br/> -What does [word from text] mean?</p> | <p><b><u>Suggested Key Questions:</u></b><br/> -Can you identify differences and similarities between text a and text b?<br/> -How was the narrator feeling in text a?<br/> - Why has [word from text] been used in the text?<br/> -How is the text interesting/ keeps the reader engaged?<br/> -What does [word from text] mean?</p> | <p><b><u>Suggested Key Questions:</u></b><br/> -Can you identify differences and similarities between text a and text b?<br/> -How was the narrator feeling in text a?<br/> - Why has [word from text] been used in the text?<br/> -How is the text interesting/ keeps the reader engaged?<br/> -What does [word from text] mean?</p> |
| <p><b><u>Suggested Reading/ Resources:-</u></b><br/> Tourism Information Centre<br/> Leaflets of local attractions</p>   | <p><b><u>Suggested Reading/ Resources:</u></b><br/> Music books.<br/> Music clips.<br/> Music magazines.<br/> Music fact sheets.</p>  | <p><b><u>Suggested Reading/ Resources:</u></b><br/> The Complete Robot – Isaac Asimov.</p>  | <p><b><u>Suggested Reading/ Resources:</u></b><br/> The Complete Robot – Isaac Asimov.</p>  | <p><b><u>Suggested Reading/ Resources:</u></b><br/> Boffin Boy Series – David Orme<br/> Into the Scanner – Elizabeth Dale</p>   | <p><b><u>Suggested Reading/ Resources:</u></b><br/> Boffin Boy Series – David Orme<br/> Into the Scanner – Elizabeth Dale</p>   |

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|  | <p>Leaflets of local accommodation<br/>Leaflets of local eateries<br/>Laptops<br/>Traffic light cards<br/>Mini whiteboards &amp; pens<br/>Tents<br/>Envelops<br/>Holiday brochures<br/>Tourism teacher</p> | <p>Music websites.<br/>Music adverts.<br/>Music posters.</p>   | <p>The Hunger Games<br/>Suzanne Collins.<br/>Brother in the Land<br/>Robert Swindells.<br/>The Maze Runner<br/>James Dashner.</p>  | <p>The Hunger Games<br/>Suzanne Collins.<br/>Brother in the Land<br/>Robert Swindells.<br/>The Maze Runner<br/>James Dashner.</p>  | <p>Starchasers Series – David Orme<br/>Crash Land Earth – Jonny Zucker<br/>Comets – David Orme<br/>UFOs – David Orme<br/>Manga – David Orme<br/>Great Journeys – David Orme<br/>Life in Space – Helen Orme</p>                                   | <p>Starchasers Series – David Orme<br/>Crash Land Earth – Jonny Zucker<br/>Comets – David Orme<br/>UFOs – David Orme<br/>Manga – David Orme<br/>Great Journeys – David Orme<br/>Life in Space – Helen Orme</p>                                   |
|  | <p><b><u>Suggested School Trips:</u></b><br/>-Tourist information centre<br/>-Local holiday attractions<br/>-Train trip</p>  | <p><b><u>Suggested School Trips:</u></b><br/>- Trip to a fashion show<br/>Trip to a second-hand shop<br/>Talk from a recycling plant<br/>Talk from fast fashion stores<br/>Talk from a second-hand store</p> | <p><b><u>Suggested School Trips:</u></b><br/><i>Into Film Festival</i> takes place in November; to book Free Cinema visits, visit the <a href="#">website</a>.<br/><i>Into Film Free Film Club</i> <a href="#">registration</a> to receive or request films.<br/>Field trips to local areas or places linked to space – Historical prisons, escape rooms, The National Space Centre, science museums, factory visit.</p> | <p><b><u>Suggested School Trips:</u></b><br/><i>Into Film Festival</i> takes place in November; to book Free Cinema visits, visit the <a href="#">website</a>.<br/><i>Into Film Free Film Club</i> <a href="#">registration</a> to receive or request films.<br/>Field trips to local areas or places linked to space – Historical prisons, escape rooms, The National Space Centre, science museums, factory visit.</p> | <p><b><u>Suggested School Trips:</u></b><br/><i>Into Film Festival</i> takes place in November; book Free Cinema visits.<br/><i>Into Film Free Film Club</i> registration to receive or request films.<br/>Trip to a film studio or theatre.</p> | <p><b><u>Suggested School Trips:</u></b><br/><i>Into Film Festival</i> takes place in November; book Free Cinema visits.<br/><i>Into Film Free Film Club</i> registration to receive or request films.<br/>Trip to a film studio or theatre.</p> |

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| Links to Gatsby Benchmarks: | 4. Linking curriculum learning to careers: What jobs can include our hobbies? | 4. Linking curriculum learning to careers: What jobs can I have working in the music industry? | 4. Linking curriculum learning to careers: Working as a police officer/ journalist/ within the judiciary system. | 4. Linking curriculum learning to careers: Working as a police officer/ journalist/ within the judiciary system. | 4. Linking curriculum learning to careers: Working with animals. | 4. Linking curriculum learning to careers: Working with animals. |
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