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# HYCS English

## Year 7

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# COURSE OUTLINE- 2 YEAR KS3


## Year 7:

- Descriptive writing
- A Christmas Carol
- Poetry
- Literary Shorts
- Non-Fiction reading and writing
- The Tempest

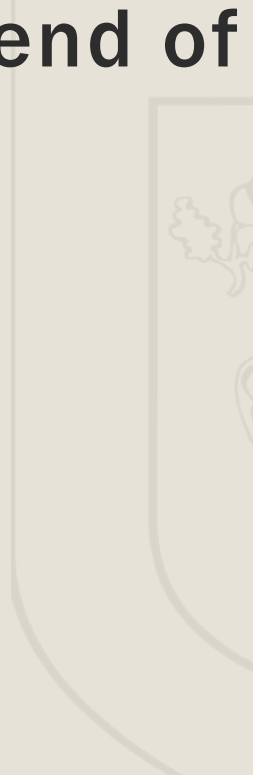
## Year 8:

- Culture and Identity
- Dickens
- The Boy in Striped Pyjamas
- Journalism
- Twelfth Night
- Speeches

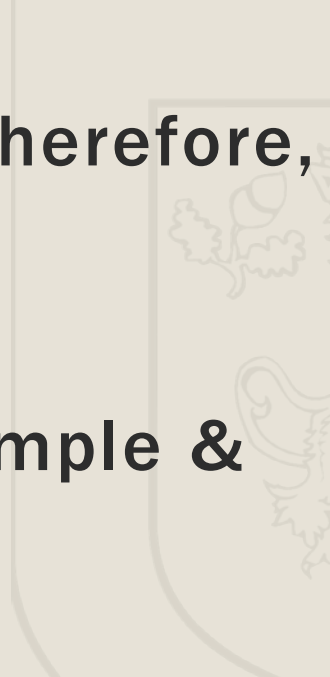
# RECENT CURRICULUM CHANGES

- **Complete Shakespeare plays**
  - **Traditional texts (including C19)**
  - **Love of reading**
  - **Core skills for success at GCSE**
  - **Seminal world literature**
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# ASSESSMENTS

- Comment marked midpoint and end of term assessments
  - End of year exams
  - Mixture of self, peer and teacher assessment
  - Marked against KS4 outcomes
  - Think pink... go green...
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# WHAT DO STUDENTS NEED TO DO?

- Paragraph
  - Connectives in sentences (because, therefore, moreover)
  - Accurate spelling and punctuation
  - Different types of sentences used (simple & compound)
  - Quotations used (where appropriate)
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# TO ACHIEVE A GRADE 5:

- Paragraph
- Detail within extended sentences (simple, compound and complex)
- More ambitious vocabulary
- Sentences varied and starting with adverbs (-ly words)
- A variety of accurate punctuation including speech marks, brackets, colons and semi-colons
- Use useful quotations to explain points (where appropriate)

# HOMework

- **Set twice a week**
  - **7A- Tuesday and Friday**
  - **7B- Tuesday and Thursday**
- **Homework should take between 20-30 minutes, as per the school homework policy.**
- **Learning spellings may make up one of the tasks (weekly test in lesson)**
- **Students should be reading each week as part of ongoing homework**

# SPELLZONE

[www.spellzone.com](http://www.spellzone.com)



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Spellzone website. At the top, the logo "spellzone" is displayed with the tagline "The online English spelling course". Navigation links include "Learn Spelling", "Teach Spelling", "Spelling Course", "Word Lists", "Games", "Contact", and "Accessibility". There are "Sign up" and "Log in" buttons in the top right corner. Below the navigation is a large image of students looking at a computer screen. Overlaid on this image is a teal text box that reads: "Spellzone is an online English spelling course with thousands of pages of teaching, tests and games". Below this is a call to action: "Try Spellzone for free today!". Two buttons are present: "Learn Spelling" for "Single, family and home school users" and "Teach Spelling" for "School and other educational users", both with "Start now" links. To the right, a testimonial section titled "People say..." features a quote: "I have enjoyed using it with my pupils..... they love your site. In fact they wanted to work through break time as well! High praise indeed." attributed to a "High School Teacher, UK". At the bottom, there are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, Google+, and YouTube, and a small preview of a "Introduction to Spellzone" document.


We recommend 20 minutes per week to help students understand the spelling groups and to practise their spellings.



# PROBLEMS WITH SPELLZONE LOG IN

- Email Arthur Brownett (I.T technician)
- [abrownett@chenderit.northants.sch.uk](mailto:abrownett@chenderit.northants.sch.uk)



A collage of vintage items including an open book, a handwritten letter, a photograph, a fountain pen, and a decorative box. The background is a light beige color with a faint floral pattern on the right side.

Do you love reading and writing?

Are you interested in entering  
your stories and poems into  
writing competitions?

Year 7 and 8 Creative Writing Club

Every other Tuesday (blue week), in the library  
- 3.05 -4.05 pm.