Year 12 transition English Literature

Week 3 and 4

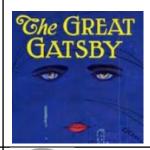
Continuing Othello and introducing The Great Gatsby and love poetry



Read this article which introduced the novel you will study in Year 12, The Great Gatsby by F Scott Fitzgerald:

'Why Gatsby is so great.'

Time 1/2 hour.



Read Act 4, Scene 1,2 and 3 of Othello.

Write an Act/Scene summary as you read.

The standard text is available on the MIT website here: Othello.

This version has an easy English translation side by side with the Shakespeare.

Modern Othello



Watch

Watch the trailer for 'O' - a 2001 adaptation of Othello in a modern setting. Make a list of

as many similarities and differences between Othello and this film as you can. Why do you think the story of Othello may still be relevant today?

https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=Bz1NI OjkJi0

Time: 1hr

Research

The Jazz Age, the Roaring Twenties and the Prohibition Era are all important terms for reading and

understanding The Great Gatsby.

Research each idea and create a mindmap detailing what you have found out.

Time: 2hrs

Read poet Gillian Clarke's short pieces about the language of poetry. You need to log in to use the website. User name is HFCSStudent, password is @HFCS.

Rhythm Rhyme Syllable Sonnets

Time: 2hrs



Have a go at playing the popular afternoon word game Countdown using this

website.

The one with the music is here: https://www.gandilawrence.co.uk/games /countdown/countdown.htm

Time: as long as you like



Complete

Use RSC's Shakespeare Learning zone on Othello. Complete and read Level

2: Story/Characters/Language/Staging. Make notes, follow activities and make sure you are keeping notes. Watch the video on actors exploring the key scenes.

https://www.rsc.org.uk/shakespeare-lear ning-zone/othello#

Time: 1hr approx

Read Act 5, Scene 1 and 2 of Othello. Write an Act/Scene summary as you read. The standard text is available

on the MIT website here: Othello. This version has an easy English translation side by side with the Shakespeare. Modern Othello

Time: 2hrs



Complete

Pick a Shakespeare sonnet, annotate it and write a short explanation of it. You can pick any sonnet you like from the

website below - there are 154. Shakespeare's sonnets.

Time: 1hr



Complete

Use RSC's Shakespeare Learning zone on Othello. Complete and read Level 3: Story/Characters/Language/Staging.

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Time: 2hrs



Time: 1hr

Research the American Dream: its origins; how it has changed over time; how prevalent it was in the 1920s.

Use an online study guide (such Cliff Notes) to find out what significance the American Dream has in The Great Gatsby.

Time: 1hr