

Assessment Objectives for the new English GCSEs

- **AO1**: **identify** and **interpret** explicit and implicit **information** and ideas
- select and **synthesise evidence** from different texts

- **AO2**: Explain, comment on and **analyse** how writers use **language** and **structure** to achieve effects and influence readers, using relevant **subject terminology** to support their views

- **AO3**: **Compare** writers' **ideas and perspectives**, as well as how these are conveyed, across two or more texts

- **AO4**: **Evaluate** texts **critically** 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**: Candidates must use a range of **vocabulary** and **sentence structures** for clarity, purpose and effect, with accurate **spelling** and **punctuation**. (This requirement must constitute 20% of the marks for each specification as a whole.)