

Your child is about to start a new two year GCSE course in English Language and English Literature. Due to the nature of the new qualification that your child is working towards, we have decided that in order to best support your child's learning, they would benefit from purchasing their own personal copies of the English Literature texts they will be studying. This will allow them constant and continuous access to the texts throughout the programme of study, allow them to make personalised notes in their texts throughout the course, as well as allowing them to revise successfully for exams in both Year Ten and Eleven.

It is important for us to ensure that all students in Year Ten have the same copies of texts, to aid teaching. Therefore we have taken advantage of discounts available to schools from publishers and will be selling all three set texts, for a discounted price of £15.00. This includes a Shakespeare play, a 19th century novel and a contemporary play. *The Education Reform Act, 1988, requires the college to point out that there is no obligation to contribute to the cost of texts and students will not be treated differently according to whether or not their parents have contributed. I must, however, notify you that texts cannot be provided unless a sufficient number of parents are prepared to voluntarily contribute.*

Students will need to purchase these texts as soon as possible in the Autumn term. Texts will be available for purchase from student reception during the school day after that. **Please include payment by cash or cheque in an envelope labelled clearly with your child's full name and tutor group.** Cheques will need to be made payable to **LCC Soar Valley Allowances.**

Once texts are bought it is important that students do not lose their copies of the text, as they will need them throughout the two year qualification. It is vital that your child's copies of the text are named clearly in pen and are kept safe. We will be unable to replace copies of texts without payment.