

**St Aidan's and St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form**

**Y11 to Y12 Transition Work**

<b>Subject:</b> English Literature
<p><b>Topic(s):</b> Tragedy, The Great Gatsby and Evaluative Essay Writing An EMC collection of tasks to prepare you as the best student of A Level Literature you can be!</p>
<p><b>Independent Learning Task(s) to Complete:</b></p> <p>Begin to research the tragic genre. Buy/Borrow a copy of F. Scott Fitzgerald's <i>The Great Gatsby</i> and read it. <i>This is not a text you will be examined on but it is a BEAUTY and will be an excellent example of a tragedy for you to bear in mind as you begin to learn more and more about the genre. Reading texts within the genre but outside of the exam paper is essential for any successful student of A Level Literature.</i></p> <p>Write an essay of no more than 1000 words including quotations in response the question below:  "Gatsby is an attractive and appealing character" Say how far you agree with this statement.</p> <p>Further preparation: Use the EMC "Making the Leap" pack to create a <b>portfolio of evidence</b> of your preparedness for the course. The tasks are varied and wide-ranging but all relate closely to the A Level course and will provide you with understanding, experience and resources that are certain to improve your progress across the two-year course.</p>
<p><b>How it links to the Specification:</b></p> <p>The first task acquaints you with the all-important first genre of the course (and the basis of all of year 12) Responding to statements in an evaluative way relates both to GCSE questions and A Level questions and so bridges the two Key Stages well.</p> <p>The portfolio of evidence will broaden your awareness of poetry, drama and novels as well as encourage you to watch and evaluate texts in performance. Everything that you produce for your portfolio, as a result of the prompts in the EMC pack will support you in at least one aspect of the A Level course.</p>
<p><b>Resources (include any hyperlinks):</b></p> <p>A Copy of F. Scott Fitzgerald's <i>The Great Gatsby</i> EMC "Making the Leap" saved along with this article</p> <p>(You will need to email for a copy of the EMC guide. Please contact <a href="mailto:crome@sjfchs.org.uk">crome@sjfchs.org.uk</a> if you are a St John Fisher student or <a href="mailto:f.trought@staidans.co.uk">f.trought@staidans.co.uk</a> for St Aidan's. Use the subject line 'transition resources' and mention which A Level course you are taking in September.)</p>
<b>Additional Information:</b>
<b>Deadline:</b> September