# Macbeth - Knowledge Organiser

Context

**King James I** - James I had been James VI of Scotland before he succeeded to the English throne in 1603. In focusing on Macbeth, a figure from Scottish history, Shakespeare paid homage to his king's Scottish lineage. Additionally, the witches' prophecy that Banquo will found a line of kings is a clear nod to James' family's claim to have descended from the historical Banquo.

Witchcraft and Daemonologie - King James was convinced that a group of witches were plotting to bring about his death and played an active role in the North Berwick witch trials. He later published *Daemonologie* in 1597. Charges of witchcraft continued in Great Britain, with Scotland in particular experiencing a number of witch hunt crazes throughout the 17th century.

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	Plot	Key quotes	malevolent, mutinous, powerful, scheming, vulnerable
	Act 1	Witches: Fair is foul and foul is fair (1.1)	Banquo: devoted, intuitive, loyal,
	Macbeth and Banquo meet witches, previous Cawdor executed, Lady M reads letter then manipulates husband, Duncan arrives	Macbeth: Stars, hide your fires/Let not light see my black and deep desires (1.4) Lady Macbeth: Unsex me here (1.5)	trustworthy, virtuous <b>Duncan</b> : benevolent, faithful, honest, naïve, sincere
	Act 2	Macbeth: Is this a dagger which I see before me? (2.1)	Macduff: devout, fervent, heroic,
	Macbeth contemplates murder, sees dagger, Kills Duncan, Malcolm flees, Macbeth crowned.	Lady Macbeth: My hands are of your colour but I shame to wear a heart so white (2.2)	merciless, patriotic, unwavering Witches: corrupt, ignoble, manipulative, sinister, subversive
	Act 3	Macbeth: Full of scorpions is my mind dear wife (3.2)	The audience feel Astonished
ontent	Banquo suspects Macbeth, Banquo murdered but Fleance escapes, Banquo's ghost appears at banquet	Macbeth: Be innocent of the knowledge, dearest chuck (3.2) Blood will have blood (3.4)	Bewildered Disgusted
ont	Act 4	Witch: By the pricking of my thumbs/something wicked this way comes (4.1)	Disquieted Distressed
C	Macbeth goes back to witches, Macduff's family murdered while Macduff is in England, Malcolm tests Macduff's loyalty	Malcolm: This tyrant whose sole name blisters our tongue was once thought honest (4.3)	Nonplussed Perturbed
	Act 5	Lady Macbeth: All the perfumes of Arabia will not sweeten this little hand (5.1)	Scandalised Surprised
	Lady M sleepwalks then commits suicide, Macbeth prepares for battle, Macduff kills Macbeth, Malcolm becomes king	Macbeth: Life's but a walking shadow (5.5) Macbeth: I bear a charmed life (5.8)	Unnerved Unsettled
	Dramatic devices	Themes	Motifs
	Soliloquy – One character speaking to the audience Dramatic irony – Audience knows more than characters Hamartia – Fatal flaw which leads to tragic hero's downfall Hubris – Excessive pride Peripeteia – Sudden reversal of fortune	Fate and free will – 'If chance will have me king, why chance may crown me' Ambition – 'vaulting ambition' Appearance and reality – 'look like th' innocent flower, but be the serpent under't' Supernatural – 'double double toil and trouble'	Blood Sleep and dreams Light and dark Nature

Vocabulary

**Macbeth**: ambitious, courageous, deceitful, impulsive, ruthless,

treasonous, tyrannical, zealous

Lady Macbeth: cunning,

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	Plot	Key quotes	Key Characters (AO1)	Key Concepts (AO2)	Context & Writer's Intentions (AO3)
Act 1	The witches plan to meet Macbeth returning from battle and promise him he will be King. Macbeth tell his wife who instantly starts plotting King Duncan's murder. Macbeth isn't sure and has to be convinced by Lady Macbeth. She calls him a coward and accuses him of being weak. Macbeth agrees to the plan.	'Fair is foul, foul is fair' 'O Valiant Cousin' 'Stay you imperfect speakers' 'Leave all the rest to me' 'look like the innocent flower but be the serpent under't'	<u>Macbeth</u> The protagonist. He is the tragic hero with the fatal flaw of ambition that leads to his death.	<u>The Chain of Being</u> The belief that God set out a social order that should be maintained. God – King - Nobles	<u>William Shakespeare</u> A playwright who wrote 'Macbeth' during the reign James I. He was part of the King's Men and his plays had to interest the King,
Act 2	Macbeth debates killing the King and wrestles with his conscience. He hallucinates a dagger. Macbeth kills the King and instantly suffers from guilt and nightmares. Lady Macbeth frames the guards for the murder. Macduff discovers the body and suspects Macbeth. King Duncan's sons feel fearing they will be next. Macbeth is crowned King and Macduff refuses to attend.	'Is this a dagger?' 'Macbeth does murder sleep' 'Had he not resembled my father as he slept, I had done't' 'O horror, horror, horror' 'There's daggers in men's smiles'	<u>Lady Macbeth</u> An ambitious woman who convinces Macbeth to kill the king.	<u>The Divine Right of Kings</u> The King is chosen by and answerable to God. The right to rule comes directly from God.	<u>James I</u> King at the time 'Macbeth' was written. Fascinated by witches and feared regicide after the Gunpowder Plot.
Act 3	Banquo fears that Macbeth has done something terrible in order to become King. In fear, Macbeth decides to have Banquo and his son Fleance murdered. Macbeth knows he is a true and honest person and sees him as a threat. Banquo is killed but Fleance escapes. Macbeth is starting to struggle with the guilt of his actions. At a banquet, Banquo's ghost appears to haunt Macbeth.	'Our fears stick deep in Banquo' 'We have scotch'd the snake, not kill'd it' 'O full of scorpions is my mind' 'make faces vizards to our hearts' 'Don't shake thy gory locks at me'	<u>Banquo</u> Macbeth's friend and a brave and noble character. He is the opposite of Macbeth.	<u>Regicide</u> The murder of a king.	<u>Witchcraft</u> The audience believed strongly in witchcraft and feared it. The blame witches for illnesses, the weather and unnatural acts.
Act 4	Macbeth re-visits the witches and they tell him that no man of woman born shall harm Macbeth and that he is safe until Birnam Wood comes to Dunsinane Castle. They also tell him to beware of Macduff. Macduff flees to England to speak with Malcolm, the true King of Scotland. Macbeth has Macduff's family murdered. Macduff is told the news and he puts his own grief aside and swears to restore order in Scotland.	'By the pricking of my thumbs, Something wicked this way comes' 'O hell-kite! All? What, all my pretty chickens' 'Bring thou this fiend of Scotland and myself; Within my sword's length'	<u>The Witches</u> Plot evil against Macbeth and bring chaos to the natural order. The have superior knowledge and power over others.	<u>Gender</u> The play explores ideas about what it means to be masculine and feminine according to the expectations at the time.	Writer's intentions (AO3) Shakespeare wrote the play to appeal to the interests of James I. He wrote the play as a moral message to people about disrupting the natural order and the
Act 5	Lady Macbeth and her guilt leads her to insanity. She dies. Outside the castle, the English army and Malcolm prepare to attack whilst wearing pieces of Birnam Wood. Macbeth prepares to defend the castle but remembers the prophecy. Knowing he has lost; Macbeth resolves to die fighting. Macduff and Macbeth finally face each other and fight. Macduff kills Macbeth as he was not born of woman. Malcolm is crowned King and order is restored in Scotland.	'Out, damned spot! out, I say!' 'I cannot taint with fear' 'I'll fight till from my bones my flesh be hacked' 'Turn thee hell hound' 'dead butcher and fiend like Queen'	<u>Macduff</u> The foil to Macbeth. He is loyal to Scotland and leads the crusade against Macbeth to restore peace.	<u>Supernatural</u> The powers of evil were believed to be real and therefore engaging for the audience.	consequences of unchecked ambition. He wrote the play as a tribute to James I and his interests. The links with Scotland celebrates James I's lineage as the former King of Scotland.

Subject Terminology (AO2)			
Simile	A comparison made using <i>like</i> or <i>as</i> .		
Metaphor	When you say something is something else.		
Juxtaposition	Two contrasting ideas placed together for effect.		
Repetition	The recurrence of an idea throughout a text.		
Personification	Human features given to something non-human.		
Foreshadowing	A warning or indication of a future event.		
Symbols – objects/characters used to represent ideas.			
Dagger	Symbolises the act of murder.		
Animals	Used as bad omens. For example, the 'Raven' before the murder of the King. The serpent = corruption. Scorpion = poison and guilt.		
Light and Dark	Represent good and evil throughout the play.		
Blood	Symbolises murder, guilt and violence.		
Water	Symbolises purification and cleansing of bad deeds. For example, when Lady Macbeth asserts after the murder that 'a little water clears us of this deed'.		
Sleep	Symbolises innocence and peace of mind. When Macbeth does 'murder sleep' this leads to his nightmares and the end of his peace.		
Ghosts	Symbolise the past coming back to haunt Macbeth.		
The weather	Pathetic fallacy is used to reflect the political and corruption in the Macbeth.		

Themes (AO2)		
Guilt	Fate/Free will	
Power	Supernatural	
Deception	Tyranny	
Weakness	Cruelty	
Responsibility	Duty	
Loyalty	Inevitability	
Nature	Ambition	
Insanity	Bravery	
Kingship	Courage	
Good vs Evil	Masculinity	
Time	Fear	
Revenge	Control	
Evil	Reality	
Death	Violence	

Features of a Play (AO2)			
Act	A way to divide a play.		
Scene	A section of an act.		
Stage	Instructions in a play directing the		
Directions	movement or action.		
Soliloquy	Where a character speaks their		
	thoughts/feelings aloud alone on stage.		
Aside	A passage in a play that is to be heard		
	by the audience but unheard by the		
	other characters in the play.		
Dramatic Irony	Where the audience have more		
	knowledge that the characters.		
Features of a Tragedy (AO1)			
Tragic end	A character with a fatal flaw.		
A Hero/tragic hero	Fate		
Internal conflict	Human suffering		

#### Power and Conflict Poetry – Knowledge Organiser

Remains by Simon Armitage		Exposure by Wilfred Owen		Poppies by Jane Weir	
Themes: Conflict, Suffering, Reality of War	Tones: Tragic, Haunting, Anecdotal	Themes: Conflict, Suffering, Nature, Reality of War, Patric	otism Tones: Tragic, Haunting, Dreamy	Themes: Bravery, Reality of War, Suffering, Childhood	Tones: Tender, Tragic, Dreamy, Bitter
Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context	Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context	Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context
-Written to coincide with a TV documentary about	- "These are poems of survivors – the damaged,	-Speaker describes war as a battle against the weather	-Written in 1917 before Owen went on to win the	-A modern poem that offers an alternative	-Set around the time of the Iraq and Afghan wars, but
those returning from war with PTSD. Based on	exhausted men who return from war in body but	and conditions.	Military Cross for bravery, and was then killed in battle	interpretation of bravery in conflict: it does not focus	the conflict is deliberately ambiguous to give the poem
Guardsman Tromans, who fought in Iraq in 2003.	never, wholly, in mind." Simon Armitage	-Imagery of cold and warm reflect the delusional mind	in 1918: the poem has authenticity as it is written by	on a soldier in battle but on the mother who is left	a timeless relevance to all mothers and families.
-Speaker describes shooting a looter dead in Iraq and	-Poem coincided with increased awareness of PTSD	of a man dying from hypothermia.	an actual soldier.	behind and must cope with his death.	-There are hints of a critical tone; about how soldiers
how it has affected him.	amongst the military, and aroused sympathy amongst	-Owen wanted to draw attention to the suffering,	- Of his work, Owen said: "My theme is war and the	-The narration covers her visit to a war memorial,	can become intoxicated by the glamour or the military:
-To show the reader that mental suffering can persist	the public – many of whom were opposed to the war.	monotony and futility of war.	pity of war".	interspersed with images of the soldier's childhood	"a blockade of yellow bias" and "intoxicated".
long after physical conflict is over.			-Despite highlighting the tragedy of war and mistakes	and his departure for war.	
			of senior commanders, he had a deep sense of duty:		
			"not loath, we lie out here" shows that he was not		
			bitter about his suffering.		
Language	Form and Structure	Language	Form and Structure	Language	Form and Structure
-"Remains" - the images and suffering remain.	-Monologue, told in the present tense to convey a	-"Our brains ache" physical (cold) suffering and mental	-Contrast of Cold>Warm>Cold imagery coveys	-Contrasting semantic fields of home/childhood ("cat	-This is an <b>Elegy</b> , a poem of mourning.
-"Legs it up the road" - colloquial language = authentic	flashback (a symptom of PTSD).	(PTSD or shell shock) suffering.	Suffering>Delusions>Death of the hypothermic soldier.	hairs", "play at being Eskimos", "bedroom") with	-Strong sense of form despite the <b>free verse</b> , stream of
voice	-First four stanzas are set in Iraq; last three are at	-Semantic field of weather: weather is the enemy.	-Repetition of "but nothing happens" creates circular	war/injury ("blockade", bandaged", "reinforcements")	consciousness addressing her son directly – poignant
-"Then he's carted off in the back of a lorry" -	home, showing the aftermath.	-"the merciless iced east winds that knive us" -	structure implying never ending suffering	-Aural (sound) imagery: "All my words	-No rhyme scheme makes it melancholic
reduction of humanity to waste or cattle	-Enjambment between lines and stanzas conveys his	personification (cruel and murderous wind); sibilance	-Rhyme scheme ABBA and hexameter gives the poem	flattened, rolled, turned into felt" shows pain and	-Enjambment gives it an anecdotal tone.
-"he's here in my head when I close my eyes / dug in	conversational tone and gives it a fast pace, especially	(cutting/slicing sound of wind); ellipsis (never-ending).	structure and emphasises the monotony.	inability to speak, and "I listened, hoping to hear	-Nearly half the lines have caesura – she is trying to
<b>behind enemy lines</b> " – metaphor for a war in his head;	when conveying the horror of the killing	-Repetition of pronouns 'we' and 'our' - conveys	-Pararhymes (half rhymes) (" <b>nervous / knife us</b> ") only	your playground voice catching on the wind" shows	hold it together, but can't speak fluently as she is
the PTSD is entrenched.	-Repetition of 'Probably armed, Possibly not" conveys	togetherness and collective suffering of soldiers.	barely hold the poem together, like the men.	longing for dead son.	breaking inside.
-"his bloody life in my bloody hands" – alludes to	guilt and bitterness.	-'mad gusts tugging on the wire' – personification	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	-"I was brave, as I walked with you, to the front	-Rich texture of time shifts, and visual, aural and touch
Macbeth: Macbeth the warrior with PTSD and Lady				<b>door</b> ": different perspective of bravery in conflict.	imagery.
Macbeth's bloody hands and guilt.				···· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Charge of the Light Brigade by Alfred, Lord T	ennyson	Bayonet Charge by Ted Hughes		War Photographer	
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Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context	Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context	Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context
- Published six weeks after a disastrous battle against	-As Poet Laureate, he had a responsibility to inspire the	-Describes the terrifying experience of 'going over the	-Published in 1957, but most-likely set in World War 1.	-Tells the story of a war photographer developing	-Like Tennyson and Ted Hughes, Duffy was the Poet
the Russians in the (unpopular) Crimean War	nation and portray the war in a positive light:	top': fixing bayonets (long knives) to the end of rifles	-Hughes' father had survived the battle of Gallipoli in	photos at home in England: as a photo develops he	Laureate.
-Describes a cavalry charge against Russians who shoot	propaganda.	and leaving a trench to charge directly at the enemy.	World War 1, and so he may have wished to draw	begins to remember the horrors of war – painting a	-Duffy was inspired to write this poem by her
at the lightly-armed British with cannon from three	-Although Tennyson glorifies the soldiers who took	-Steps inside the body and mind of the speaker to	attention to the hardships of trench warfare.	contrast to the safety of his dark room.	friendship with a war photographer. She was intrigued
sides of a long valley.	part, he also draws attention to the fact that a	show how this act transforms a soldier from a living	-He draws a contrast between the idealism of	-He appears to be returning to a warzone at the end of	by the challenge faced by these people whose job
-Of the 600 hundred who started the charge, over half	commander had made a mistake: "Someone had	thinking person into a dangerous weapon of war.	patriotism and the reality of fighting and killing. ("King,	the poem.	requires them to record terrible, horrific events
were killed, injured or taken prisoner.	blunder'd".	-Hughes dramatises the struggle between a man's	honour, human dignity, etcetera")	-Duffy conveys both the brutality of war and the	without being able to directly help their subjects.
-It is a celebration of the men's courage and devotion	-This was a controversial point to make in Victorian	thoughts and actions.		indifference of those who might view the photos in	-The location is ambiguous and therefore universal:
to their country, symbols of the might of the British	times when blind devotion to power was expected.	-		newspapers and magazines: those who live in comfort	("Belfast. Beirut. Phnom Penh.")
Empire.				and are unaffected by war.	
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-"Into the valley of Death": this Biblical imagery	-This is a ballad, a form of poetry to remember	"The patriotic tear that brimmed in his eye Sweating	-The poem starts 'in medias res': in the middle of the	"All flesh is grass": Biblical reference that means all	-Enjambment – reinforces the sense that the world is
portrays war as a supremely powerful, or even	historical events – we should remember their courage.	like molten iron": his sense of duty (tear) has now	action, to convey shock and pace.	human life is temporary – we all die eventually.	out of order and confused.
spiritual, experience.	-6 verses, each representing 100 men who took part.	turned into the hot sweat of fear and pain.	-Enjambment maintains the momentum of the charge.	"He has a job to do": like a soldier, the photographer	-Rhyme reinforces the idea that he is trying to bring
(laura of Dooth) and (laura the of the till)					, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
-"jaws of Death" and "mouth of Hell": presents war as	-First stanza tightly structured, mirroring the cavalry	"cold clockwork of the stars and nations": the soldiers	-Time stands still in the second stanza to convey the	has a sense of duty.	order to a chaotic world – to create an understanding.
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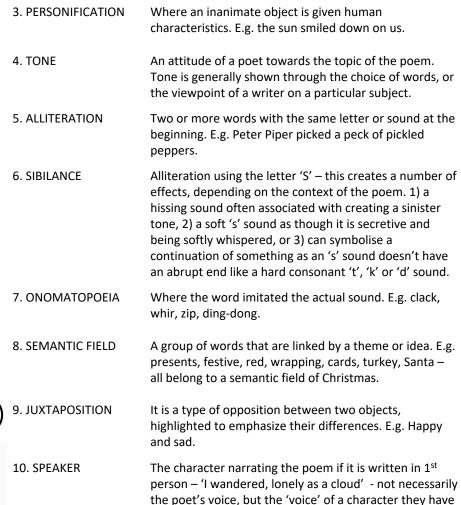
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	Tones: Ironic, rebellious	Themes: Power, Pride, Control, Jealousy, Status	Tones: Sinister, Bitter, Angry	Themes: Power of Nature, Control, Identity	Tones: Gentle, Flowing, Ethereal
Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context	Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context	Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context
-The narrator meets a traveller who tells him about a	-Shelley was a poet of the 'Romantic period' (late	-The Duke is showing a visitor around his large art	-Browning was a British poet, and lived in Italy. The	-Two different meanings of 'Tissue' (homonyms) are	-Imtiaz Dharker was born in Pakistan and grew up in
decayed stature that he saw in a desert.	1700s and early 1800s). Romantic poets were	collection and proudly points out a portrait of his last	poem was published in 1842.	explored: firstly, the various pieces of paper that	Glasgow. 'Tissue' is taken from a 2006 collection of
-The statue was of a long forgotten ancient King: the	interested in emotion and the power of nature.	wife, who is now dead. He reveals that he was	-Browning may have been inspired by the story of an	control our lives (holy books, maps, grocery receipts);	poems entitles 'The Terrorist at My Table': the
arrogant Ozymandias, 'king of kings.'	-Shelley also disliked the concept of a monarchy and	annoyed by her over-friendly and flirtatious behaviour.	Italian Duke (Duke of Ferrara): his wife died in	secondly, the tissue of a human body.	collection questions how well we know people around
-The poem is ironic and one big metaphor: Human	the oppression of ordinary people.	-He can finally control her by objectifying her and	suspicious circumstances and it was rumoured that she	-The poet explores the paradox that although paper is	US.
power is only temporary – the statue now lays crumbled in the sand, and even the most powerful	-He had been inspired by the French revolution – when	showing her portrait to visitors when he chooses.	had been poisoned.	fragile, temporary and ultimately not important, we allow it to control our lives.	-This particular poem also questions how well we understand ourselves and the fragility of humanity.
human creations cannot resist the power of nature.	the French monarchy was overthrown.	<ul> <li>He is now alone as a result of his need for control.</li> <li>The visitor has come to arrange the Duke's next</li> </ul>		-Also, although human life is much more precious, it is	understand ourselves and the fragility of numarity.
		marriage, and the Duke's story is a subtle warning		also fragile and temporary.	
		about how he expects his next wife to behave.			
Language	Form and Structure	Language	Form and Structure	Language	Form and Structure
-'sneer of cold command': the king was arrogant, this	-A sonnet (14 lines) but with an unconventional	-'Looking as if she was alive': sets a sinister tone.	-Dramatic Monologue, in iambic pentameter.	-Semantic field of light: ('Paper that lets light shine	-The short stanzas create many layers, which is a key
has been recognised by the sculptor, the traveller and	structure the structure is normal until a turning point	-'Will't please you sit and look at her?' rhetorical	-It is a speech, pretending to be a conversation – he	through', 'The sun shines through their borderlines',	theme of the poem (layers of paper and the creation of
then the narrator.	(a volta) at Line 9 (these words appear). This reflects	question to his visitor shows obsession with power.	doesn't allow the other person to speak!	'let the daylight break through capitals and	human life through layers)
-'Look on my works, ye Mighty, and despair.': 'Look' = imperative, stressed syllable highlights commanding	how human structures can be destroyed or decay. -The iambic pentameter rhyme scheme is also	-'she liked whate'er / She looked on, and her looks went everywhere.': hints that his wife was a flirt.	<ul> <li>-Enjambment: rambling tone, he's getting carried away with his anger. He is a little unstable.</li> </ul>	<b>monoliths'</b> ) emphasises that light is central to life, a positive and powerful force that can break through	-The lack of rhythm or rhyme creates an effect of freedom and openness.
tone;	disrupted or decayed.	-'as if she ranked / My gift of a nine-hundred-years-	-Heavy use of caesura (commas and dashes): stuttering	'tissue' and even monoliths (stone statues).	-All stanzas have four lines, except the final stanza
ironic – he is telling other 'mighty' kings to admire the	-First eight lines (the octave) of the sonnet: the statue	old name / With anybody's gift': she was beneath him	effect shows his frustration and anger: <b>'She thanked</b>	-'pages smoothed and stroked and turned': gentle	which has one line ( <b>'turned into your skin'</b> ): this line
size of his statue and 'despair', however they should	is described in parts to show its destruction.	in status, and yet dared to rebel against his authority.	men, – good! but thanked / Somehow – I know not	verbs convey how important documents such as the	focuses on humans, and addresses the reader directly
really despair because power is only temporary.	-Final two lines: the huge and immortal desert is	-'I gave commands; Then all smiles stopped together':	how'	Koran are treated with respect.	to remind us that we are all fragile and temporary.
'The lone and level sands stretch far away.': the	described to emphasise the insignificance of human	euphemism for his wife's murder.	-Dramatic Irony: the reader can read between the lines	-'Fine slips [] might fly our lives like paper kites': this	-Enjambment between lines and stanzas creates an
desert is vast, lonely, and lasts far longer than a statue.	power and pride.	-'Notice Neptune, though / Taming a sea-horse': he	and see that the Duke's comments have a much more	simile suggests that we allow ourselves to be	effect of freedom and flowing movement.
		points out another painting, also about control.	sinister undertone.	controlled by paper.	
Extract from The Prelude: Stealing the Boat by	y William Wordsworth	Storm on the Island by Seamus Heaney		London by William Blake	
Themes: Power of Nature, Fear, Childhood	<b>Tones:</b> Confident > Dark / Fearful > Reflective	Themes: Power of Nature, Fear	Tones: Dark, Violent, Anecdotal	Themes: Power, Inequality, Loss, Anger	Tones: Angry, Dark, Rebellious
Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context	Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context	Content, Meaning and Purpose	Context
-The story of a boy's love of nature and a night-time	-Published shortly after his death, The Prelude was a	-The narrator describes how a rural island community	-Seamus Heaney was Northern Irish, he died in 2013.	-The narrator is describing a walk around London and	-The poem was published in 1794, and time of great
adventure in a rowing boat that instils a deeper and fearful respect for the power of nature.	very long poem (14 books) that told the story of William Wordsworth's life.	prepared for a coming storm, and how they were confident in their preparations.	-This poem was published in 1966 at the start of 'The Troubles' in Northern Ireland: a period of deep unrest	how he is saddened by the sights and sounds of poverty.	poverty is many parts of London. -William Blake was an English poet and artist. Much of
-At first, the boy is calm and confident, but the sight of	-This extract is the first part of a book entitled	-When the storm hits, they are shocked by its power:	and violence between those who wanted to remain	-The poem also addresses the loss of innocence and	his work was influenced by his radical political views:
a huge mountain that comes into view scares the boy	'Introduction – Childhood and School-Time'.	its violent sights and sounds are described, using the	part of the UK and those who wanted to become part	the determinism of inequality: how new-born infants	he believed in social and racial equality.
and he flees back to the shore.	-Like Percy Shelley, Wordsworth was a romantic poet	metaphor of war.	of Ireland.	are born into poverty.	-This poem is part of the 'Songs of Experience'
-He is now in awe of the mountain and now fearful of	and so his poetry explores themes of nature, human	-The final line of the poem reveals their fear of	-The first eight letters of the title spell 'Stormont': this	-The poem uses rhetoric (persuasive techniques) to	collection, which focuses on how innocence is lost and
the power of nature which are described as 'huge and	emotion and how humans are shaped by their	nature's power	is the name of Northern Ireland's parliament. The	convince the reader that the people in power	society is corrupt.
mighty forms, that do not live like living men.'	interaction with nature.		poem might be a metaphor for the political storm that	(landowners, Church, Government) are to blame for	-He also questioned the teachings of the Church and
-We should respect nature and not take it for granted.			was building in the country at the time.	this inequality.	the decisions of Government.
Language -'One summer evening (led by her)': 'her' might be	Form and Structure	Language -'Nor are there trees which might prove company':	Form and Structure -Written in blank verse and with lots of enjambment:	Language	Form and Structure -A dramatic monologue, there is a first-person narrator
nature personified – this shows his love for nature.	-First person narrative – creates a sense that it is a personal poem.	the island is a lonely, barren place.	this creates a conversational and anecdotal tone.	<ul> <li>Sensory language creates an immersive effect: visual imagery ('Marks of weakness, marks of woe') and</li> </ul>	(1) who speaks passionately about what he sees.
-'an act of stealth / And <u>troubled pleasure</u> ': confident,	-The regular rhythm and enjambment add to the effect	-Violent verbs are used to describe the storm:	-'We' (first person plural) creates a sense of	aural imagery ('cry of every man')	-Simple ABAB rhyme scheme: reflects the unrelenting
but the oxymoron suggests he knows it's wrong;	of natural speech and a personal voice.	'pummels', 'exploding', 'spits'.	community, and 'You' (direct address) makes the	-'mind-forged manacles': they are trapped in poverty.	misery of the city, and perhaps the rhythm of his feet
forebodes the troubling events that follow.	-The extract can be split into three sections, each with	-Semantic field of war: 'Exploding comfortably' (also	reader feel immersed in the experience.	-Rhetorical devices to persuade: repetition ('In	as he trudges around the city.
-'nothing but the stars and grey sky': emptiness of sky.	a different tone to reflect his shifting mood:	an oxymoron to contrast fear/safety); 'wind dives and	-The poem can split into three sections:	every'); emotive language ('infant's cry of fear').	-First two stanzas focus on people; third stanza focuses
-'the horizon's bound, a huge peak, black and huge':	Lines 1-20: (rowing) carefree and confident	strafes invisibly' (the wind is a fighter plane); 'We are	Confidence: 'We are prepared:' (ironic)	-Criticises the powerful: <b>'each chartered street'</b> –	on the institutions he holds responsible; fourth stanza
the image of the mountain is more shocking (contrast).	Lines 21-31: (the mountain appears) dark and fearful Lines 32-44: (following days) reflective and troubled	<b>bombarded by the empty air'</b> (under ceaseless attack).	The violence of the storm: <b>'It pummels your house'</b>	everything is owned by the rich; 'Every black'ning church appals' - the church is corrupt; 'the hapless	returns to the people – they are the central focus.
<b>.</b>			Fear: 'it is a huge nothing that we fear.'		
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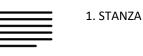
Where two things are compared using the words 'like' or

'as' E.g. Her eyes shone like two of the brightest stars in

One thing is directly referred to as if it is another thing.

E.g.Mr. Neck storms into class, a bull chasing thirty-three

### **POETIC STRUCTURE**





The grouping of lines in poetry. This is similar to paragraphs in prose. They can be different lengths.

The pattern of rhyme that comes at the end of each line or verse. E.g. the rhyme scheme ABAB means the first and third lines of a stanza, or the "A"s, rhyme with each other, and the second line rhymes with the fourth line, or the "B"s rhyme together. This can either create a pleasant and even, controlled structure, or can be used to make something stand out if it suddenly deviates from the rhyme scheme of the poem.

Rhythm can be described as the beat and pace of a poem. Rhythm is created by the pattern of stressed and unstressed syllables in a line or verse.

10 syllables in a line, one stressed and one unstressed. It mimics the dee-dum-dee-dum sound like a heartbeat E.g. 'Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?'

A syllable is a single, unbroken sound of a spoken or written word. Sometimes syllables are referred to as the 'beats' of spoken language. E.g. 'read-ing' is 2 syllables. This might be useful to comment on if there is a juxtaposition between

When the end of two lines of poetry, which come after one another, rhyme. E.g. 'For sweetest things turn sourest by their deeds; / Lilies that fester smell far worse than weeds.'

Poetry written with unrhymed lines (but almost always in iambic pentameter).

A change or shift in the tone or the idea of the poem. For instance, the first 10 lines may describe childhood as fun and full of mischief, then on line 11 there is a volta that begins to describe it as being restrictive.

When punctuation is used to cause a pause or end a sentence within a line of poetry, rather than at the end of the line.

When punctuation is used to end a sentence at the end of a line, and the next line begins a new sentence.

When there is no punctuation at the end of a line, and the sentence continues with no pause onto the next line or stanza.

4. IAMBIC PENTAMETER



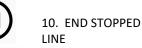


7. BLANK VERSE

3. RHYTHM



9. CAESURA



**11. ENJAMBEMENT** 

ANALYTICAL VERBS	
1. CONNOTE	to suggest (certain meanings, ideas, etc.) in addition to the literal meaning.
2. CONVEYS	gets across a message/ idea/ theory.
3. DEMONSTRATES	provides a clear explanation/ example.
4. DENOTE	to present something literally.
5. EMPHASISES	Draws special attention to something.
6. EVOKES	to make the reader feel an emotion.
7. HIGHLIGHTS	making something stand out.
8. ILLUSTRATES	creates a distinct image.
9. IMPLIES	suggests something beyond the obvious / literal – a synonym for 'connotes'
10. INDICATES	acts as a clear pointer or signpost.
11. PORTRAYS	shows or represents something / someone in a certain way.
12. PRESENTS	introduces as an idea.
13. REVEALS	makes a meaning/ interpretation clear.
14. SIGNIFIES	using a word or a sign to make the meaning clear.
15. CONTRASTS	is intentionally different to something else to highlight the difference

## **SELF QUIZZING**

1. POETIC TECHNIQUES 1-10
2. POETIC STRUCTURE 1-11

3. ANALYTICAL VERBS

4. ALL OF THE ABOVE

## How to use this knowledge organiser

- 1) Learn the KNOWLEDGE in the given section you can do this by repeating it out loud, copying it up, colour coding it, drawing an image to represent it in a new way... anything that helps you to learn it. Then PRACTISE this knowledge use look, cover, write, check to test yourself on the knowledge. Alternatively, cover the information and look at the icon / image, say the term out loud and uncover it to check if you were right, then say the definition out loud and uncover it to see if you were right.
- 2) In the self-quiz, write your answer to the best of your ability
- 3) After you have answered all of the questions, CHECK your answers against this knowledge organiser. If you got ALL of it right, code if G (green), for SOME of the answer right, code it A (amber), for an incorrect or missed answer, code if R (red).
- 4) For amber or red answers, use the knowledge organiser to add your corrections in the final column.
- 5) These corrections are things that you should now prioritise in your revision. To be really effective and independent, you should test yourself AGAIN on these things as part of your ongoing home learning and revision.