The Nobel School Sixth Form

Reading, Watching and Listening List Summer 2021

A Level English Language and Literature

To help you to make the best start in your new subject, and to help you explore different and enriching aspects of the subject, your teachers have prepared a Reading, Watching and Listening list. Please access all of these resources over the summer.

	Title	Description	Hyperlink
Read	The Roaring Twenties	This essay about the 1920s will give you a good foundation of background knowledge to help you better understand *The Great Gatsby*	https://ap.gilderlehrman.org/essays/roaring-twenties
Read	The Gothic – British Library Website	By reading around this section of the BL website, you can gain a thorough knowledge of the Gothic Genre – and this well help you when you come to study Dracula	https://www.bl.uk/romantics-and-victorians/themes/the-gothic
Read	Biography – F. Scott Fitzgerald	Read this biography to understand the life and times of the author of *The Great Gatsby*	https://www.britannica.com/biography/F-Scott-Fitzgerald
Watch	Performance of A Streetcar Named Desire	This performance of the play, filmed at the Shelton Theatre, will give you a good introduction to the characters, themes and plot.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=426hLDmC2Kw
Watch	Lincoln Live Lounge with Carol Anne Duffy	This Live Lounge features special guest and Visiting Artist at Lincoln, Dame Carol Ann Duffy, who recites selected works of her prize-winning poetry.	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n5PVSMfwW2U
Watch	Gothic lecture – David Punter	David Punter, expert in Gothic literature, gives a comprehensive lecture about Gothic literature	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gAQ-uBEy2iA
Listen	On the Road with Penguin Classics – podcast	Explore these podcasts to find out what readers thought about classic works of literature	https://podcasts.apple.com/gb/podcast/on-the-road-with-penguin-classics/id1549179379
Listen	Poetry Foundation Podcasts	Explore these podcasts to listen to a catalogue of poetry read aloud as well as various programmes about poetry	https://www.poetryfoundation.org/podcasts