



# Summer Transition Work

## English Language and Literature

### Hoe Valley Sixth Form

Dear student,

Over the summer we want you to complete the following tasks below to help you make a successful transition from GCSE to Sixth Form study. Our summer transition work includes the following 3 elements to help you feel like a pro when your sixth form journey begins!

## Preparation

Below are some tasks that will help to introduce you to knowledge required for the start of the course or to consolidate key GCSE level material.

1. Use this link to read about the conventions of transcripts: [How language is studied](#)
2. Choose a script from this link and annotate it noting how it is written to mimic natural conversation: [BBC scripts](#)
3. Read [The Yellow Wallpaper](#). Identify 10 points in the story where we are encouraged to feel sympathy for the narrator. Re-write a 300 word section of the story from the perspective of John considering his viewpoint and attitudes towards his wife.

## Reading

Below is some essential reading material or some titles that will help you to read around your subject and develop a deeper understanding of the subject, a crucial skill for success in the Sixth Form.

Use the Summer to read around the set texts you will be studying. Rather than reading the set texts, focus on other works by the authors and texts which link to the theme of society and the individual. Some suggested authors and titles are below.

- F Scott Fitzgerald - The Beautiful and the Damned, Short story collections
- Charles Dickens - Great Expectations
- Tennessee Williams - Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, The Glass Menagerie
- Margaret Atwood - The Hand Maid's Tale, Oryx and Crake, The Blind Assassin
- Angela Carter - The Bloody Chamber, Nights at the Circus
- Daphne Du Maurier - Rebecca, Jamaica Inn
- Sylvia Plath - The Bell Jar
- Ian McEwan - Atonement, Enduring Love
- Khaled Hosseini - The Kite Runner, A Thousand Splendid Suns
- George Orwell - Animal Farm, 1984

## Organisation

Below are tasks to help you to be organised with your work when you start in September. You will be completing a huge amount of work and to be successful you must keep on top of everything!

- Buy a diary so that you can make a note of independent prep work and deadlines
- Buy a folder and dividers for organising your work
- Purchase copies of the set texts - you will need The Great Gatsby and Othello for study in year 12