



Big Thinking – English

This year, students have worked towards their 2 GCSEs in English language and English literature. Over the summer there are a range of activities they should complete to develop these skills further

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- Choose a news story that is reported on over the summer. Research the topic and the story and then use your findings to write your own news article for a broadsheet newspaper. The story could be anything, from something local to a sporting event.
- Either using the same topic or something else that interests you, write a speech which would be suitable for a school assembly.

OR

- Write a letter to your local MP, and send it, sharing your views on a topic that affects you.
- Read a book, or even better, read 2. Write a book review of what you have read which could then be used in the school library to help others when choosing a book to read. If you would like some ideas of suitable books, please see your English teacher but a list is also available with these resources.
- Read other work by any of the writers you have studied. This could include:
 - William Golding
 - JB Priestley
 - Charles Dickens
 - William Shakespeare

- Any of the conflict and power poets

If you can, visit the Globe theatre to see how Shakespeare's plays would have been performed.

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