



Year 9 English Learning Journey

Poetry through the Ages

Summer Term

Core knowledge	Reference number
Medieval poetry: <i>Beowulf</i> and <i>The Canterbury Tales</i>	
Renaissance poetry: <i>Sonnet 18</i> and <i>On My First Sonne</i>	
Romantic poetry: <i>The Chimney Sweeper</i>	
Historical context: World War One	
World War One poetry: <i>The Dug Out</i> and <i>The Soldier</i>	
Biographical context: Ted Hughes	
World War One poetry: <i>Bayonet Charge</i>	
Non-fiction texts: Letters from the trenches	
Writing a letter	

Learning Checkpoints

LC Title	LC	DIRT
Compare and contrast how Blake presents the experience of the Chimney Sweep in both poems.		
Compare and contrast how the poets explore ideas about their experiences of war.		
How does Thomas Harold Watts use language to present the conditions in the trenches?		

Key Vocabulary	Page number
mortality	
innocence	
experience	
patriotism	
censorship	