

St Mary Redcliffe and Temple 6th Form

Year 11 into 12 transition task



Subject: English Literature and Language – *AQA exam board*

SMRT 6th Form takes students from a wide range of schools, who have studied a variety of GCSE syllabuses. These activities should prepare all students.

Students will study an anthology of texts on the city of Paris, as well as poetry by Donne and the novel, *The Lovely Bones*.

To ensure you are ready to fully access the A Level Syllabus you should attempt these tasks:

Section A - Essential

Find out about the French Revolution – how it started, key events and what happened afterwards (*listen to **BBC Sounds The Real Dictators- Napoleon** for an excellent podcast and overview*)

Section B – Desirable

Read *The Flea* by John Donne - Find out what a literary conceit is and write a short essay how John Donne has used one here.

Section C – Challenge

Find out modern beliefs about Paris and Parisians – stereotypes, reality and connotations of the city.

To be fully prepared for the course:

You will need to buy a copy of **The Lovely Bones – Alice Sebold (Picador)**