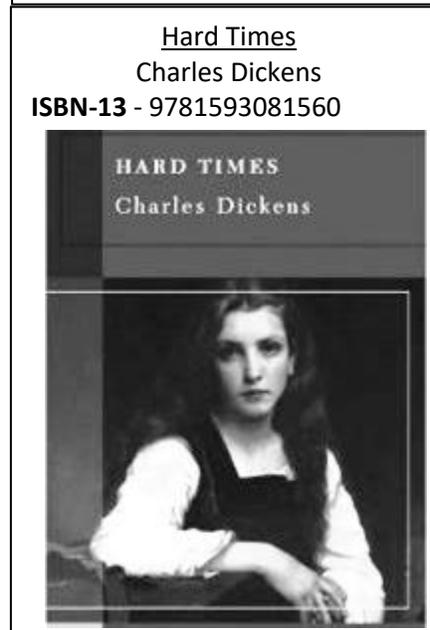
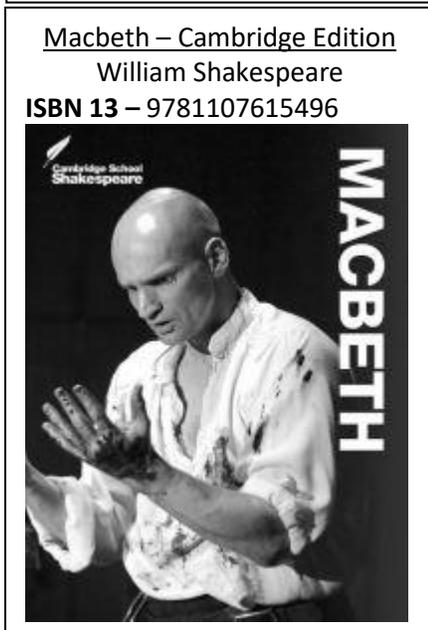
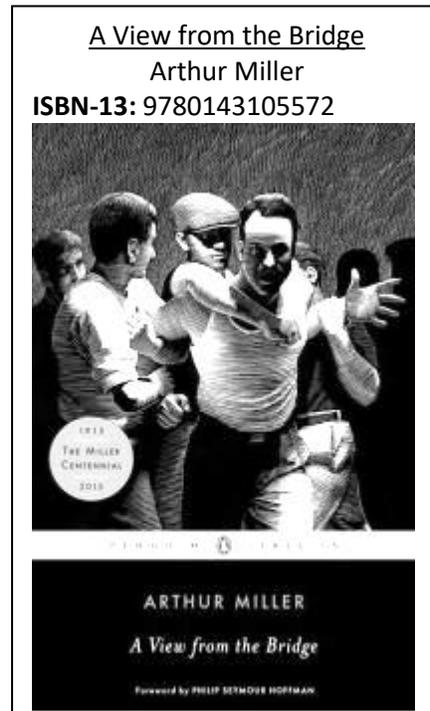
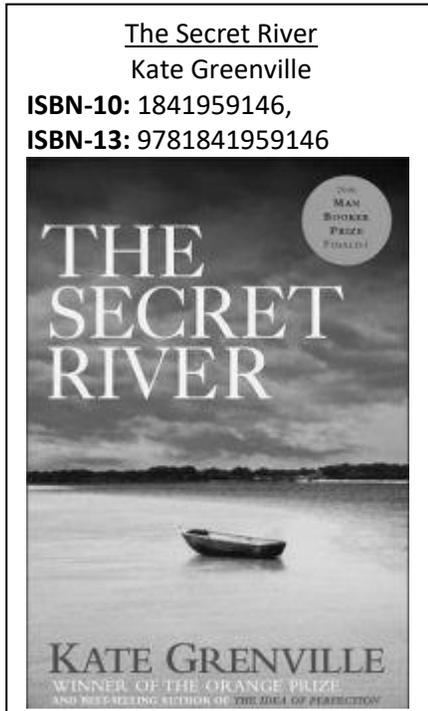




Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to IGCSE English 10! Congratulations on electing to take this challenging course. The literary selections prescribed by the Cambridge program are collegiate-level in both content and difficulty. Please purchase the exact versions of the texts below. These must be in physical paper copy; no electronic versions.



**Additional Materials** - In addition to the required texts, you must purchase a set of at least 10 different colored pens, highlighters, or colored pencils. You will use these every day in class for annotating.

**Curriculum Overview** – Throughout each unit, you will be assessed in a variety of ways, including, but not limited to, exams, creative/narrative writing, discursive/argumentative writing, performances/speeches, and artistic design pieces. We will be working with the history department to link our reading to your history lessons, so we will work through the books in chronological order:

1. Macbeth
2. Hard Times
3. The Secret River
4. A View From the Bridge

**Classroom Policies:**

1. Since we are in a computer lab, it is the student’s responsibility to inspect his/her computer station before class begins and report any problems immediately. If something is found to be broken, and the student did not report it, the student will be liable for the cost of the broken part, in addition to disciplinary action.
2. Since this is a collegiate-level course, I do my best to treat you like college students. This means that I do not require you to ask to use the bathroom; I do not assign seats unless I am forced to by inappropriate class behavior; I do not track down students for late assignments; and I do allow you to listen to music during class time. **However**, that means I expect you to be personally responsible for the consequences of your decisions. If you go to the bathroom during instruction time; if you are texting instead of working; if you are talking to your neighbor about non-class related topics; your grades may suffer. If you are absent, you are expected to take initiative by visiting our class website and completing the work posted before your return. If your poor choices result in poor grades, you are expected to accept those consequences like an adult. You will not be offered extensions, revisions, or credit recovery.
3. We will start the first 20 minutes of class with silent reading time. You may read any book you want, but it must be a book. Magazines and news articles do not count. Electronic copies of these texts are acceptable.

**Grading Policies:**

1. All work is subject to Brentsville’s Honor Code. Any attempt to pass off someone else’s work as your own will result in a zero for the assignment and administrative discipline.
2. Major projects (to include presentations and essays) will not be accepted late under any circumstances. Due dates are known well in advance, and if a student is absent on a due date, arrangements should be made for the project to be delivered by a parent, sibling, or another student. If the project happens to be digital in format, the project may be submitted electronically; however, technical difficulties that result in delivery or readability failure will result in an “NHI” and re-submissions will not be accepted. This means you should always plan on completing the work before the due date; procrastination is not your friend.
3. Late classwork or homework assignments will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. the following school day (Note: this is *not* the next class period) for a late grade. Late assignments will not receive a grade higher than a C.
4. All untimed, major writing assignments are open to revisions for a better grade (unless otherwise noted). In order to revise a paper, you *must* first schedule a conference with me. During that conference, we will set a new due date. You may only revise a paper once.

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Please sign and return this portion to Mrs. Abraham

Student: I understand the requirements for IGCSE English 10 with Mrs. Abraham. I agree to come prepared to class with the necessary materials, abide by all rules, and take personal responsibility for my actions throughout the year.

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Parent: I understand what is expected of my child for IGCSE English 10 with Mrs. Abraham. I agree to purchase the necessary materials for my child, support the rules of the classroom, and encourage my child to take personal responsibility for his/her choices throughout the year.

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