## Form 3

## 'Macbeth'

Read the whole tragedy of 'Macbeth' using the audio to help you. Revise class notes and handouts, focusing on the main characters and themes. Study key scenes and speeches.

Practise writing essays in literature by tackling any of the following titles. Your essays should be about 350 words or more.

- 1. Write about how in 'Macbeth' one murder leads to another and the country is thrown into disorder.
- 2. Explain how Malcolm, the king's eldest son, gains more importance as the play develops.
- 3. Write about one scene in the play which shows that characters are not in reality what they appear to be on the outside.
- 4. By writing about two episodes or characters in 'Macbeth', show whether, in your opinion, this is a play of hope or despair.
- 5. Choose one vision or hallucination that Macbeth has in the play. Write about its importance.
- 6. Discuss the Supernatural element in 'Macbeth'.
- 7. "This dead butcher and his fiend like queen." Is this a valid description of Macbeth and Lady Macbeth?
- 8. When Macbeth visits the witches after Banquo's murder, they show him three apparitions. Write about these apparitions.
- 9. Compare and contrast the characters of Lady Macbeth and Lady Macduff.
- 10. Write about one of the following characters: King Duncan, Macduff or Banquo.

## 'Animal Farm'

Read the book using the audio. Along with the main themes and characters of the fable, keep the political parallels constantly in mind. Follow the notes on the text book and handouts and answer some of the questions given on each chapter.

Practise writing essays in literature by tackling any of the following titles. Your essays should be about 350 words or more.

- 1. How do the pigs take advantage of the other animals in 'Animal farm'?
- 2. Name two animals who are most to blame for the failure of the animals' revolution on the Farm? Explain, with reference to their behaviour, the reasons for your choice.
- 3. Compare and contrast the characters of Boxer and Mollie.
- 4. Discuss the leadership qualities of Napoleon and Snowball.
- 5. Write about the two attempts to rebuild the windmill and how these both fail.
- 6. What is your impression of the "lower animals" on the farm? Do you think they could have prevented Napoleon from becoming such a tyrannical leader?
- 7. "Napoleon is always right." Describe the character of Boxer with reference to this phrase.
- 8. Discuss the political undertones in 'Animal Farm'.
- 9. "Fear, cruelty and exploitation is not what Old Major had in mind for the animals." Discuss.
- 10. "The others said of Squealer that he could turn black into white." Discuss.