



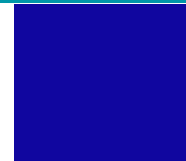
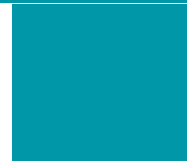
LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

Upper Secondary
[For G3]

By Mdm Sathiya
HOD/ Total Curriculum & English Literature

We nurture students to become Reflective Thinkers and Caring Citizens
who Lead to Serve the Nation and the World

Home of Thoughtful Leaders
Serve with **Honour**, Lead with **Humility**



New Subject: Humanities



- Combined Humanities is **COMPULSORY** for all O and N level students.
- Combined Humanities as a subject is made up of 2 sub-subjects.
Social Studies + one Humanities Elective

G3

Social Studies + E. Geography

Social Studies + E. History

Social Studies + E. Literature in English

Social Studies + E. Literature in Malay

Social Studies + E. Literature in Chinese

You may take one of the following as a second Humanities subject on top of Combined Humanities:

- *Higher Music*
- *Higher Art*
- *Pure Geography*
- *Pure History*
- ***Pure Literature in English***
- *Pure Literature in Malay*

NB: If you take Pure Geography, Pure History or Pure Literature, you have to take a contrasting Elective.



Humanities



Students can offer **Double Humanities**

**Pure
Literature in English**

**Pure
Geography**

**Pure
History**

Combined Hu

- Social Studies
- E. Geo or E. Hist or
E. Malay/ Chinese Lit

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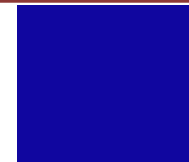
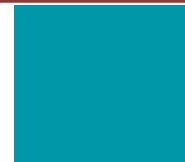
- Social Studies
- E. Hist or
E. Malay/Chinese/ English Lit

Combined Hu

- Social Studies
- E. Geo or
E. Malay/Chinese/ English Lit

Cannot Offer SAME SUBJECT as Pure and Elective

If you do **Higher Music or Higher Art**,
you can take any one of the electives mentioned above.



English Literature at “N” or “O” Levels



Syllabus Requirements

Poetry (Decoding Unseen texts)

Prose

Drama

Areas of Study

- Plot
- Characterisation
- Theme
- Style
- Setting & Mood/Atmosphere



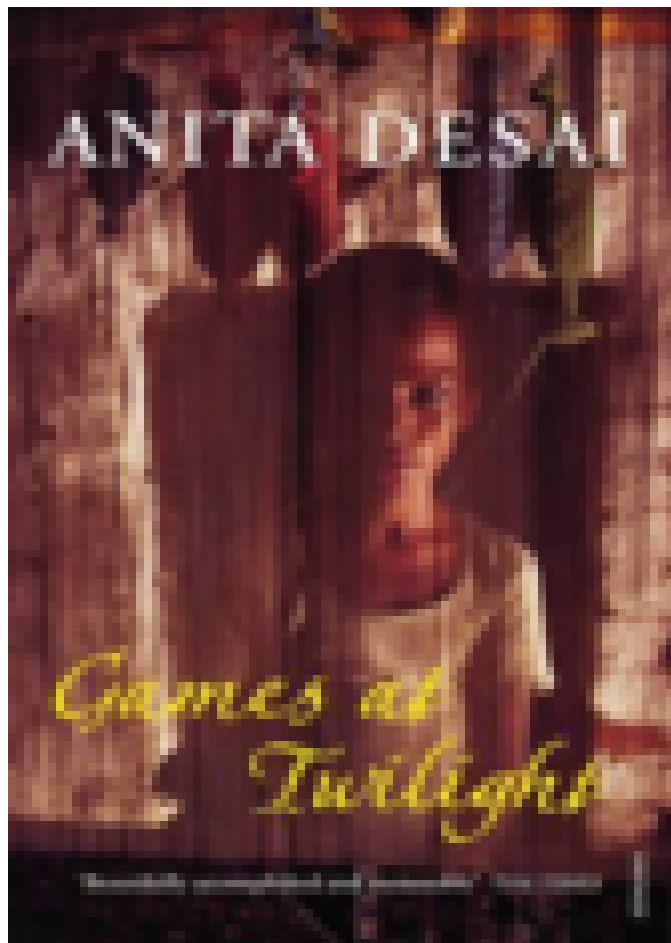
O Level: What You Will Read in 2024

TBC



Paper 1

**ANITA DESAI: Games at Twilight
and Other Stories
(Short Stories)**



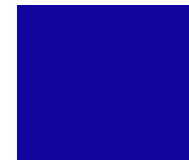
Presenting

1. Games At Twilight
2. Private Tuition By Mr. Bose
3. Studies In The Park
4. Surface Textures
5. Sale
6. Pineapple Cake
7. The Accompanist
8. A Devoted Son
9. The Farewell Party
10. Pigeons At Daybreak
11. Scholar And Gypsy

Many
resources
online

Eleven short stories by Desai, all set in India in the 1960s and 1970s.

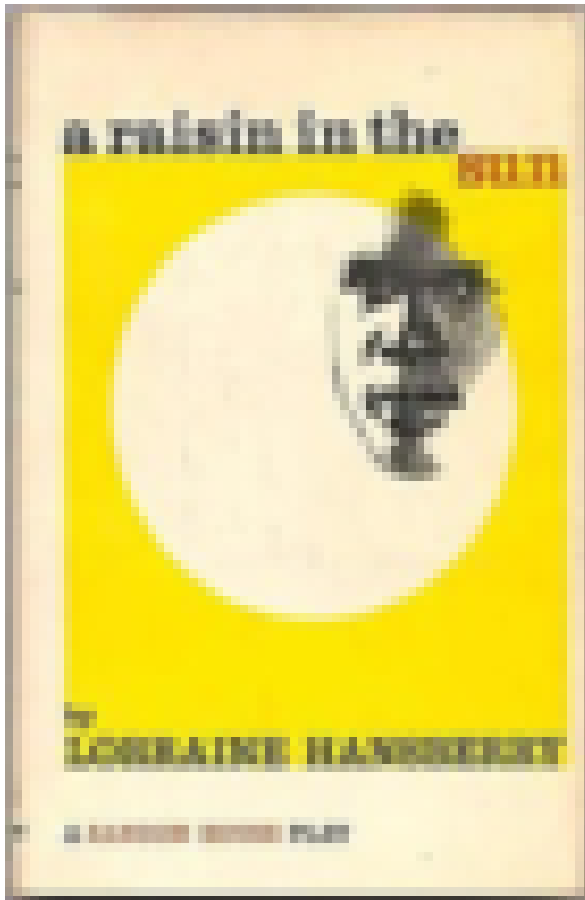
Tension in families,
between neighbours,
between student and
teacher, between East and
West etc.
Some black humour in
most of the tales.



O Level: What you will read in 2024



Paper 2 Text (Drama) [FOR PURE LITERATURE STUDENTS ONLY]



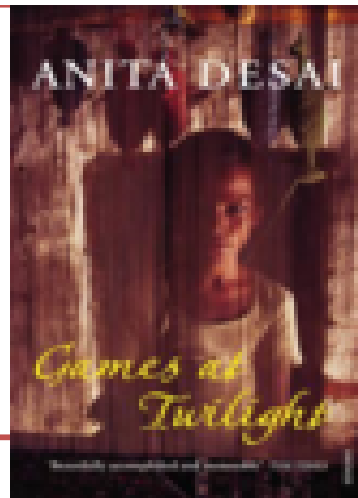
A Raisin in the Sun portrays a few weeks in the life of the Youngers, an African-American family living on the South Side of Chicago in the **1950s**. **When the play opens, the Youngers are about to receive an insurance check for \$10,000.** This money comes from the deceased Mr. Younger's life insurance policy. Each of the adult members of the family has an idea as to what he or she would like to do with this money. As the play progresses, the Youngers clash over their competing dreams. The play explores **changing values and the issues that affect the social lives of people of a certain socio-economic class.**



Paper 1

Set Text (Prose)
and the Unseen

TWO Essay Questions



Section A:

PROSE

Answer **ONE** question

- 2 Essay Questions
- 1 Passage-Based Qn

Section B: Unseen.

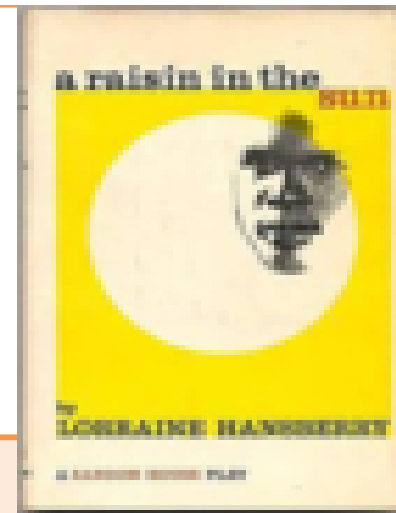
Answer **ONE** question

- 2 Poems
- Choose 1 Poem and write an essay about your response.

Paper 2

Set Text (Drama)

TWO Essay Questions



DRAMA

Answer **2** questions

- 2 Essay Questions, Choose 1
- 1 Passage Based Question (Compulsory)

**PAPER 2 for
PURE LIT STUDENTS**

What are the options if you want to read Literature at the Upper Secondary level?



Pure
Lit

(2 books, 2 papers)

- **Paper 1:** Anita Desai: Games At Twilight & Other Stories (**Prose**) and Poetry (**Unseen**)
- **Paper 2:** Raisin in the Sun (**Drama**)

Elect
Lit

(1 book, 2 papers)

- **Paper 1:** Social Studies
- **Paper 2:** (Elective Literature) Anita Desai: Games At Twilight & Other Stories (**Prose**) and Poetry (**Unseen**)



Invitation to **THE NEXT CHAPTER**



- **Lesson Experience** by the Literature Unit on Upper Sec Texts (selected seniors will also participate)
- **Samples** of the Upper Sec Assessment Requirements
- **Question & Answer**



Term 4

**Thursday 14 September
3.30pm to 5.30pm GPR**



WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE PARTY?

UPPER-SECONDARY LITERATURE FAQ

100



I HAVE QUESTIONS!

STAY HYDRATED!



1 Don't I already do some Literature in English class?

English Literature is more concerned with the themes and writing techniques in texts, and typically involves poetry, prose and larger bodies of work.

2 Is Literature only for girls?

No. ●

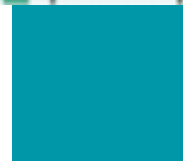
3 Does my English need to be good?

Yes, because you will be required to write full-length essays, but it is more important to understand the nuances of the issues brought up in class

4 Is it true that there are no wrong answers?

Yes and no. While all opinions are valid, you need to be able to support it well with evidence and logic.

Frequently Asked Questions on Literature

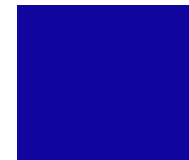




ENGLISH LITERATURE

What would help me do well in LIT?

- **An interest in humanity**
- **Enjoy plays/ musicals**
- **Enjoy reading of good literature or movies and discussing the issues in them**
- **Have the following personal qualities: REFLECTIVE, ANALYTICAL, HUMANITARIAN, KNOWLEDGEABLE, SENSITIVE TO OTHERS, DILIGENT, APPRECIATE ENGLISH LANGUAGE**



Appreciating Words and Their Power Growing Your Ability



If you have questions about the study of Literature in the Upper Secondary, please feel free to approach your teachers.

