

## English Literature Bridging Unit 2021

1. Read Khaled Hosseini's *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by September 2021. This will enable you to engage in some discussion with your teacher on themes in the novel. Recall your discussions on an extract from this text, during the 'New Year 12 Summer Welcome Week'. Your teacher will guide you through an initial writing task, based on your understanding of a major theme in *A Thousand Splendid Suns*.

2. Re-read *Eat Me* by Patience Agbabi and *Chainsaw Versus the Pampas Grass* by Simon Armitage from *Poems of the Decade*. Recall our discussions during the 'New Year 12 Summer Welcome Week'. This will prepare you to engage in some initial discussion about links between the two poems. Thereafter, your teacher will guide you through a writing task that will enable you to produce an analytical response, comparing the two poems.

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*These are the texts you will study in Year 12. We strongly advise you to buy copies of these, so that you can annotate them in class.*

• *Emily Brontë: Wuthering Heights (Oxford World's Classics)*.

• *Khaled Hosseini: A Thousand Splendid Suns*. (Bloomsbury ISBN: 9780747582793).

• *Poems Of The Decade. An Anthology of the Forward Books Of Poetry*.

*ISBN 978-571-32540-5.*

• *Tennessee Williams: A Streetcar Named Desire*. (Penguin Modern Classics ISBN 978-0-141-19027-3)