

What to expect in Q1 and Q2

Q1.1:

Post-colonialism and migration

- The post-colonial experience in India
- Ethnic communities in 21st-century Britain

Visions of the future – exploring alternative worlds

- Science fiction, utopia and dystopia
- novel: “Fahrenheit 451” (Guy Bradbury)

Q1.2:

British and American traditions and visions

- Britain’s past and present: from Empire to Commonwealth, monarchy and modern democracy
- The American Dream: then and now
- drama: “A Streetcar Named Desire” (Tennessee Williams)

Q2.1:

The interest of young audiences in Shakespeare

- Study of passages from a play and corresponding film passages

Globalization – global challenges

- Cultural issues: values, lifestyles, communication

Q2.2:

20th- and 21st-century poems and songs

Revision

Homework assignments:

- two major homework assignments for each quarter (at least in Q1)
- practicing text types you will need for the exam (“Klausur”) and of course for the final exam (“Abiturprüfung”)
- typed and printed (Zeilenabstand 2!)
- The corrected version has to be revised (possibly several times) until it says “DONE”.
- Please note that revising a text requires as much attention and thinking as writing a text! If you do not know why I marked something wrong, please ask me or a fellow student.
- The new version has to be handed in with the old version(s) so I can compare them. You can attach them with a paper clip, but please do not staple them.
- The final versions of the texts are due before the exam.
- aims: learning how to structure a text / using relevant vocabulary / avoiding mistakes / correcting one’s own mistakes

New vocabulary:

- You are expected to learn the vocabulary I write on the right-hand side of the board as well as any vocabulary lists (“toolboxes”) I hand out.
- From time to time your vocabulary knowledge will be tested (in oral or written form).

Revision:

- I will often begin a lesson asking a student what we talked about in the previous lesson. Be prepared to be asked without volunteering.

Important dates and handouts can be found at: www.frau-albrecht.de