

## **Preparatory Work for students taking English Literature A Level**

### **Compulsory work**

Read '*A Streetcar Named Desire*' by Tennessee Williams. You can easily find an electronic version of the text online. There will be copies available to buy in the College Library at reduced prices in September.

**You will have a test on the play in your very first English Literature lesson to check basic knowledge and understanding.**

Once you have read the play, go to <http://www.60secondrecap.com/study-guide/tennessee-williams-a-streetcar-named-desire-introduction/> and watch each of the 60 second videos (there are 10 of them) to help you start thinking about some of the key ideas in the play.

### **Optional work**

Read '*Never Let Me Go*' by Kazuo Ishiguro

Read '*Frankenstein*' by Mary Shelley

You will need your own hard copies of the set texts to annotate in class. You should get the following editions: *Frankenstein* (Wordsworth Classics) *A Streetcar Named Desire* (Penguin Modern Classics) *Never Let Me Go* (Faber and Faber). **They will be available to buy at reduced prices in the college library in September.**