

The Harden Library

Leaving Certificate “texts” prescribed for comparative study, for examination in the year **2020**.
All items are available in the school library. Audio versions are available for some texts.
(*Indicates listing for “One text for study on its own”.)

Fiction -- Novel

Americanah	by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
Behind the Scenes at the Museum	by Kate Atkinson
The Handmaid’s Tale * (H/O)	by Margaret Atwood
Persuasion * (H/O)	by Jane Austen
Days Without End * (H/O)	by Sebastian Barry
Wuthering Heights	by Emily Bronte
Room * (O)	by Emma Donoghue
Silas Marner	by George Eliot
The Great Gatsby	by F. Scott Fitzgerald
The Next Step in the Dance	by Tim Gautreaux
Star of the Sea	by Joseph O’Connor
Nineteen Eighty Four * (O)	by George Orwell
The Damned Utd	by David Peace
The Spinning Heart	by Donal Ryan
The Sound of Things Falling	by Juan Gabriel Vasquez
The Picture of Dorian Gray (1891 version)	by Oscar Wilde

Autobiography / Memoir

It’s Not Yet Dark	by Simon Fitzmaurice
If This Is a Man	by Primo Levi
Touching the Void	by Joe Simpson

Drama

Waiting for Godot	by Samuel Beckett
Eclipsed	by Patricia Burke-Brogan
By the Bog of Cats * (O)	by Marina Carr
A Doll’s House	by Henrik Ibsen
Observe the Sons of Ulster Marching towards the Somme	by Frank McGuinness
Hamlet * (H/O)	by William Shakespeare
The Tempest * (H/O)	by William Shakespeare
Antigone	by Sophocles
The Playboy of the Western World * (O)	by J. M. Synge

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Film

Brooklyn
Unforgiven
About Elly
Winter's Bone
Les Misérables
Pride
Some Like it Hot

Directed by John Crowley
Directed by Clint Eastwood
Directed by Asghar Farhadi
Directed by Debra Granik
Directed by Tom Hooper
Directed by Matthew Warchus
Directed by Billy Wilder

Documentary

Stop at Nothing: The Lance Armstrong
Story

Directed by Alex Holmes

Graphic Novel (Memoir)

Persepolis

by Marjane Satrapi

Poets

(Higher Level)

Eavan Boland, Emily Dickinson, Paul Durcan, Robert Frost, D.H. Lawrence, Eilean Ni Chuilleanáin, Adrienne Rich, William Wordsworth.

(Ordinary Level)

W. H. Auden, Eavan Boland, Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Carol Ann Duffy, Emily Dickinson, Paul Durcan, Martin Dyar, Linda France, Robert Frost, Robert Herrick, Andrew Hudgins, D. H. Lawrence, Francis Ledwidge, Liz Lochhead, Sinead Morrissey, Eilean Ni Chuilleanáin, Alden Nowlan, Mary O'Malley, Marge Piercy, Adrienne Rich, Eileen Sheehan, Elizabeth Smither, William Wordsworth, Benjamin Zephaniah.