

# JAMB Topics for Literature in English

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## Broad Topic

## Sub Topics

### DRAMA

- Types: Tragedy
- Types: Comedy
- Types: Tragicomedy, Melodrama, Farce, Opera etc.

### PROSE

- Types: Fiction – Novel, Novella/Novelette, Short Story
- Types: Non-fiction – Biography, Autobiography, Memoir
- Types: Faction (combination of fact and fiction)

### POETRY

- Types: Sonnet, Ode, Lyrics, Elegy, Ballad, Panegyric, Epic, Blank Verse
- Poetic Devices: Structure, Imagery, Sound (Rhyme/Rhythm, repetition, pun, onomatopoeia, etc.), Diction, Persona
- Appreciation: Thematic preoccupation, Socio-political relevance, Style

### GENERAL LITERARY PRINCIPLES

- Literary Terms: Foreshadowing, suspense, theatre, monologue, dialogue, soliloquy, symbolism, protagonist, antagonist, figures of speech, satire, stream of consciousness, etc.
- Literary Principles: Direct imitation in play, Versification in drama and poetry, Narration of people's experiences, Achievement of aesthetic value, etc.
- Relationship between literary terms and principles

### LITERARY APPRECIATION

- Unseen passages/extracts from Drama, Prose, and Poetry

#### Drama (African)

- The Lion and the Jewel

#### Drama (Non-African)

- Look Back in Anger

#### Prose (African)

- Second Class Citizen
- Unexpected Joy at Dawn

#### Prose (Non-African)

- Wuthering Heights

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### Poetry (African)

- Black Woman
- The Leader and the Led
- The Grieved Lands
- The Song of the Women of My Land
- Raider of the Treasure Trove
- A Government Driver on his Retirement

### Poetry (Non-African)

- The Good-Morrow
- Caged Bird
- The Journey of the Magi
- Bat

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