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| English L.C. Easter Study O.L. 2016 | Ms. Benton |  |  | Tick when complete |
| Single Text: The Plough and the Stars | Mar 21st: | Spend 2 hours rereading text. |  |  |
| Single Text: The Plough and the Stars | Mar 22nd: | Redo all short questions to ensure you know the text. |  |  |
| Single Text: The Plough and the Stars | Mar 23rd: | Revise notes on all male characters in the play, including learning off quotes. | Jack  Captain Brennan  Uncle Peter  The Covey  Fluther |  |
| Single Text: The Plough and the Stars | Mar 24th: | Revise notes on all female characters in the play, including learning off quotes. | Nora  Bessie Burgess  Molser  Mrs Gogan |  |
| Single Text: The Plough and the Stars | Mar 25th: | Do exam questions on the play in 2011 exam papers (attached) |  |  |
| Poetry: | Mar 29th: | Study the poems of Elizabeth Bishop, and redo all short questions to ensure knowledge | The Fish  The Prodigal  Filling Station |  |
|  | Mar 30th: | Study the poems of Sylvia Plath, and redo all short questions to ensure knowledge | Poppies in July  Child  The Arrival of the Bee Box |  |
|  | Mar 31st: | Study the poems of Emily Dickinson and WB Yeats, and redo all short questions to ensure knowledge. | I felt a Funeral, in my Brain  I Heard a fly buzz – when I died  The Wild Swans at Coole  An Irish Airman Foresees his Death |  |
|  | Apr 1st: | Study the poems of Paul Durcan, and redo all short questions to ensure knowledge. | Wife Who Smashed Television Gets Jail  Parents  Sport |  |

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| Personal Writing | Apr 2nd: | Plan and write an essay from Paper 1 of the 2013 Exam Papers-should be 4 pages in length. Please write the title at the top. | See titles 1-7 below   |  | | --- | | Should take 1 hour 20 to do. | |  |
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**2011 Exam Papers: The Plough and the Stars**

**THE PLOUGH AND THE STARS - Sean O’Casey**

**Answer all of the questions.**

**1. (a) Describe what happens in Act I when Nora and Jack are alone**

**after Peter and The Covey have gone out for the evening. (10)**

**(b) Do you think that Jack was right to leave Nora and join**

**Captain Brennan at the end of Act 1? Give one reason for your answer. (10)**

**2. What is your opinion of Uncle Peter? Explain your answer. (10)**

**3*.* Answer ONE of the following: [Each part carries 30 marks]**

**(i) Who is your favourite female character in this play? Give reasons for your**

**answer based on your knowledge of the play.**

**OR**

**(ii) Write an article about Sean O’Casey’s *The Plough and the Stars* for your**

**school magazine in which you consider whether the play is relevant to young**

**people today.**

**OR**

**(iii) Imagine you are a newspaper reporter.**

**Write a piece in which you describe the shooting and looting taking place in**

**Dublin during the Easter Rising. Your response should be based on information**

**drawn from the play.**

**Essay Titles: 2013 Exam Papers**

**1.** In TEXT 1, Des Bishop explains how his opinion of his father changed over time.

**Write a short story in which one character’s opinion of another character**

**changes dramatically. continues on next page..**

**2.** In TEXT 2, Gary Larson believes that drawing is a continuous learning process.

**Write a personal essay in which you consider the important lessons you have**

**learned in life.**

**3.** In TEXT 1, Des Bishop remembers his teenage years.

**Write an article for a popular young people’s magazine, in which you**

**offer advice to readers on how to enjoy their teenage years.**

**4.** In TEXT 2, Gary Larson writes about his fondness for wildlife.

**Write a short story in which an animal or animals play an important part.**

**5.** In TEXT 3, Michael McIntyre tells us that he had his own point of view and

outlook on life.

**Write a personal essay about your views on ONE of the following topics:**

**– music**

**– money**

**– happiness.**

**6.** TEXT 3 is based on Michael McIntyre’s autobiography, *Life and Laughing*.

**Write an article for your school year-book in which you give an account**

**of some of the most significant moments in your own life to date.**

**7.** In TEXT 1, Des Bishop tells us that his mother was the boss in his family

**Write an article for your school year-book in which you give an account**

**of some of the most significant moments in your own life to date.**