

### How to study for your Year 8 English Half-Yearly Examination

Your Year 8 Half Yearly Examination is going to be a **one hour paper**, consisting of two sections. For the first section, you will be asked to complete a series of questions about journeys and literary techniques. For each of these questions, you should be sure to have **clear ideas, quotes or examples from your text, and appropriate techniques.**

For the second section of your examination, you will be asked to compose an **essay** which draws upon your knowledge of the Asian poems you have studied in your Asian poetry unit. **You will need to know, and be able to write about in detail, TWO of these poems. ONE OF THESE POEMS MUST BE THE REFUGEE BY JANE BELFIELD.** Smart students will study their poems beforehand, and will know key ideas, quotes and techniques for each.

You will have one hour to complete your paper, as well as ten minutes reading time.

If you ask them VERY nicely, your teachers may be able to provide you with practice questions and help you with revision.

May the odds be ever in your favour!

