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Dear Parent/Carer

Tier 2 English Assessment

Summary of Actions	**Deadline**
For Information.	N/A

I would like to inform you that the Tier 2 assessment for Year 8 will be during the fortnight beginning 30 November 2026. (If your child's class needs to complete it outside of these dates, the class teacher will contact you.)

The students will be completing a piece of critical analysis of an extract from The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins. We have been working hard on their analytical reading and writing skills in class, developing their ability to explore a writer's use of language and structure, select relevant evidence and explain the effects of the writer's choices on the reader.

There is no preparation needed at home for this, however, should your child wish to consolidate their knowledge and develop their confidence ahead of the assessment, there are some useful activities on BBC Bitesize that may help:

- *How to analyse a text* – understanding what analysis involves and how to develop analytical responses.
- *How to investigate language in fiction texts* – exploring word choices, imagery, similes, metaphors and their effects on the reader.
- *How to investigate structure in fiction texts* – exploring how writers organise their writing to engage the reader and create particular effects.
- *How to use evidence from a text* – developing the use of quotations and textual evidence to support analytical points.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs H Bennett
Teacher of English

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