# BLACK SUN BLOOD MOON

# by Chris Bendall



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# **ABOUT THE PLAY**

#### **BLACK SUN BLOOD MOON**

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Two intertwining stories – one magical, the other all too real – bring two unlikely heroes to the stage in a new work inspired by the Fridays for Future student-led protests of 2019 and set in Wagga Wagga. Black Sun/Blood Moon follows Maddy, a ten year-old climate champion, and Katie, the underachieving assistant of a climate-denying politician, as they set out to save the planet. When Paul unwittingly inspires his 10-year old daughter Maddy to take part in a school climate strike, their lives are turned upside down irrevocably. Maddy's journey will put her at increasing risk as she takes her message to the powers that be, while Katie will find herself on the back of eagles and dolphins as she attempts to fulfill a fantastical quest from the future.

Director and Playwright Chris Bendall
Set & Costume Design Isla Shaw
Sound Design Kingsley Reeve
Cast Matthew Whittet, Adelaide Kennedy, Fracesca Savige, Lani Tupu
Produced by Critical Stages Touring



# **DIRECTOR AND PLAYWRIGHT | CHRIS BENDALL**

Chris is a nationally respected and award-winning arts leader, artistic director, programmer, producer & dramaturg. He is currently Artistic Director of Bondi Pavilion. He was previously Director & CEO of Critical Stages Touring from 2014 to 2022, connecting outstanding professional theatre and live performance with regional and metropolitan audiences across Australia and New Zealand (2014- present). He was previously Guest Curator of the 2013 National Play Festival for Playwriting Australia; Artistic Director & CEO of Deckchair Theatre (2008-2012) in Fremantle WA. He was Artistic Director of Theatre @ Risk in Melbourne (2001-2007) & Resident Director at Melbourne Theatre Company (2002-2006).

Chris's current work with Critical Stages Touring recently won the PAC (Performing Arts Connections) Australia Touring Legend Award for 2019. He has won the WA Equity Award for Best Director in both 2009 and 2011 and was nominated for a Green Room Award for Outstanding Direction in 2001. He has been awarded the Queen's Trust Australia and Foundation for Young Australians Centenary Grant (2001) and the George Fairfax Memorial Award for Theatre (2003).

Chris was a founding member and Treasurer of Theatre Network New South Wales, Chair of Stages WA, and WA state advocate for Playwriting Australia. He is currently a member of PAC Australia & Regional Arts Australia's Touring Advisory Group. He is also on the nominating panel of the Helpmann Awards for Regional Touring (Deputy Chair) and for Theatre.

Chris was awarded the Goethe Institut / Playwriting Australia Dramaturgy Fellowship & and Ian Potter Foundation Cultural Trust Award in 2008, which enabled him to travel to Germany and work as Guest Dramaturg on *Hiob* directed by Johan Simons at the Munchner Kammerspiele.

Highlights as a director include: *Thomas Murray and the Upside Down River* by Reg Cribb (Griffin Theatre world premiere Jan 2016, NORPA, Lismore April 2016, Critical Stages national tour Feb-April 2018); *Stones in his Pockets* (Critical Stages NSW tours 2015 & 2016, national tour 2017). For Deckchair Theatre productions include: world premiere of *The Magic Hour* by Vanessa Bates (Nominated for Drover Award for Tour of the Year for 2014, National Tour with Performing Lines, including seasons at Queensland Theatre Company and Darwin Festival); *Taking Liberty* (WA Equity

Award nominations Best Production & Best Director 2012); *The Modern International Dead* by Damien Millar (WA Equity Award Winners Best Director and Best Production 2011); world premiere of *Grace* adapted from the novel by Robert Drewe (Perth International Arts Festival 2010); *Checklist for an Armed Robber* by Vanessa Bates (WA Equity Award Winner Best Director 2009).



#### **SET AND COSTUME DESIGN | ISLA SHAW**

Isla is an award-winning Theatre Designer. She has worked in the UK, Europe and Australia, designing set and costumes, with many productions touring the world. She has worked at Shakespeare's Globe, also in new writing, Physical Theatre, Opera, dance, musicals and children's theatre. Her work has been in the Westend and on and off Broadway and across Australia. Recent productions include Magic Beach and the Midnight Gang with CDP Productions, Fully Sikh with Barking Gecko, The Cat in the Hat and Pink Sara Revolution with Leicester Curve and My Root with Barking Gecko. She has also designed long running touring productions including Emily Brown and the Thing, A Midsummer Night's Dream for Shakespeare's Globe, The Snail and the Whale (Broadway, Sydney Opea

House, UK and International Tour) and many more.



#### **SOUND DESIGN | KINGSLEY REEVE**

Kingsley graduated from the Sound discipline at WAAPA in 1995 as a sound designer and then from the Theatre discipline in 1998 as an actor. He has been designing sound and music since his youth. He forges collaborative relationships with countless theatre makers in Australia and abroad. He is currently head of Audio at NIDA. He is the recipient of several industry awards for sound and music design. Credits include Monkey Tales, Pete the Sheep and Goodbye Jamie Boyd (Monkey Baa); Off the Record (Force Majeure); Home (PIAF 2016); Thomas Murray and the Upside Down River (Stone Soup) and Storm Boy, Ruby Moon, The Mysteries: Genesis and August: Osage County (Sound Realiser) for Sydney Theatre Company.

# ABOUT CRITICAL STAGES TOURING

Critical Stages Touring is Australia's national touring theatre company – discovering and developing outstanding independent theatre for audiences everywhere. We create outstanding live performing arts experiences that can travel, connecting these with diverse regional communities, and fostering a sustainable and diverse national independent theatre sector. The company has been supporting artists and audiences around Australia for the past 15 years, extending the life of great independent theatre productions through touring and audience development. Over that time, we have partnered with a strong and ambitious pool of independent artists and earned a reputation for excellent service with presenters. Our work was recognised by the Australia Council, with the company one of only four nationally to be awarded National Touring Status from 2018-2021. We were awarded the highly prestigious Touring Legend Drover's Award by Performing Arts Connections (PAC) Australia in 2019.

We contribute to building a strong and vibrant theatre culture through supporting theatre makers and creatives in their own development. We produce regular forums and industry initiatives that bring them together, start and continue vital conversations, and provide opportunity to connect with each other and share knowledge and resources.

Critical Stages Touring brings together people from across the country to connect with original Australian stories and theatrical works in the venues and places they hold dear. Through touring to an ever-expanding network of locations in regional, remote and rural Australia, and now also throughout New Zealand. We ensure that audiences can experience diverse & innovative professional live performance where they live. With the launch of our digital theatre platform, the CST Screening Room, we can now bring these same outstanding artists and shows into the homes and devices of audiences anywhere.

# **CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT SUGGESTIONS FOR DRAMA**

Drama in the classroom can be used to support learning in a variety of key learning areas, giving students the opportunity to explore ideas and issues in a meaningful and realistic manner. Drama has been considered to assist with the development of self-esteem, communication skills, problem-solving abilities and in the development of focus and team building through fun activities.

Incorporating drama in a primary school classroom presents a number of challenges for teachers but reaps many rewards for all involved when attempted. The following suggestions are designed to provide some food for thought in relation to doing drama in the classroom and are intended as a guideline only.

When doing drama in the classroom ensure:

- A clear workspace is available for the drama activity. If desks cannot be moved in the classroom, try to use the hall or outside open area.
- You talk to the students about the creation of a 'safe space'. In this space students don't laugh at each other, but support and encourage (forming a circle at the beginning and end of a session or sitting with eyes closed are simple ways to focus students for a drama session)
- Incorporate a reflection session at the end of every drama activity. This allows the students to consider what has been done and take more meaning away from the activity than it just being fun (which it will be!)
- Be firm with the students. If a student does not follow instructions, they should be removed from the activity. This will allow the other students to see that you as the teacher are assisting in maintaining the safe space for them to work.
- Always begin every drama session with a warm-up. This could include a focus activity, drama game or pure physical warm-up. There are good books and websites available with suggestions of warm-up activities and drama games.
- Don't be afraid to participate in the activities yourself. The students like to see you as the teacher taking a role in an activity. This can also allow you to help any improvisations or role plays flow and move forward more easily. (Dorothy Heathcote's work on Mantle of the Expert and Teacher in Role discusses this in more detail)

Rachel Perry (2010)

# **BEFORE YOU SEE THE SHOW**

Please Note: The following pages have been written as enquiry-based learning guides for students. Please feel free to adjust questions, activities, expand upon ideas etc. to suit your students and class needs.

# **Promotional Materials**

Before seeing *Black Sun Blood Moon,* look at the hero image for the show and discuss your students' expectations for the show. Consider the image, the font, the colours, and the text.



# **Discussion points**

- What are your expectations of the show after seeing the hero image?
- What do you think might happen in the play?
- Who are the people on the image and what do we assume about them from this picture?
- What can we guess about the setting of the play? It's themes?
- If you've seen or read work about climate change before, how does this shape your assumptions?



# Contextualising the World of the Play

#### **Discussion points**



- What is climate change? What is your current response to climate change and how
  does it differ/correlate with those closest to you? Maybe this is your family, your
  friendships, or someone you admire.
- What is a climate activist? Why do you think people advocate?
- With your classmate think about history and society. Do you think storytelling is important? Why? Why not?
- Can you remember a time where you felt empowered to seek change about an issue that affected you? Discuss with your classmates.

#### Tasks:



- Read the "About the Play" section of this education kit and write a letter to Chris Bendall with any questions you may have about the performance. Think about the narrative and why he wrote this play.
- Watch Montaigne's music video for 'READY' the official song of the 2019 School Strikes for Climate: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qgn4vgNdxGY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qgn4vgNdxGY</a>
  Develop a 2 min presentation on your current personal response to the strikes.
  Some starting points include but are not limited to: Why did they happened? Who was involved? How much of an impact do you believe they made on local, national and international communities?
- Personal responses to Climate Change: Discuss with the class any changes students
  and their families have made to their lives in response to climate change (eg
  reducing use of plastic, recycling, cycling instead of driving) as well as any impacts
  felt directly.
- Australia's Climate Change Policies Part One\*: Research Australia's current climate change policies and targets. Have a facilitated class discussion about how students feel about Australia's current response to the issue and what change if any they would like to see. (Part Two of this activity will be discussed in the post-show activities).

<sup>\*</sup>Teacher discretion is advised with this activity. Peer safety and open mindedness takes priority. Rather than a group discussion, it could also be completed as an individual self-reflection if the teacher deems it more appropriate for their class of students.

# POST-SHOW ACTIVITIES AND DISCUSSION

Please Note: The following pages have been written as inquiry based learning guides for students. Please feel free to adjust questions, activities, expand upon ideas etc. to suit your students and class needs.

#### Themes and Reflection



# Tasks:

- Brainstorm the themes and ideas that you remember from the play. They may
  include but are not limited to: Climate change responsibility, intergenerational
  conflict, action vs keyboard activism, environmental custodianship.
- Select one of the themes of the play and make some notes about how this theme is explored in the production. Think about the script, staging, design areas, and performance.
- Discuss as a group how the story came to life on stage. Draw up a table with four sections (as below) and identify with your class how these interconnect:

<u>Images or Activity</u>	Symbols
<u>Music</u>	<u>Storyline</u>

#### **Discussion:**



- As a group, discuss the intergenerational responses to climate change within the play. Was there a particular character's perspective that you resonated with most? Why?
- What moment do you remember the most in the performance? Why do you think this stood out for you?

# Context



# **Discussion:**

- Black Sun Blood Moon will be performed in both metro and rural Australia. How might the show have been received differently by audiences in who live in rural areas compared to those who are from the city? Consider the themes you wrote down in the activity above.
- Read this article: <a href="https://www.wwf.org.au/news/news/2020/3-billion-animals-impacted-by-australia-bushfire-crisis#gs.g2pxv5">https://www.wwf.org.au/news/news/2020/3-billion-animals-impacted-by-australia-bushfire-crisis#gs.g2pxv5</a>



Discuss with your class what you think are the impacts of climate change are on your community. Consider food, resources, wealth disparity and neighbourhood solidarity.

#### Tasks:

- As a class, watch the documentary *I Am Greta*. Brainstorm with the class how they can positively impact the fight against climate change in their everyday life.
- "What really dismays me, is I'm 65, I've got three grandchildren I will not be able to show them what I saw. Going back 30 years ago, if I wanted a crayfish, I'd go out and collect 3,4,5 crayfish within a dive. Can't do that now. Can't do that here. Nowhere. The effect even if there was global action now, its on a snowballing effect now already. If we stop co2 action tonight, now, its too late. It's going to continue. IT will continue to do up. If we do something about it. Hopefully it won't continue to get worse. Yeah...." Adam Morton.

Have the students interview their parents on raising children in a world impacted by climate change. What was it like when they were growing up? What are their fears? What are their hopes for the future?

- Australia's Climate Change Policy Part Two\*: How did seeing the play impact your preshow views on Australia's current climate change policies and targets? What would you amend and change? Why? Have a facilitated class discussion.
- Extension to the above activity\* Hold a class debate on the following topic (or another of your own choosing): It is Gen Z's responsibility to fight climate change. Have the students argue for the opposite side that they immediately stand for. The aim is to encourage open mindedness and meaningful, honest discourse with one another.\*

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# The Actor



#### **Discussion:**

What type of actor/audience relationships were established by the performers? Did you feel you were observing? Were you directly addressed? Was there a fourth wall? Were the performers addressing the audience or were we observing their private thoughts? Did you encounter any sight line issues?



# Tasks:

- Do a detailed analysis of a character of your choice. Consider elements of performance voice, accent, movement, gesture as well as aspects of the character we learn from the text.
- Consider how we may have seen the events of the play differently if they had been told from your chosen character's point of view. How might we have viewed the character differently? Pick a character and write a monologue based on their perspective - based on a moment from the play.

- Construct a timeline of your chosen characters life combining both the information you received from the play and your imagination. What was their life like one year prior to the events of the play? What do you hope for them one year post the events of the play?
- What moment do you remember the most in the performance? Why do you think this stood out for you? Describe the elements of staging, costume, music, and design.

Characters you may want to consider: Paul, Katie, Maddy, Wayan

# **Design Elements**

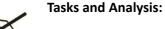


# **Discussion:**

- When you first walked into the theatre and saw the set and the theatre space, what did you expect?
- Where and when did you imagine the play was set?
- Why do you think the designer and the director chose this setting?
- Have a look at Isla Shaw's model of the design below:



How was the set realised onstage through the set, costume, lighting, and sounds designs?





- Imagine you are one of the designers of *Black Sun Blood Moon* Set Designer, Costume Designer, Lighting Designer, Sound Designer or Prop Designer. What might you have done differently?
- Analyse the set design: How did the design provide the performers with a space to create their characters? What were essential set pieces? What were excessive?
   What set pieces were practical? How realistic was the set? How did the set transform to create different locations?
- The set and puppets for *Black Sun Blood Moon* were made entirely out of recycled materials. Create your own puppets out of recycled materials and stage a 5min scene with your classmates using your puppets.
- Invent an alternative setting for the production and draw your design. Present your idea to the class and explain - Why have you chosen this setting? How have you represented it in your set design? What theatrical styles influenced your design? Why did you choose this style/s?

# Technical Theatre and the Production Team



#### **Discussion:**

• Black Sun Blood Moon is designed to be a touring production. What things might the director, the designers and the production crew need to think about (compared to a production that performs in just one venue)?

#### Tasks:



- The touring party for our production of *THEM* is 6 people four Actors, one Stage Manager, and one Production Manager. Pick one of these roles and answer the following questions:
  - O What are the responsibilities and general tasks performed by this role?
  - How might this role be different on a touring production (compared to on a production that performs in one venue)? What additional tasks might they need to do?
  - What challenges might this role face on a tour where they are constantly working in different workplaces and with difference venue staff?
- Identify potential risks or hazards these could include risks during bump in and bump out (e.g. when the crew is unloading the truck, rigging lights, installing the set, etc), as well as during the performance. What things might the crew have put in place to manage these risks?

Resources that may give you some ideas:

Safety Guidelines for the Live Entertainment and Events Industries 2018:
General Operational Hazard Guide: <a href="https://liveperformance.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/General-Operational-Hazard-Guide-1.pdf">https://liveperformance.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/General-Operational-Hazard-Guide-1.pdf</a>

Performer Hazard Guide: <a href="https://liveperformance.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Performer-Hazard-Guide-1.pdf">https://liveperformance.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Performer-Hazard-Guide-1.pdf</a>

# FURTHER READING, VIEWING AND LISTENING

- RESOURCE: Tailored and holistic mental health support for 12-25 year olds, Headspace: https://headspace.org.au/
- ARTICLE: Queensland teenagers launch legal challenge of Adani mine | The Saturday Paper
- PODCAST: 'The Few Who Do': Climate change and the teenagers putting it all on the (picket) line: <a href="https://podcasts.apple.com/au/podcast/the-few-who-do/id1451263972?i=1000451317299">https://podcasts.apple.com/au/podcast/the-few-who-do/id1451263972?i=1000451317299</a>
- ARTICLE: <a href="https://www.pbs.org/newshour/science/only-2-countries-are-meeting-their-climate-pledges-heres-how-the-10-worst-could-improve">https://www.pbs.org/newshour/science/only-2-countries-are-meeting-their-climate-pledges-heres-how-the-10-worst-could-improve</a>
- DOCUMENTARY: 2040 <a href="https://whatsyour2040.com/">https://whatsyour2040.com/</a>
- PODCAST: Kids CAN Change the World FC Outside Panel: <a href="https://podcasts.apple.com/gb/podcast/kids-can-change-the-world-fc-outside-panel/id1449137711?i=1000538175271">https://podcasts.apple.com/gb/podcast/kids-can-change-the-world-fc-outside-panel/id1449137711?i=1000538175271</a>

# **CURRICULUM LINKS**

# Stage 4: Yrs 7 and 8

#### Creative Arts

Students will develop: knowledge, understanding and skills, individually and collaboratively, through **appreciating** the meaning and function of drama and theatre in reflecting the personal, social, cultural, aesthetic and political aspects of the human experience.

- identifies and describes elements of drama, dramatic forms, performance styles, techniques and conventions in drama
- recognises the function of drama and theatre in reflecting social and cultural aspects of human experience
- describes the contribution of individuals and groups in drama using relevant drama terminology.

# English

# A student:

> responds to and composes texts for understanding, interpretation, critical analysis, imaginative expression and pleasure EN41A

Related Life Skills outcomes: ENLS-1A, ENLS-2A, ENLS-3A, ENLS-4A, ENLS-8A

#### A student:

> effectively uses a widening range of processes, skills, strategies and knowledge for responding to and composing texts in different media and technologies. Reflect on ideas

and opinions about characters, settings and events in literary texts, identifying areas of agreement and difference with others and justifying a point of view EN42A

Related Life Skills outcomes: ENLS-5A, ENLS-6A, ENLS-7A, ENLS-9A

# A student:

thinks imaginatively, creatively, interpretively and critically about information, ideas and arguments to respond to and compose texts EN45C

Related Life Skills outcomes: ENLS-12C, ENLS-13C

#### A student:

demonstrates understanding of how texts can express aspects of their broadening world and their relationships within it EN47D

Related Life Skills outcomes: ENLS-14D, ENLS-15D

# A student:

identifies, considers and appreciates cultural expression in texts EN48D

**Related Life Skills outcome:** *ENLS-16D* 

# HSIE - Geography

Students develop knowledge and understanding of interactions between people, places and environments and contemporary geographical issues and their management.

- describes the interactions and connections between people, places and environments that impact on sustainability
- describes contemporary geographical issues and events
- discusses perspectives of people and organisations on a range of geographical issues
- examines the management strategies of individuals, groups and governments

# Stage 5: Yrs 9 and 10

# Creative Arts

Students will develop: knowledge, understanding and skills, individually and collaboratively, through **appreciating** the meaning and function of drama and theatre in reflecting the personal, social, cultural, aesthetic and political aspects of the human experience.

- responds to, reflects on and evaluates elements of drama, dramatic forms, performance styles, dramatic techniques and theatrical conventions
- analyses the contemporary and historical contexts of drama
- analyses and evaluates the contribution of individuals and groups to processes and performances in drama using relevant drama concepts and terminology.

# English

# A student:

> responds to and composes increasingly sophisticated and sustained texts for understanding, interpretation, critical analysis, imaginative expression and pleasure EN51A

Related Life Skills outcomes: ENLS-1A, ENLS-2A, ENLS-3A, ENLS-4A, ENLS-8A

#### A student:

effectively uses and critically assesses a wide range of processes, skills, strategies and knowledge for responding to and composing a wide range of texts in different media and technologies EN52A

Related Life Skills outcomes: ENLS-5A, ENLS-6A, ENLS-7A, ENLS-9A

#### A student:

thinks imaginatively, creatively, interpretively and critically about information and increasingly complex ideas and arguments to respond to and compose texts in a range of contexts EN55C

Related Life Skills outcomes: ENLS-12C, ENLS-13C

# A student:

understands and evaluates the diverse ways texts can represent personal and public worlds EN57D

Related Life Skills outcomes: ENLS-14D, ENLS-15D

#### A student:

> questions, challenges and evaluates cultural assumptions in texts and their effects on meaning EN58D

Related Life Skills outcome: ENLS-16D

# **HSIE**

Students develop knowledge and understanding of interactions between people, places and environments and contemporary geographical issues and their management.

- assesses the interactions and connections between people, places and environments that impact on sustainability
- accounts for contemporary geographical issues and events that impact on places and environments
- explains how perspectives of people and organisations influence a range of geographical issues
- analyses management strategies and the roles and responsibilities of individuals, groups and governments in response to geographical issues

# Stage 6: Yrs 11 and 12

# Creative Arts

**Skill: Critically Studying** 

Objectives	Preliminary Course	HSC Course Outcomes
Through Drama, studer	Through Drama, students will develop knowledge and understanding about and skills in	
The student:		The student:
<ul> <li>recognising the place and function of drama and theatre in communities and societies, past and present</li> <li>critically studying a variety of forms and styles used in drama and theatre</li> </ul>	P3.1 critically appraises and evaluates, both orally and in writing, personal performances and the performances of others  P3.2 understands the variety of influences that have impacted upon drama and theatre performance styles, structures and techniques P3.3 analyses and synthesises research and experiences of dramatic and theatrical styles, traditions and	H3.1 critically applies understanding of the cultural, historical and political contexts that have influenced specific drama and theatre practitioners, styles and movements H3.2 analyses, synthesises and organises knowledge, information and opinion in coherent, informed oral and written responses H3.3 demonstrates understanding of the actor-audience
and values and attitudes* about:		
drama and theatre as a community activity, a profession and an industry	P3.4 appreciates the contribution that drama and theatre make to Australian and other societies by raising awareness and expressing ideas about issues of interest	H3.4 appreciates and values drama and theatre as significant cultural expressions of issues and concerns in Australian and other societies H3.5 appreciates the role of the audience in various dramatic and theatrical

<sup>\*</sup> Note: While values and attitudes outcomes are included in this syllabus, they are not to be assessed in the HSC assessment program.

# **English**

# **Objective A**

Through responding to and composing a wide range of texts and through the close study of texts, students develop knowledge, understanding and skills in order to:

• communicate through speaking, listening, reading, writing, viewing and representing\*

Year 11 course outcomes	Year 12 course outcomes
A student:	A student:

# **Objective A**

Through responding to and composing a wide range of texts and through the close study of texts, students develop knowledge, understanding and skills in order to:

communicate through speaking, listening, reading, writing, viewing and representing\*

**EA11-1** responds to, composes and evaluates complex texts for understanding, interpretation, critical analysis, imaginative expression and pleasure

**EA12-1** independently responds to, composes and evaluates a range of complex texts for understanding, interpretation, critical analysis, imaginative expression and pleasure

**EA11-2** uses and evaluates processes, skills and knowledge required to effectively respond to and compose texts in different modes, media and technologies

**EA12-2** uses, evaluates and justifies processes, skills and knowledge required to effectively respond to and compose texts in different modes, media and technologies

# **Objective B**

Through responding to and composing a wide range of texts and through the close study of texts, students develop knowledge, understanding and skills in order to:

use language to shape and make meaning according to purpose, audience and context

Year 11 course outcomes	Year 12 course outcomes
A student:	A student:
<b>EA11-3</b> analyses and uses language forms, features and structures of texts considering appropriateness for specific purposes, audiences and contexts and evaluates their effects on meaning	<b>EA12-3</b> critically analyses and uses language forms, features and structures of texts justifying appropriateness for specific purposes, audiences and contexts and evaluates their effects on meaning
<b>EA11-4</b> strategically uses knowledge, skills and understanding of language concepts and literary devices in new and different contexts	<b>EA12-4</b> strategically adapts and applies knowledge, skills and understanding of language concepts and literary devices in new and different contexts

<sup>\*</sup>Some students with special education needs communicate through a variety of verbal or nonverbal communication systems or techniques. It is important to take account of the individual communication strategies used by these students within the context of the *English Advanced Stage 6 Syllabus*.

# **Objective D**

Through responding to and composing a wide range of texts and through the close study of texts, students develop knowledge, understanding and skills in order to:

• express themselves and their relationships with others and their world

Year 11 course outcomes	Year 12 course outcomes
A student:	A student:
<b>EA11-7</b> evaluates the diverse ways texts can represent personal and public worlds and recognises how they are valued	EA12-7 evaluates the diverse ways texts can represent personal and public worlds and recognises how they are valued
<b>EA11-8</b> explains and evaluates cultural assumptions and values in texts and their effects on meaning	<b>EA12-8</b> explains and evaluates nuanced cultural assumptions and values in texts and their effects on meaning

# Society And Culture

Objectives	Preliminary course outcomes	HSC course outcomes
Students will develop knowledge and understanding about:	A student:	A student:
• personal, social and cultural identity and interactions within societies and cultures	P3 identifies and describes relationships and interactions within and between social and cultural groups	H2 explains the development of personal, social and cultural identity
how personal     experience and     public knowledge     interact to develop     social and cultural     literacy	P4 identifies the features of social and cultural literacy and how it develops	H4 assesses the interaction of personal experience and public knowledge in the development of social and cultural literacy
• continuity and change, personal and social futures	P5 explains continuity and change and their implications for societies and cultures	H5 analyses continuity and change and their influence on personal and social futures