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The English and media studies department

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Dear Student

Congratulations on being accepted for one of the English courses. Please find below recommended preliminary reading for your English course.

Students studying the literature course

We would like you to arrive having read *Atonement* by Ian McEwan, as all students will be studying this modern novel for coursework. You will also be studying, depending on which class you are in, **either** *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley **or** *Mrs. Dalloway* by Virginia Woolf; you may wish to read either or both of these but it is **not** a requirement. If you do decide to buy a copy of either or both of these, please get the Penguin Modern Classics edition of *Mrs. Dalloway* (ISBN 978-0141182490) and the Wordsworth Classics edition of *Frankenstein* (ISBN 978 – 1853 260230). You will also be studying selected poems of William Butler Yeats. There is no need to buy an edition of Yeats; we will provide you with an anthology of the poems you need to study in September. If you'd like to start reading some Yeats, 'An Irish Airman Foresees his Death' and 'The Lake Isle of Innisfree' would be an accessible starting point.

We look forward to meeting you in September. Please get in touch if you have any questions, 01223 247251 ext. 1258 or email jbinfield@hillsroad.ac.uk

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