TOM HOLLINS

Impress Education Examiner

CURRENT ROLES

Teacher of English (KS5 English Language lead), Principal Examiner and Principal Moderator.

SUBJECTS

English across KS3, 4 and 5.

EXAM BOARD

AQA, EdExcel

EXPERIENCE

I am an accomplished educator with a passion for English language and literature. Currently, I serve as a dedicated Teacher of English, specialising in KS5 and A-Level English Language. In addition to my teaching role, I am a best-selling author of revision guides, offering students valuable resources to excel in their studies. My extensive experience also includes serving as a Principal Examiner, which has provided me with a deep understanding of assessment and curriculum development, ensuring students' success in their academic journey.

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About me

What motivates you to work hard?

What motivates me to work hard is the profound belief in the transformative power of education. I am driven by the opportunity to make a positive impact on the lives of my students, helping them grow, learn, and achieve their full potential. Witnessing their progress and seeing them develop a love for learning is incredibly rewarding and serves as a constant source of motivation. Additionally, I am inspired by the pursuit of excellence in my field and the desire to continuously improve as an educator, ensuring that I can provide the best possible learning experience for my students.

Who is your hero?

Lin-Manuel Miranda is my hero because of his unparalleled artistic genius, social impact, commitment to diversity, inspirational journey, and contributions to education and mentorship. He's an inspiring figure who has made an indelible mark on the world of arts and beyond.

What is your proudest accomplishment?

My proudest accomplishment is the publication of my book, "The Ultimate Revision Guide for AQA A-Level English Language." In addition, witnessing the elation of my students when they open their exam results and knowing that I played a part in their success is incredibly rewarding. It's a tangible reminder of the positive impact I've had on their academic journeys.

If you could choose to do anything for a day, what would it be?

If I could choose to do anything for a day, I would spend it indulging in a marathon of my favourite musicals. Immerse myself in the captivating stories, brilliant music, and mesmerising performances that bring these productions to life. It would be a day of pure joy and entertainment, appreciating the artistry and creativity of musical theatre.

If you could go back in time, what year would you travel to?

Traveling back to the years 1610 or 1611 to witness the initial performances of "Macbeth" or "Othello" by William Shakespeare would indeed be an extraordinary experience. It's a chance to be in the presence of literary history and observe how these timeless plays were received by their first audiences, gaining a deeper understanding of their enduring impact on culture and the arts.

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