

Centres are advised that due to the removal of 'Education for Leisure' from the Specification A Anthology from 2008, the following arrangements will apply:

### **Candidates taking English Literature examination in Summer 2009**

As candidates are half way through their GCSE course, 'Education For Leisure' remains a key poem for this cohort as it would be unfair to remove it at this point. However, teachers are advised that the poem **will not** be a named poem in summer 09 examinations. This means that any centres who are concerned about the subject matter of the poem need not teach it. Centres will receive clean copies of the anthology for candidates to use in the examination. This anthology will contain 'Education for Leisure' without the accompanying illustration.

### **Candidates taking English Literature examination in Summer 2010**

For all candidates beginning GCSE English courses in September 2008, centres will normally use the clean copies from the 2008 examinations. This year, centres are advised to destroy the clean copies of the anthologies received for June 08 examination. **These will be replaced with new anthologies, which will arrive in centres by mid September, for all cohorts beginning their course of study in September 08. Centres do not need to do anything as AQA will send enough copies to replace those issued previously.** The new anthology will have a different coloured (purple) cover and will be marked '2008 onwards'. The poem will be removed from page 37 but no other changes will be made to the content of the anthology and we will not be providing an alternative Duffy poem. However, the 'key poems' list has been revised (enclosed).

### **Candidates taking English Literature examination in Summer 2011**

For all candidates beginning GCSE English courses in September 2009, centres will normally use the clean copies from the 2009 examinations. Centres are advised to destroy the clean copies of the anthologies received for June 09 examination. **These will be replaced with new anthologies, which will arrive in centres immediately following the summer examination series, for all cohorts beginning their course of study in September 09. Again, centres do not need to do anything as AQA will ensure sufficient replacement copies are sent.** The new anthology will have a different coloured (purple) cover and will be marked '2008 onwards'. The poem will be removed from page 37 but no other changes will be made to the content of the anthology and we will not be providing an alternative Duffy poem. However, the 'key poems' list has been revised (enclosed).

### **New GCSE English specifications will be taught from September 2010 (first terminal examination 2012)**