

English Language & English Literature

What will I learn?

- You will read a wide range of non-fiction and fiction texts with understanding and insight.
- You will develop an appreciation of literature through the close study of prose, poetry and drama texts.
- You will learn to write skilfully to suit various audiences, purposes and forms.
- You will speak with increasing confidence and fluency for a variety of purposes and audiences.

What skills do I need?

- Writing creatively, persuasively and accurately.
- Analysing what you read, in a range of fiction and non-fiction genres.
- Essay writing, interpreting literature from different time periods.

Assessment:

English Language

Examination

- Paper 1: Explorations in creative reading and writing | 1 hour 45 mins | 80 marks | 50%
- Paper 2: Writer's viewpoints and perspectives | 1 hour 45 mins | 80 marks | 50%

Non-examined assessment

Spoken Language endorsement

Assessment:

English Literature

Examination

- Paper 1: Shakespeare and the 19th century novel | 1 hour 45 mins | 64 marks | 40%
- Paper 2: Modern texts and poetry | 2 hours 15 mins | 96 marks | 60%

Could lead to:

A good GCSE in English is a requirement for many courses and jobs. Skills and techniques developed in English studies may be continued in a wide range of A-level courses including: English language, English literature, combined language & literature, media studies and film studies.