



## English

### Why should I study this course?

All students will study English Language and Literature. This will result in two separate GCSE grades.

These courses are essentially about developing your skills to become effective communicators. Good communication in writing and speaking, and comprehension through reading and listening, are key skills that employers value and academic advancement relies upon. Lessons will involve a variety of teaching and learning styles to hone and improve these abilities.

GCSE studies could lead to English Language and/or English Literature A-levels. These are both popular courses which complement a wide range of other 'A' level choices.

### What knowledge and/or skills will I need?

Enjoyment of language through reading, writing and discussion undoubtedly help, but as long as you are prepared to participate fully, listen to advice, pay attention to detail and develop your ideas, you can succeed.

### How will I be assessed?

Both courses are 100% exam based and run by the AQA examination board.

### English Language

**Paper 1:** (1 hour 45 minutes) involves exploring fictional extracts and writing creatively.

**Paper 2:** (1 hour 45 minutes) involves analysing writers' viewpoints and perspectives and writing for given purposes and audiences.

### English Literature

**Paper 1:** (1 hour 45 minutes) requires you to answer one question on a Shakespeare text and one question on a 19<sup>th</sup> Century novel.

**Paper 2:** (2 hours 15 minutes) requires you to answer one question on a modern novel or drama text, one question on poetry studied and one question on unseen poetry.

### Want more information?

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