

CORE SUBJECT

ENGLISH LANGUAGE GCSE

QUALIFICATION

WJEC EDUQAS GCSE (9-1) ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PERIODS PER WEEK IN YEAR 11

5 (COMBINING LANG & LIT)

HOME LEARNING EXPECTATION

AT LEAST ONE HOUR PER WEEK OF RESEARCH AND WRITING, PLUS AN ADDITIONAL 15 MINS READING PER EVENING

THE COURSE

AQA ENGLISH LANGUAGE

WHAT YOU WILL STUDY

English Language is a core subject and compulsory at GCSE for very good reason. Not only is English the official language in 67 sovereign countries and 27 other territories, it is the most common second language for many other nations. Between 1.5 and 2 Billion people worldwide can understand it.

It makes complete sense that employers tell us the most valuable attributes they look for in their staff are good English, literacy and communication skills. English is invaluable for your future, no matter what you are aiming for. A good command of the spoken and written word will help you every day – and benefit all your other GCSEs too. Whenever you need to persuade, inform or connect with someone, great use of English is your best friend. Whatever you end up doing, English is a must have subject for college, university, work and life!

In your studies you will work on your writing, reading and spoken language skills to give you the confidence to use English successfully.

ASSESSMENT

Two Components are studied across the programme plus a formal spoken presentation

- Component 1 – Reading and Creative Prose Writing. **2 Hr Exam**
- Component 2 – 19th and 21st century non-fiction and transactional/persuasive writing. **2 Hr Exam**

What key skills will you develop?

- Work Independently
- Creativity
- Critical Thinking
- Verbal & Written Communication
- Logical Thinking
- Team Working
- Analytical and Evaluation Skills
- Organisation Skills

What careers will this subject help prepare you for?

- Every Career available
- Every route into higher education
- Every route into an apprenticeship
- Journalist
- Lawyer
- PR Executive
- Author
- Scientist
- Architect
- Web Designer
- Marketing Executive
- Business Management
- Civil Service

LINK TO FURTHER STUDY AND CAREERS

Media; Publishing; Teaching

USEFUL RESOURCES

Books, newspapers, The Day online newspaper – access to a wide range of reading opportunities.