



GCSE English

The study of English at GCSE level will help you to improve your skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening. The English language is the medium through which all your learning takes place so success in English will enable you to perform better in all your other subjects.

How will I study?

You will continue to take part in a variety of activities which will help you to develop your own confidence and effectiveness in speech and writing, your enjoyment and understanding in reading literary, non-literary and media texts and your flexibility in working in a variety of contexts - on your own, in a small group, with the whole group, in a pair, and with the teacher's help.

Reading:

You will read a variety of texts, including newspaper articles, short stories, novels, plays, poetry and drama. Some texts will be modern and others will be drawn from previous centuries. You will also study texts reflecting life in different cultures.

Writing:

You will be writing many different types of texts such as narratives, descriptions, letters, essays, reviews, articles, leaflets, etc. You will learn how to improve your sentences and how to structure ideas effectively. To support the development of these skills, you will be required to read a wide variety of novels and other texts at home.

Speaking and Listening

You will be discussing ideas as you work but there will also be assessed tasks where you will be required to speak on your own to a class on a subject of your choice.

What will I study?

You will be studying two GCSE courses: English Language and English Literature. You will be following the Eduqas syllabus.

External Examinations

There is no coursework element to your GCSE. All assessment is externally assessed at the end of the two year linear course.

Examination Tiers

Examination entry is untiered meaning all students will sit the same paper.

For further information about this course, please see Ms Hodgson or any of the staff in the English team.