

A-LEVEL ENGLISH LANGUAGE

INTRODUCTION

English Language is a subject which is both challenging and enjoyable in which you will have the opportunity to develop speaking and listening as well as reading and writing skills. You may take English Literature in combination with English Language.

'I found this course followed on well from GCSE English and combined really easily with almost any other subject.'

'Doing this course helped me to communicate more clearly and accurately. I was surprised at how much my writing skills developed in a short time!'

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

English Language combines well with virtually any other subject, and is regarded as being useful for a wide variety of careers (e.g. teaching, accountancy, law, etc.)

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A 'B' grade or higher at GCSE English is essential to follow this course.

AS YEAR 1

In Unit 651 we study how meaning is communicated in conversations; how children learn to speak; and the speech of different social groups. Assessment is by means of a two hour written examination.

For Unit 652 candidates must produce a coursework folder of a maximum of 3000 words. It must contain writing which compares how language is used in such things as advertisements and other media texts.

A2 YEAR 2

In Unit 653 candidates are required to study accent and dialect and social attitudes to language, concentrating on the relationship between language and power. Assessment is by means of a two hour written examination.

For Unit 654 candidates must produce a study of no more than 3000 words which analyses language use in a spoken, a written and a media text on a theme of their choice. Candidates are free to choose a subject which is of interest to them.

The examinations count for 60% of the marks, the coursework for the remaining 40%

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A-LEVEL ENGLISH LITERATURE

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'I have found the course interesting and challenging. It has enabled me to understand myself and other people better.'

'I never realised what a vast improvement I was capable of making in the way I express myself.'

'Lessons are lively, frank and interesting. It's better to read stories than text books.'

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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A 'B' grade or higher at GCSE English and English Literature is essential to follow this course.

AS YEAR 1

For Unit 661 candidates will study one prose and one poetry text. Currently, set texts include *Wuthering Heights*, *The Great Gatsby* and the poems of Wordsworth or Robert Frost. Assessment is by means of a two hour written examination.

For Unit 662 candidates are required to produce a coursework folder of 3000 words which explores relationships between different texts.

A2 YEAR 2

For Unit 663 candidates are required to study a Shakespeare play, and explore relationships between a further play and poetry written before 1800. Assessment is by means of a two hour written examination.

For Unit 664 candidates are required to produce a coursework folder of 3000 words which explores links between prose and poetry texts on a given theme, such as men and women, love and marriage.

Examinations count for 60% of the total marks and coursework for the remaining 40%.

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