

Course Information - English

We are using the AQA specifications for English Language and English Literature. With the abolition of coursework comes a new challenge: preparing students for two-terminal examinations in English Language and two in Literature. The course requirements for Literature are that students study a Shakespeare play, a 19th-century novel, contemporary prose or a play and poetry. The English Language course includes reading fiction and non-fiction texts from different time periods and writing for different purposes and audiences.

At the end of each half-term, students answer a GCSE question for English Language and English Literature based on their learning for that period. There are no longer tiered papers at GCSE so all students take the same exam. Interventions are then put in place to support students who need it.

Students are provided with a challenging homework booklet each half-term and are expected to complete one task a week. The homework tasks compliment the programme of study and provide opportunities for students to consolidate their learning at home.

