

GCSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Subject English Language

Exam board EDUQAS

Course overview

This specification allows you to demonstrate your ability in functional English, to investigate and analyse language and to experiment and use language creatively. It offers a skills-based approach to the study of English. It gives you the opportunity to explore the English Language in more depth, and (in combination with English Literature) experience a greater breadth of English studies at this level.

Course breakdown

GCSE English Language is made up of 3 components comprising

Component	How is it assessed?	% of marks
20th Century Prose Reading (1 hour - 20%) Prose Writing (45 minutes - 20%)	Written exam (1 hour 45 mins)	40%
Non-fiction Reading (21st & 19th Century) (1 hour - 30%) Non-fiction Writing (2 tasks) (1 hour - 30%)	Written exam (2 hours)	60%
Spoken Language	Non exam assessment	n/a

Assessment

100% written exam (2 papers) – Grades 1-9 available.

Qualities needed for this course

You will need an enquiring mind, the growing ability to express ideas on paper and an understanding of texts read.

Possible paths post 16

English Language is one of the most important GCSE qualifications according to employers and further academic institutions, as many require a minimum grade 5.

English Language is an essential grounding for all A level subjects, college courses, apprenticeships and employment.

There are clear progression routes into English Language, English Literature, Film and Media at A level.

Who do I contact for more information?

Mrs Summers(or any member of the English Department).