

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

The course is designed for students who wish to explore the English language from different perspectives in analytical and creative ways

COURSE DETAILS

A Level
AQA - 7702
English GCSE Grade 5 or higher

Students will study the key concepts of audience, purpose, genre and mode and will explore language in its wider social and geographical contexts. Students will also study social attitudes to, and debates about, language diversity.

The course draws on insights from a range of fields within the study of English language/ linguistics, including sociolinguistics and discourse analysis. We will explore how language is used by the individual, focusing on regional diversity and a range of language frameworks such as:

- 1 Grammar
- 1 Phonetics
- 1 Semantics
- 1 Pragmatics

Study also extends to explore language varieties, investigating how language is shaped depending on:

- 1 Gender
- 1 Social group
- 1 Occupation

We also study other areas of English including:

- 1 Child Language Acquisition
- 1 World English
- 1 Language Change

Students sit 2 exams at the end of the course that assess skills developed throughout the year. In addition to this, students also produce a coursework portfolio that makes up 20% of the final grade. This will be based on a personal language investigation and a creative writing piece of their choice.

Students who study English Language with us have gone on to continue in this field at University as well as moving on to many different degree courses which include: Linguistics, Media Studies, Law, Government and Politics.

