



Subject/Qualification	English Language
What is the course about?	The course explores a wide range of texts covering the 19th, 20th and 21st century time periods through which you will develop a wide range of skills including the ability to effectively read, understand and analyse these texts. You will also develop the ability to write clearly, coherently and accurately for a range of purposes using a range of vocabulary and sentence structures.
How is it assessed?	100% exam through two papers. Paper 1, <i>Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing</i> , looks at how writers use narrative and descriptive techniques to engage the interest of readers. Paper 2, <i>Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives</i> , looks at how different writers present a similar topic over time. Non-exam assessment: Spoken Language involves a prepared spoken presentation (10 minutes) on a specific topic. It will be assessed holistically as a Pass, Merit or Distinction.
What can you do with this qualification?	English Language is a required course that enables you to develop your written and verbal communication as well as your ability to read, understand and analyse texts of various forms. Therefore, this qualification will boost your skillset for life in non verbal and verbal communication which you will be able to use within any subject, course or career path. These skills include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• higher-order reading/ critical thinking skills that encourage genuine enquiry into different topics and themes• reading fluently• writing effectively (imaginative and transactional)• a confident control of Standard English and oracy skills
Is there a main selling point?	English is a global language so it will arm you with necessary skills for future progression and develop your understanding of the world through exploration of different forms of literature. English Language simply opens doors.
What are the pre-course requirements?	Although English Language is a compulsory subject, reading a range of fiction and nonfiction texts for pleasure, information, knowledge, interest or any purpose will give you a head start in GCSE English.
What other subject(s) does it combine well with?	All subjects where written communication and interaction with sources is required, particularly: History Sociology & Law.



Subject/Qualification	English Literature
What is the course about?	The English Literature course is about reading, understanding and appreciating a variety of English literary heritage texts, exploring their origins and contextual influences and how they relate to modern society and our current climate. The course will entail in depth study of a: <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Shakespearean play✓ British Drama✓ 19th Century novel✓ Poetry anthology
How is it assessed?	100% Exam Paper 1: Shakespeare and Post-1914 Literature: Romeo and Juliet & An Inspector Calls Paper 2: 19th-century Novel and Poetry since 1789: A Christmas Carol or Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde and Relationships Poetry cluster.
What can you do with this qualification?	English Literature is a required course that enables you to develop your written and verbal communication as well as your ability to read, understand and analyse texts of various forms. Like English Language, you will be able to use all your skills from the course in many other subjects, courses and career paths as it will help you to think critically and evaluatively about the world around you. This qualification could lead you to a range of career paths such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lawyer / Barrister• Journalist• Writer
Is there a main selling point?	Visiting the theatre to watch live productions and watching film adaptations inspired by great works of literature.
What are the pre-course requirements?	Reading a range of fiction texts for pleasure will give you a head start in GCSE English Literature.
What other subject(s) does it combine well with?	All subjects where written communication and interaction with sources is required, particularly: History Sociology & Law.