



English Literature

Advanced General Certificate of Education

Why English Literature?

English Literature is a subject which provides students with a wide range of opportunities. The course builds on study at GCSE and allows the students to develop a deeper understanding and appreciation for the texts that are studied while also encouraging critical thinking and fluency in communication. A Level Courses in English Literature complement other Sixth Form courses and are designed to encourage wide reading and advanced detailed research within the whole field of literary studies.

Qualifications in English Literature are acceptable as an entry to many different careers. These may include: Marketing, journalism, education, film production, media studies, creative writing, social sciences and all health related courses.

Enrichment opportunities

Key Stage 5 students attend workshops and theatre productions in theatres and take part in visits to important literary places around the country.

Many students participate in our literacy programmes helping younger students with reading and writing.

Course details:

Awarding body: AQA English Literature A

Content:

You will study one main component in the first year, along with the non-exam assessment and a further component in the second year along with the completion of the NEA.

Year 1 components

Component 1 – Love Through the Ages

Component 3 – Non Exam Assessment

Year 2 Components

Component 2 – Modern times: Literature from 1945 to the present day

Component 3 – Non Exam Assessment



What you will need to succeed?

We expect all students to demonstrate a high level of motivation and have the capacity for hard work. Sixth form work is demanding and students are expected to take increased responsibility for their own learning through supported self-study courses. Excellent attendance is vital if students are to benefit from the courses.

Assessment overview

Non exam assessment: Students will complete an extended essay comparison. This will begin in Year 1 and be finalised by the start of year 2. 20% of total qualification

External examinations will take place at the end of year 2 and will consist of two written papers:

Paper 1: Love through the ages: 3 hours 40% of total qualification

Paper 2: Modern times: literature from 1945 to the present day: 2.5 hours 40% of total qualification

Specific Entry Requirements:

5 GCSEs (Grades 9-4) including grade 6 in GCSE English literature and grade 5 in English language

For further information

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