

<b>Exam Board &amp; Course title: AQA English</b>
<b>Qualification: GCSE</b> <b>Qan Code: 601/4292/3</b>
<b>Level of course: Compulsory for all students.</b>
<p><b>Assessment Methods:</b> 2 exams at the end of the course.</p> <p><b>Paper 1: Explorations in creative reading and writing</b> – 1 hour 45 mins, 50% of the GCSE. Both reading and writing are tested.</p> <p><b>Paper 2: Writers' viewpoints and perspectives</b> – 1 hour 45 mins, 50% of the GCSE. Both reading and writing are tested.</p>
<p><b>Course Content:</b> You will study a range of both fiction and non-fiction texts from the 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Century. You will develop your analysis skills, particularly focusing on how writers use language to achieve certain effects as well as exploring writers' viewpoints and opinions. The skills of comparing texts and evaluating them will also be focused upon. In terms of writing, you will develop your grammatical accuracy and understanding as well as develop your vocabulary. You will also focus upon how texts are structured, use of paragraphing and sentences. You will need to write creatively in a range of styles. Spoken Language is not assessed but you will be required to demonstrate use of standard English when speaking and to deliver effective presentations as well as to be able to question others.</p>
<p><b>Skills you need:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listening skills</li> <li>• Speaking skills</li> <li>• Communication skills</li> <li>• Ability to work within a group and independently</li> <li>• Reading</li> <li>• Writing</li> <li>• Thinking creatively</li> <li>• Motivation</li> <li>• To be able to work and read independently</li> </ul> <p><b>Skills you will acquire:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading and writing skills</li> <li>• Analytical and evaluative skills</li> <li>• Comparing texts</li> <li>• Thinking skills</li> <li>• Problem solving</li> <li>• Communication skills</li> <li>• Literacy</li> <li>• Writing creatively</li> </ul>
<p><b>Progression routes and linked careers:</b> This course would enable you to study English at A Level and then onto degree level. Future careers with English include teaching, journalism, law, editing, marketing, media and management.</p>
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