

English Language

GCSE Core Qualification - AQA

Course Leader: **Mr Cooper**

Successful learner profile

- Enjoys reading a variety of texts.
- Has good communication skills.
- Can present own ideas both orally and in writing.
- Has an analytical mind.
- Is creative.

All about this core qualification

- English Language is a compulsory subject at GCSE.
- Students will develop a wide range of communication and interpretation skills.
- This is a fantastic qualification which will empower students by developing a diverse range of essential skills for life.

What will you study?

- Reading: you will read a wide range of non-fiction texts, including texts from pre-1900.
- Writing: you will write for a wide range of audiences and purposes, non-fiction and creative.
- Spoken Language: you will present to an audience and respond to questions. This is assessed separately from the GCSE

How will you be assessed?

There are two examinations:

- Paper 1 (50%): Explorations in creative reading and writing.
- Paper 2 (50%): Writers' viewpoints and perspectives.
- Spoken Language: Presenting and responding features in the assessment of this GCSE.

Possible progression post 16

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- A Level Literature.
- A good grade in English is a good foundation for all subjects at Advanced Level.
- Skills used in English will be used in every subject Post 16.

Weblinks

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/gcse/english-8700/specification>