

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Year 10

What are the aims and intentions of this curriculum?

The aims of our Year 10 curriculum are:

- Developing language skills: The curriculum aims to enhance students' ability to communicate effectively in spoken and written English. This includes developing vocabulary, grammar, and syntax to express ideas accurately and coherently.
- Reading comprehension: The curriculum focuses on improving students' ability to understand and analyse various forms of written texts, including fiction, non-fiction, poetry, and media sources. Students learn to extract meaning, infer information, and engage critically with the text.
- Writing proficiency: The curriculum aims to strengthen students' writing skills by encouraging them to produce clear, well-structured, and persuasive texts. Students learn different writing styles, such as narratives, persuasive essays, reports, and responses to literature.
- Oral communication: The curriculum emphasizes the development of effective oral communication skills, including listening and speaking. Students are encouraged to participate in discussions, debates, presentations, and other speaking activities to express their ideas and engage in meaningful dialogue.
- Literature appreciation: The curriculum introduces students to a range of literary works, both classic and contemporary, to foster an appreciation for literature. Students learn to analyse literary techniques, explore themes, and interpret meaning in texts.
- Critical thinking and analysis: The curriculum aims to develop students' critical thinking skills by encouraging them to analyse and evaluate information from various sources critically. They learn to identify bias, evaluate arguments, and form evidence-based opinions.
- Media literacy: In the digital age, the curriculum addresses the importance of media literacy. Students learn to critically evaluate media sources, recognize different media techniques, and understand how media influences opinions and attitudes.
- Cultural understanding: The curriculum promotes an understanding and appreciation of diverse cultures, traditions, and perspectives. Students explore texts that reflect different cultures, fostering empathy, respect, and an understanding of global issues.
- Independent learning: The curriculum encourages students to take ownership of their learning by developing research skills, independent study habits, and self-reflection. They learn to plan, organize, and manage their work effectively.
- Examination preparation: As students progress towards the end of Year 10, the curriculum may also include elements that prepare them for examinations or assessments that evaluate their English language skills and knowledge.

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Term	Topics	Knowledge and key terms	Skills developed	Assessment
Summer 2	1. Transition	Common noun	 Composition 	
	2. Introduction to English	 Proper noun 	 Creative writing 	English Alliance Year 10
	Alliance Form Challenge	 Adjective 	 Descriptive writing 	Creative Writing Challenge
		• Verb	 Spelling, punctuation, and grammar 	
		 Adverb 	 Presentation skills 	
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Autumn 1	AQA English Language Paper 1 Section A	 Onomatopoeia Tone: The writer's attitude or feelings towards the subject matter. 	 Analytical skills: Students learn to critically analyse and evaluate the 	Summative: Paper 1 Section A in-class
	English Language Spoken Language Assessment	 Genre: The category or type of text, such as a newspaper article, speech, or letter. Language features: Specific linguistic elements used in the text, including figurative language, sentence structure, and word choice. Structure: The organization and arrangement of ideas within the text. Narrative perspective: The point of view from which the story or information is presented. Rhetorical devices: Techniques used to persuade or engage the audience, such as rhetorical questions, repetition, and emotive language. Context: The circumstances or background information surrounding the creation and reception of the text. Register: The level of formality or informality in the language used. Audience response: The effect or impact the text has on the reader and how it achieves this. Comparative analysis: Comparing and contrasting different aspects of the text(s) provided. Inference: Drawing conclusions or making interpretations based on evidence from the text(s). Evaluation: Assessing the effectiveness of the text(s) in achieving their intended purpose. 	language, structure, and techniques used in the given texts. Inference: Students practice making inferences based on textual evidence, drawing conclusions, and understanding implicit meanings. Language analysis: Students develop skills to identify and analyse the use of language features, such as figurative language, rhetorical devices, tone, style, and register.	practice test. Spoken Language Assessment

Autumn 2	Literature Paper 2 Section B/C Love & Relationships poetry anthology and unseen poetry	 Allegory; Allusion; Analogy; Cliché; Connotation/Connote; Contrast; Denotation/Denote; Euphemism; Hyperbole; Irony; Metaphor—or 'as'; Oxymoron; Paradox; Personification; Pun—Simile Verse— A line of a poem, needn't be a complete sentence. Stanza—A collection of verses similar to a paragraph, separated from other stanzas. Rhetorical Question—A Question intended to provoke thought without expecting an answer. Rhyme Scheme— Regular or irregular (does it follow a pattern or not) popular examples are alternate rhymes abab, cross rhyme abba, or couplets aabb. Rhyme scheme often depicted by letters abcd to help follow. Enjambment—A sentence or on-going piece of text carried over verses or stanzas to continue the spoken effect without pause. Form—Open (no real pattern of rhyme or length), closed (follows a specific form or pattern), couplets (pairs of rhyming lines), quatrains (stanzas of 4 lines, often rhyming), blank verse (iambic pentameter with not consistent rhyme). Fixed Forms—Some examples include Sonnets (3 quatrains and a couplet), Ballads (large poems in quatrains often telling a story) Pathetic Fallacy—Using weather or environment to reflect the themes and contexts of the poem, e.g. a horror genre may involve a dark and stormy night, joyful poems may use a sunny meadow etc. Foreshadowing—Content in the poem which gives an indication of the direction the poem will take, allows 	 Reading Comprehension Critical reading Understanding poets' social, historical and cultural contexts Evaluation of poets' choices, intent and effect on reader Comparing poems Approaches to unseen poems Writing To summarise, argue, analyse and evaluate; discussing and maintaining a point of view Selecting key points; using quotations Standard English: accurate SPAG 	Formative Bi Weekly Assessments Worksheets Homework Peer assessment Student presentations Self-marking exercises Summative Class tests Trial mock examination

		 people to guess what will happen or the poet to prepare the reader 		
Spring 1	Literature Paper 1 Section B A strange case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde Robert Louis Stevenson Or A Christmas Carol Charles Dickens English Literature Paper 2 An Inspector Calls	Point of view- the vantage point or perspective from which a literary work is told • 1st person point of view- the narrator is a character in the story (use of 'I') • 2nd person point of view- the speaker addresses the listener or reader directly, using "you" • 3rd person point of view- the narrator is outside of the story (use of 'he' 'she' 'they') * may be limited or omniscient Key Terms Class Apprehensive Hierarchy Combustion Privilege Misanthropic The Supernatural Vices Capacious Avarice Facetious Transgression Victorian Compromise Consequences Consequences Consequences Context- Victorian Era	 Reading: Exploring plot, characters, themes Critical reading Understanding writers' social, historical and cultural contexts Evaluation of a writer's choices, intent and effect on reader Making judicious inferences and comment on the writer's intent and effect on reader Writing To argue, analyse and evaluate; discussing and maintaining a point of view Summarise and synthesise information or ideas within texts. Selecting key points; using quotations Standard English: accurate SPAG Write using Standard English and correct SPAG Use a wide vocabulary 	Formative
Spring 2	Literature Paper 1 Section A	Key Terms: Allude, allusion Chiasmus	Reading Comprehension Exploring plot, characters, themes	Formative • Bi Weekly Assessments

	Macbeth	 Despot, Despotic 	Critical reading	 Worksheets
	English Language Paper 1 Section B	 Dramatic Irony Diabolic, Diabolical Characteristic of absolute evil Embody, Embodies Equivocal, Equivocator Foreshadows, foreshadowing Hallucination Hamartia Hubris Iambic pentameter Juxtaposition Machiavellian Cunning, scheming, unscrupulous, especially in politics Pathetic fallacy Blank verse Protagonist Antagonist Themes: Loyalty/Betrayal Ambition Appearance vs Reality The Supernatural Point of view Characterisation /Characters as a social construct Plot Development	 Critical reading Understanding the playwright's social, historical and cultural contexts Evaluation of the playwright's choices, intent and effect on reader Writing Memorising key themes, context, quotations and plot Exam skills use knowledge gained from wide reading to inform and improve own writing. write effectively and coherently using Standard English appropriately. Develop creative writing skills use grammar correctly, punctuate and spell accurately 	 Worksneets Homework Peer assessment Student presentations Self-marking exercises Panel Discussions Debates Thought Tracking Conscience Alley Summative Class tests Termly trial / mock examination
Summer 1	English Language Paper 2	Outline the structure of letters and newspaper	Reading	Formative
		articles, including heading and sub-headings;	Comprehension	Bi Weekly
	Sections A and B	attention grabbing openings; development of	Critical reading	Assessments
		the body; closing; anecdotal references;Create letters and articles, utilising appropriate	Evaluation of a writer's choices, intent and effect on reader	WorksheetsHomework
		structures and techniques.	Comparing texts	HomeworkPeer assessment
		 Pinpoint target audience and purpose of various 	Companing texts	Student
		nonfiction forms of writing, including	Writing	presentations

advertisements, newspaper articles and
editorials

 Further explore additional techniques including tricolon, repetition of ideas, sarcasm, counter arguments, analogy, and direct address.

Key Terms

- Alliteration
- Antithesis
- Assonance
- Atmosphere
- Cliché
- Colloquialism
- Connotation
- Ellipsis
- Foregrounding
- Figurative language
- Idiom
- Juxtaposition
- Simile
- Metaphor
- Monosyllabic words
- Onomatopoeia
- Parallelism
- Parenthetical remark
- Personification
- Sarcasm
- Syntax

- To explain, summarise, argue, persuade, analyse and evaluate; discussing and maintaining a point of view
- Selecting key points; using quotations
- Standard English: accurate SPAG
- Read and understand a range of texts from the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries
- Write using Standard English and correct SPAG
- Use a wide vocabulary
- Make comparisons between texts
- Summarise information and ideas from texts
- Use knowledge gained from wide reading to inform own writing

 Self-marking exercises

Summative

- Class tests
 - Termly trial / mock examination