



# English Language



ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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## Exam Structure

The course consists of two examinations. Component 1 is 1 hour 45 minutes (worth 40% of the final grade). Component 2 is 2 hours long (worth 60% of the final grade).

## What will I study in GCSE English Language?

In preparation for Component 1, students will study a range of fictional extracts, developing their skills of comprehension, inference and the writer's effect. They will need to secure a sound understanding of linguistic and literary techniques. In preparation for the second part of the paper, students will be asked to write a short narrative based on a selection of titles.

In preparation for Component 2, students will analyse and explore a range of non-fictional tasks, and develop their ability to write leaflets, reviews, articles, reports, speeches and letters.

## What skills can I gain from studying English Language?

Studying English Language helps to sharpen your analytical skills. Employers say that one of the most valuable things they look for in the people who work for them is good communication skills and this means writing and presentation as well as talking. Being able to write a good cover letter, which is free from mistakes, can also be key to getting that job in the first place.

Essentially, whenever you need to persuade, inform or connect with someone, English is your best friend.

## What career paths would English Language be suitable for?

English is good for any job that involves communication, writing and or literary knowledge.

These include: advertising and marketing, writing and journalism, law, consultancy, business, teaching, performing arts, academia, government, linguistics, foreign

languages, media and design. You could even be a freelance writer, which we think is one of the world's best jobs!

## Subject Combination

In a nutshell, English goes with everything. It's especially helpful with essay subjects like history or politics and goes well with social science subjects that look at human behaviour, such as psychology or sociology.

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