



## 100% EXAMINATION

### English Language GCSE:

**Paper 1:** Reading and writing fiction 50% - 1hr 45min

**Paper 2:** Reading and writing non-fiction and literary non-fiction 50% -1hr 45min

20% of the final grade is an assessment of students' vocabulary, sentence structure, spelling and punctuation.

**Speaking:** Students will be given a grade for their speaking which will be recorded separately on their GCSE certificate.

### English Literature GCSE:

**Paper 1:** Shakespeare and the nineteenth century novel 40% - 1hr 45min

**Paper 2:** Modern texts and poetry 60% - 2hrs 15mins



## FURTHER EDUCATION

GCSE English Language and GCSE English Literature offer clear progression to A level study. You will develop skills of enquiry, informed personal responses and become skilled at supporting ideas with evidence from texts you have studied. These are transferable skills valuable to any higher education course.



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Most employers want good qualifications in English. This subject offers countless career paths from Teaching, Public Relations, Business, Law, to work in Media and Journalism.



## AQA WEBSITE

Click on the link above to download full specification/s.

## WHAT IS THIS COURSE ABOUT?

The course will enable students of all abilities to develop the skills they need to read, understand and analyse a wide range of different texts covering the 19th, 20th and 21st century time periods as well as to write clearly, coherently and accurately using a range of vocabulary and sentence structures.

## WHAT SKILLS WILL I DEVELOP?

Writing and speaking in different styles for different audiences; ability to read a variety of different texts from spoken language to well-known literary novels, plays and poems; essay writing techniques using evidence to support your viewpoints; high quality thinking, enquiry and discussion and understanding how the media affects the way we think. You will also develop the accuracy of your writing; you will practise your paragraphing, use a variety of sentence types and spelling.