

English Language & Literature *Advanced Level*

Overview

Do you enjoy creative writing, as well as reading and analysing a range of different text types? Do you want an element of choice with the texts you choose to study? The OCR English Language and Literature specification provides you with the opportunity to both read and write a wide variety of different texts, including non-fiction, narrative, novels, plays and poetry. This course is ideal for anyone who is creative, analytical and motivated by the prospect of studying a breadth of texts in a variety of different ways.

Awarding Organisation:
OCR

Minimum course requirements:
GCSE Grade 5+ in both English Language and Literature

More information:
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Curriculum and assessment

COMPONENT 1 Exploring Non-Fiction and Spoken Texts (16%)

Students will study an anthology of twenty different spoken and written texts from different time periods and contexts.

Students will be assessed for this component through a 1 hour examination at the end of the two year course.

COMPONENT 2 The Language of Poetry and Plays (32%)

Students will study a poetry collection by one poet from a choice of six. Students will also study one drama text from a choice of six.

Students will be assessed for this component through a 2 hour examination at the end of the two year course.

COMPONENT 3 Reading as a Writer, Writing as a Reader (32%)

Students will study one novel from a choice of six. Students will also study narrative writing.

Students will be assessed for this component through a 2 hour examination at the end of the two year course.

COMPONENT 4 Independent Study – Analysing and Producing Texts (20%)

Students will study one post-2000 text in conjunction with another text of their choice. Students will also study non-fiction writing.

Students will be assessed for this component through coursework during the second year of the course.

Post 18 opportunities

Language and Literature students have gone on to careers in Journalism, Advertising, Broadcasting, Law, Social Science and Teaching.

Destinations of students in recent years:

Exeter University – English

Bath Spa University – Publishing and Creative Writing

University of East Anglia – Medicine

Expenses

Students will be required to purchase their own copies of the set texts. The department also runs optional theatre trips and external study days that students may wish to attend. These visits will incur additional costs.