

GCSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Why study AQA English Language?

AQA English Language has been designed to inspire and motivate students. It provides appropriate stretch and challenge whilst ensuring, as far as possible, that the assessment and texts are accessible to the full range of students.

What do we study in AQA English Language?

Paper 1: Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing 50%

Section A: Reading

One literature fiction text

Section B: Writing

Descriptive or narrative writing

Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives 50%

Section A: Reading

One non-fiction text and one literary non-fiction text

Section B: Writing

Writing to present a viewpoint



GCSE ENGLISH LITERATURE

Why study AQA English Literature?

AQA has designed a specification to inspire, challenge and motivate every student. It takes a skills-based approach to the study of English Literature that is consistent across the genres. Their range of texts has been chosen to cater for the needs of teachers and students in all educational contexts.

What do we study in AQA English Literature?

Paper 1: Shakespeare and the 19th-century novel 40%

Section A: Students will answer one question on their Shakespearian text. Section B: Students will answer one question a 19th-century novel.

Paper 2: Modern texts and poetry 60%

Section A: Students will answer one question on their modern prose or drama text.

Section B: Students will answer one comparative question on one named poem and one other poem from their anthology cluster.

Section C: Students will answer one question on an unseen poem and then another question comparing this poem with a second unseen poem.