## Key Stage 5 Curriculum Map - English Language

Language is both a creative tool for expression and a means for social connection. By studying A-level English Language you'll develop a critical awareness of the world around you.

You'll be able to utilise your communication and analytical skills to navigate through your professional and personal life. You'll also learn how to adapt your skillset for various mediums such as film, news or sales.

A-level English Language will build on the knowledge you've gained in your GCSEs further and prepare you for higher education. Whatever you decide to study, if you do decide to, you're able to draw from your English language knowledge.

Most university courses will require some form of written element, even in the more practical courses. So being able to effectively and engagingly communicate throughout your work is essential to achieve those higher grades.

If you don't wish to continue with your education post A-level study, then it's still a good choice. An A-level in English Language is highly valued by employers as an internationally recognised qualification in a core subject.

By studying A-level English Language you'll gain an advanced understanding of language study. You'll develop your own writing style and identity to be able to write for a variety of audiences and purposes.

By analysing language through the ages you'll discover how language is used and how it's changed over time.

You'll cover the variations and manipulations that have caused the English Language to evolve over centuries. That could mean analysing how gender, occupation and ethnicity played a part in the development of linguistics.

As well as covering the broader themes that affect language, you'll also study the technical and factual elements too. By understanding scientific elements such as phonology, syntax and grammar you'll enhance your knowledge of linguistics and your writing ability.

Another fascinating unit that you'll study is the development of language in children. This interesting topic gives insight on how we as humans learn our mother tongue. You'll learn about how children explore language and draw influence from their parents as well as their surroundings. This is sure to be an eye-opening module that will give you a deeper appreciation of the power of language.

		AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2	SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2
Year 12	Topic/themes/ skills covered	Language frameworks Spoken Language Written Language	Language and Gender Child Language Acquisition	Language and Power Child Language Acquisition	Language and religion, ethnicity, age Language Change	Language and Identity, technology and region Language Change	Coursework Language Change
	Assessment	On-going examstyle assessments	On-going examstyle assessments	On-going examstyle assessments	On-going examstyle assessments	On-going examstyle assessments	Mock exams

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Year 13	Topic/themes/ skills covered	Coursework Language Change	Journalism: writing from a perspective Global English	Understanding and applying theory  Completing coursework	Revision of Language and Identity	Revision of all areas of the exam	Terminal examinations
	Assessment	On-going examstyle assessments  First draft of coursework	Mock exams	Final Coursework	On-going examstyle assessments	On-going examstyle assessments	