

SCHOOL FOR ESSENTIAL SKILLS

GCSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Is this the right course for me?

GCSE English is an essential subject. The course should improve your writing, your understanding of written material and your ability to express yourself in the spoken word.

What will I need to join the course?

In order to pass your GCSE English Language it is essential that you:

- Maintain a high level of attendance
- Complete all written assignments by the deadline specified
- Participate fully in all class activities including discussions

Also required is a Pocket Dictionary and Thesaurus

What will I be doing?

Written coursework will focus upon:

- 1) Personal writing
 - a) writing from your imagination to create fictional works
 - b) factual, informative writing based on a topic of interest
- 2) Response to literature
 - a) a written response to a Shakespeare play
 - b) a response to a novel and a selection of poetry

Oral coursework will be integrated with reading and writing tasks. You will complete a range of activities for the following purposes:

- explain, describe, narrate
- explore, analyse, imagine
- discuss, argue, persuade

Final Examination

There will be one final examination in June.

How will my progress on the course be assessed?

The final grade you achieve will depend on a combination of the work you do during the year and a final written examination.

How long will the course last and what patterns of attendance are available?

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The course runs from September to June

Wednesday 9.15am – 12.30pm **OR** 6.00pm – 8.00pm

What will I achieve?

GCSE English Language.

What will it cost?

Tuition Fee (Day or Eve): TBC

Examination Fee: TBC

Students under 19 do not pay tuition or exam fees.

How many students will be in the class?

Approximately 16

And the future?

GCSE English is a requirement for virtually all careers.

What should I do now?

If you wish to be interviewed for a place on this course, please complete an application form and return it to the **Reception** or **The Advice Centre**.

If you have any queries please ring **The Advice Centre** on freephone 0800 854 695 which is open from 10.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

It is the policy of this College that everyone is entitled to equality of opportunity in education and training.

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