A Level English Language

at The Warriner School



English Language A Level
Examination Board & Subject Code:

AQA English Language: 7702

Entry Requirements: GCSE qualification in English Language to the Minimum of a Grade 6

GCSE qualification in English Literature to a Minimum of a Grade 6

Subject Overview:

The English Language A Level course asks key questions at the heart of communication—How do people use language differently? Why do people use language differently? What is going on beneath the surface of the language we all use every day?

Students develop their understanding of the workings of the English language, engage critically with a variety of data sources, debate topics and discourses that span disciplines, and practise their research and independent working skills.

Topics of study include the use of different Englishes from around the world, variation amongst social groups, the ways that language is changing in the modern world, the way humans learn to read and write, and how text creators use language to create meanings and representations that influence their audiences.

A Level Language at a Glance:

Component 1:

Language, the Individual and Society: written paper [40%] 2 hours 30 minutes, 100 marks

Section A – 70 marks Section B – 30 marks

Component 2:

Language Diversity and Change: written paper [40%] 2 hours 30 minutes, 100 marks

Section A – 30 marks Section B – 70 marks

Component 3:

Non-exam assessment [Coursework 20%] 100 marks: Investigation - 50%: Original Writing and Commentary - 50%

Resources and Support

Cambridge University Press and Collins are the endorsed AQA publishers for this specification.

A-level English Language for AQA Student Book (CUP) (print and digital resources).

AQA A-level English Skills: Student Book (Collins) (print).

Future Careers:

Journalist, Museum Curator, Editor, Lawyer, Publisher, Teacher, Media work, Writer, Academic, Officer in the Armed Forces, Researchers in a wide variety of disciplines, Librarian.

Questions:

If you have any questions about this course please ask any of the English A Level team:

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