

Year 12 English Language

Subject Title	GCE AS and A Level English Language	
Exam board	AQA	
Specification code	7701	
Exam details	Paper 1: Language and the individual - 1h30 Paper 2: Language Diversity - 1h30	
Setting arrangements	Students are not set	
Time allowed	11 lessons per fortnight	
Link to the Toolkit:	Paper 1 Resources Paper 2 Resources Course Handbooks	
Textbooks and revision guides	A/AS Level English Language for AQA student book ISBN: 978-1-1074-6562-6	
Homework information	Set weekly Extended exam style questions Revision for skills/knowledge tests Research of linguistic theories/theorists	

Term	Topics	Skills	Assessment
1	Paper 1 Introduction Textual modes, purposes and producers & frameworks overview Lexis & word classes Paper 2 Language Variations (Diversity) Introduction Spoken language features Gender	AO1: Apply appropriate methods of language analysis, using associated terminology and coherent written expression. AO2: Demonstrate critical understanding of concepts and issues relevant to language use AO3: Analyse and evaluate how contextual factors and language features are associated with the construction of meaning. AO4: Explore connections across texts, informed by linguistic concepts and methods.	Knowledge test x2 (20 marks, 60% pass) In class exam question x1 per paper. (other opportunities for essay practice set as homework/classwork at teacher discretion)

		AO5: Demonstrate expertise and creativity in the use of English to communicate in different ways.	
2	Paper 1 Linguistic Frameworks Semantics, grammar & discourse structure Applying linguistic frameworks on real texts Paper 2 Language Variations (Diversity) Regional variation Occupation	AOs:1-5	Knowledge test x2 (20 marks, 60% pass) In class exam question x1 per paper. (other opportunities for essay practice set as homework/classwork at teacher discretion)
3	NEA Component Original Writing Coursework Choosing and annotating a style model Produce original writing Produce commentary on original writing Paper 2 Language Variations (Diversity) Social groups identity Sexuality Ethnicity	AOs:1-5	Knowledge test x1 (20 marks, 60% pass) In class exam question x1 per paper. NEA carried forward to Y13 (other opportunities for essay practice set as homework/classwork at teacher discretion)
4	Paper 1 Meanings and Representations Exam questions and guided writing Revision Mock/AS exam practice Q1 & 2 Paper 2 Language Variations (Diversity) Finishing content Revision Mock/AS exam practice	AOs: 1-5	Knowledge test x2 (20 marks, 60% pass) In class exam question x1 per paper. (other opportunities for essay practice set as homework/classwork at teacher discretion)
5	Paper 1 Meanings and Representations Revision Mock/AS exam practice Q3 Paper 2 Meanings and Representations	AOs: 1-5	Focused revision for exam questions Timed practice writing examination responses in preparation for internal/external

	Revision Mock/AS exam practice Q3		examinations as appropriate
6	Paper 1 Child Language Acquisition Spoken Children's Language — Theories and Theorists Linking the theory to data Writing exam style responses NEA Component Coursework Language Investigation: Data collection and research Writing your investigation	AOs: 1-5	Knowledge test x1 (20 marks, 60% pass) Reflective redraft x2 of exam question for students that completed an internal examination (other opportunities for essay practice set as homework/classwork at teacher discretion)
Links to websites and revision materials:		 Classroom resources – slideshows, handouts etc are available through Teams. Whilst useful for the odd catch-up or revision, they are not intended to replicate the experience you get from being in the lesson. As a faculty we have a subscription to The English and Media Centre's magazine EMAG specifically written for A Level English Literature and Language students. The British Library website has some excellent student friendly resources too. There is a library of resources available to borrow on request. For past papers, mark schemes and details of the specification, you can visit the AQA website (https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/as-and-a-level/english-language-7701-7702) 'I love English language' is a useful tool for reading articles and revising key theorists and terminology (https://aggslanguage.wordpress.com) Further reading list for Paper 2 	