

English Language & Literature

(Combined)

Examination Board: Edexcel (9EL0)

GCSE Required: English Language at Grade 6
Skills: Love of reading

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What is covered in the course:

- Study of a variety of non-literary and digital texts in *Voices in Speech and Writing: An Anthology*
- Study of one compulsory prose fiction 'anchor' text from a choice of two and one other literary text on our chosen theme, 'Society and the Individual.' Currently these two texts are 'The Great Gatsby' and 'Othello'.
- Study of one modern drama text, currently 'Equus', by Peter Shaffer.
- A coursework unit on a free choice of topic, comprising of three tasks: one piece of creative fiction and one piece of non-fiction, with an analytical commentary.
Internally assessed coursework

How will the subject be taught:

A variety of teaching methods will be employed to develop your thinking, writing and analytical skills as will your confidence in presenting your opinions. You will be encouraged to lead as well as participate in seminar style lessons, undertake individual projects and work in small groups. Under staff guidance you will be encouraged to develop your own independent learning and research skills.

What opportunities come with this subject:

The knowledge gained of a range of literary and linguistic approaches and applications in the Lang/Lit combined course complements study of other subjects at A level, while also preparing you for the rigours of English studies at degree level.

Higher Education/Career Implications:

This is recognised as a demanding academic subject by both universities and future employers in areas such as journalism, broadcasting, law, advertising, teaching, business communications and public relations, as well as editing, publishing and research. The breadth and variety of career options in the subject is indicated by some famous names, all English graduates: Renee Zellweger, Danny Boyle, Stephen Fry, Ian Hislop, Emma Thompson and Alistair McGowan.