

EASTBURY SUBJECT CURRICULUM

Subject KS4 IGCSE CIE English Language and IGCE AQA Certificate English Literature
Year 10 and 11

Overview

What will I study?

- English Language challenges you to read and understand a wide range of fiction and non-fiction texts, testing skills such as: defining vocabulary; skimming and scanning text; locating and summarising information; explaining language effects on the reader and transforming ideas from stimulus texts in to their own writing in a range of genres.
- English Literature will build on the skills developed at KS3 to enable you to respond to literature texts of poetic, script and prose form. You will write a comparative essay as coursework based on two or more studied texts, and you will study poetry and one set text in preparation for the exam. (Text choices will vary from class to class and essay questions will allow learners to draw on their own reading experiences alongside studied texts.) You will also learn about essay writing and academic vocabulary and expression.

By the end of the two years, students should become:

- Confident in working with information and ideas – their own and those of others
- Responsible for themselves, responsive to and respectful of others
- Reflective as learners, developing their ability to learn
- Innovative and equipped for new and future challenges
- Engaged intellectually and socially, ready to make a difference.

Assessment

Both courses consist of coursework and exam components.

CIE IGCSE English Language:

- 60% of the course is made up of the Speaking and Listening and Written Coursework Portfolio and 40% is the exam.
- 40% is awarded to the Written Coursework Portfolio and is made up of three pieces of written coursework which tests both reading and writing skills.
- 20% is awarded for the Speaking and Listening Coursework Portfolio. This is made up of three recordings: individual, paired and group.

AQA IGCSE English Literature:

- 40% of the course is made up of a comparative piece of coursework.
- 60% is a written exam comprising of two sections: Unseen Poetry and Studied Text

Exams:

- **Language Reading Paper (40%) - May**
- **Literature Paper (60%)**

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
Year 10	Language Coursework 1: S&L CW	Language CW+ Descriptive Writing S+L CW	Literature CW + Language CW
Year 11	Language Exam Practice	Literature Exam Practice	Lang + Lit External exam

Year 10

During Year 10 students are introduced to the core skills of the course and develop their confidence in using them through exposure to increasingly challenging texts. The year is spent completing coursework for both Language and Literature courses.

Autumn 1: Descriptive Coursework

Autumn 2: Argument Coursework + speaking listening individual

Spring 1: Response to text coursework + speaking and listening paired

Spring 2: Literature text study + coursework

Summer 1: Coursework intervention

Summer 2: Literature exam text (while embedding language exam skills of comprehension, selection and summary) – Language Mock exam.

Year 11

(Due to changes in curriculum, this represents the Year 11 Cohort 14-15 programme of study only and will change next year).

In Year 11, students prepare for both Literature and Language exams. In May of Year 11, students will sit final exams for both Language and Literature.

Autumn 1: Language Exam skills Week 5 Language Mock 1

Unseen Poetry

Autumn 2: Language skills Dec - Language Mock 2,

Spring 1: Exam text + Unseen Poetry preparation Literature Mock 1

Spring 2: Language

Summer 1: Lit & Lang revision May – Final Language Exam

June – Final Literature Exam

Units studied

Language

Students will study a range of writing skills and will be asked to either write:

Coursework 40%	Coursework 1: informative, analytical and/or argumentative Coursework 2: descriptive and/or narrative Coursework 3: a response to a text or texts
Speaking and Listening Coursework 20%	Students will be doing three recordings: individual, paired and group which discusses and explores chosen topic
Literature Coursework 40%	Comparative essay between two chosen texts. Students will be asked to explore the connections between the texts.
Homework:	<p>The English Department have a wide range of online learning resources, alongside a variety of specialist books and magazines to support students' home learning. Students are given revision materials to aid them with their coursework and exams.</p> <p>Homework is published on Show My Homework and is an integral part of the coursework. Students completing art GCSE should be prepared to be self-motivated and enthusiastic about the subject and their ideas.</p> <p>Students on GCSE can expect opportunities to visit the theatre to watch plays being performed.</p>
Useful resources	<p>IGCSE text book reference</p> <p>Here are some excellent websites for research and information: BBC Bitesize English http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/English/ Eastbury Shared Resources http://ecs-sr-lga2/eastbury/Pages/Default.aspx Poetry Archive</p> <p>Some apps you can download are: GCSE Podcast</p>