

English Language and Literature GCSEs

Information for students who will sitting their exams in summer 2018

From 2017, all qualifications in English Language and Literature are 'linear' – this means that the qualification is gained through examination at the very end of the course (as opposed to 'modular' qualifications which are examined in stages throughout the course).

- 100% examination – no coursework
- All students sit the same exams, i.e. no Foundation or Higher
- Closed book exams in English Literature, i.e. students do not have access to the texts during the exam
- Four exams in total (2 x English Language and 2 x English Literature), counting for two qualifications
- Grading 1-9 (9 is equivalent of A**)
- More content and more demanding examinations

Key Texts Studied

- Macbeth by William Shakespeare
- The Strange Case of Dr. Jeckyll and Mr. Hyde by Robert Louis Stevenson
- An Inspector Calls by J. B. Priestley
- An Anthology of Poems (AQA)