

# GCSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

## WHY STUDY ENGLISH LANGUAGE?

- 01** Essential Communication Skills: Mastery of language enables you to express ideas clearly and confidently in writing and speaking.
- 02** Critical Thinking: Learning to analyse texts and language develops your ability to think critically and evaluate arguments.
- 03** Career Opportunities: Strong English skills are crucial in nearly every profession, from business to law, media, and education.
- 04**  Academic Success: English Language skills are key to achieving success in many subjects, including writing essays, reports, and exams.
- 05** Personal Empowerment: Being proficient in English helps you understand the world around you, engage with different ideas, and connect with others.

# Knowledge and Understanding

01

## READING :

- Read and respond to a wide range of texts. Improve knowledge of meaning, structure, language, and form.

02

## WRITING:



- Write effectively and coherently using appropriate Standard English. Use grammar correctly, and spell and punctuate accurately.

03

## SPEAKING:

- Discuss, debate, and present ideas confidently and clearly.

# Assessment - Two Exams

## **Paper 1: Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing**

- 1 hour 45 minutes
- 50% of GCSE
- One fiction extract
- Write a description/narrative



## **Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives**

- 1 hour 45 minutes
- 50% of GCSE
- Two non-fiction extracts
- Write a non-fiction opinion piece

# What Doing Well in English Language Can Lead To

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**01**

**University Admissions:** English Language is a key subject for university entrance, supporting courses in humanities, social sciences, and more.

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**04**

**Personal Development:** A deeper understanding of language can improve critical thinking, creativity, and confidence in expressing ideas.

**02**

**Career Opportunities:** Many careers require good English skills, including roles in law, media, teaching, marketing, and business.

**05**

**Global Opportunities:** Proficiency in English opens doors internationally, as English is widely used in business, travel, and academia.

**03**

**Improved Communication Skills:** Strong written and verbal communication abilities are crucial in all areas of life and work.

**"The limits of my  
language mean the  
limits of my world."—  
Ludwig Wittgenstein**