

# English Language

GCSE Core Qualification - AQA

Course Leader: **Mr Cooper**

## Successful learner profile

- Enjoys reading a variety of texts.
- Has good communication skills.
- Can present own ideas both orally and in writing.
- Can work well independently and with others.

## All about this core qualification

- English Language is a compulsory subject at GCSE.
- Students will develop a wide range of communication and interpretation skills. This is a fantastic qualification which will empower students by developing a diverse range of essential skills for life.

## What will you study?

- Reading: you will read a wide range of non-fiction texts, including texts from pre-1900.
- Writing: you will write for a wide range of audiences and purposes, non-fiction and creative.
- Spoken Language: you will present to an audience and respond to questions. This is assessed separately from the GCSE.

## How will you be assessed?

- There are two examinations:
- Paper 1 (50%): Explorations in creative reading and writing.
  - Paper 2 (50%): Writers' viewpoints and perspectives.
  - Spoken Language: Presenting and responding features in the assessment of this GCSE.

## Possible progression post 16

- AS Literature.
- A good grade in English is a good foundation for all subjects at Advanced Level.

## Weblinks

[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize)

Balanced | Rigorous | Coherent | Vertically Integrated | Appropriate | Relevant