



PLUME ACADEMY - LEARNING OVERVIEW

Year	12
Course	GCSE English Language
Specification Number/Exam Board	AQA
Examination Papers and Weighting	8700/1 – 50% 8700/2 -50% Speaking and Listening carried over from y11

Prior Learning

The course builds on prior learning by... revisiting their KS4 studies for the GCSE English Language course focusing on reading for meaning, analysing language and structure and improving writing skills. We will continue to develop students' approaches to examinations to support them in achieving a Grade 4 and above.

Curriculum Intent – What are the curriculum aims?

Brief description of overall course aims here

- To develop understanding of how to communicate effectively through writing.
- To study a range of texts, developing skills of inference, analysis and evaluation.
- To develop insight into writers' intentions and crafting of language, in the analysis of other's writing and in their own writing.

Curriculum Implementation – What will my child will be learning?

Term 1	Half Term 1	8700/1 – Fiction 8700/2 – Non Fiction	} Examination skills: Reading for meaning; non-fiction and creative writing. Literacy skills.
	Half Term 2	November GCSE English Language resit – external examination 8700/1 and 8700/2 –Non- fiction and creative writing. Literacy skills.	
Term 2	Half Term 3	Examination results from November examination 8700/1 – Fiction 8700/2 – Non Fiction Mock examination	} Examination skills: Reading for meaning; non-fiction and creative writing. Literacy skills.
	Half Term 4	8700/1 – Fiction 8700/2 – Non Fiction	
Term 3	Half Term 5	8700/1 – Fiction 8700/2 – Non Fiction	} Examination skills: Reading for meaning; non-fiction and creative writing. Literacy skills.
		Summer GCSE English Language resit – External examination	



Curriculum Impact – How will my child be assessed and receive feedback?

Examinations:

8700/1 Fiction – Reading and Writing

8700/2 – Non Fiction – Reading and Writing

In-class: Exam question responses, extended written pieces, annotations, selected notes, peer/solo presentations – a range of informal assessment opportunities which will receive a combination of verbal and written feedback from teaching staff, dependent on the work produced.

Super-Curricular Opportunities – Supporting and Extending Learning

Useful study resources	If a student is really passionate about this subject they can...
<p>BBC Bitesize</p> <p>getrevising.co.uk/resources/level/gcse</p> <p>Youtube – Revision videos for GCSE English Language and support videos for literacy skills.</p> <p>studywise.co.uk – resources and revision guides for GCSE English Language.</p> <p>EnglishBiz.co.uk – resources and materials to support revision for GCSE English Language.</p>	<p>Read widely: Read as many different types of texts as you can so that you build confidence in looking at unseen texts in the exams.</p> <p>Practise your examination skills using past papers which are available on different websites.</p> <p>Improve your spelling, punctuation and grammar by looking at Youtube tutorials.</p>

Suggested additional reading to complement course materials:

Short stories and novels - these are the types of texts they will be examined on in the Fiction paper 8700/1.

Newspapers, magazines, travel writing and online blogs – these are the types of texts they will be examined on in the Non-fiction paper 8700/2.

GCSE for post-16 - AQA GCSE English Language for post-16: Student Book – Collins

GCSE English Language AQA Complete Revision & Practice - Grade 9-1 Course - CGP