

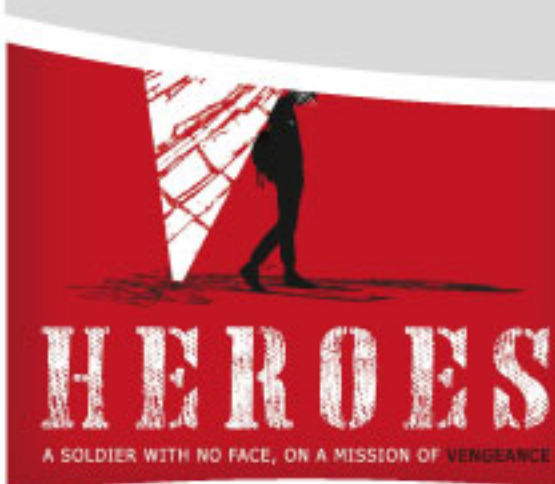
GCSE English

English will enable you to demonstrate the speaking and listening, reading and writing skills that are required to participate in society and the world of work effectively and with confidence. You will be able to develop your ability to access and retrieve information from a broad range of written material by understanding and evaluating the purpose of the text. You will have the opportunity to develop your verbal reasoning, selecting speech appropriate to the situation and your audience, and become a critical reader, experiencing literary texts from different times, cultures and viewpoints.



There are two GCSEs in English: literature and language. All students will complete the English Language specification at the end of Year 11. Most students will also complete the Literature GCSE, some at the end of Year 10, others at the end of Year 11.

Your work will build on that of KS3 with speaking and listening, reading and writing linked in order to show how language works.



At Alun School,
our experienced teaching team provide expert guidance and tuition.

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Assessment Information

Examining Board: WJEC Accreditation: GCSE Grades A* - G

The main areas that you will look at are:

Reading: discussion of and writing about all types of written material from novels and autobiographies to advertisements and articles,

Speaking and Listening: using talk to explore ideas, to argue a case and to give a presentation,

Writing: in a variety of forms e.g. stories, articles, letters.

Assessment:

English Language - assessment is based upon speaking and listening assessments and final written examinations,

English Literature - two controlled assessment tasks, based on poetry and Shakespeare, that make up 25% of qualification,

- two 120 minute written examinations which test your responses to two novels, a play, and two unseen poems that make up 75% of qualification.

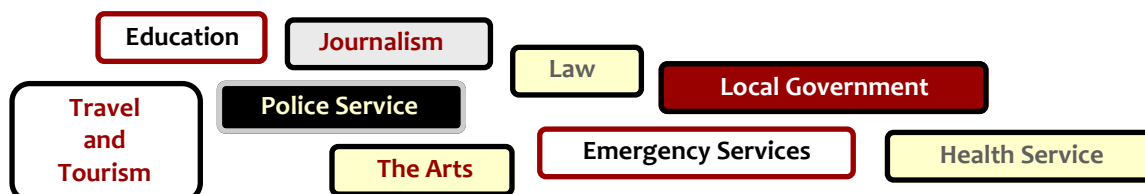
Who is suitable for this course?

All students will follow the GCSE English Language course, with most also studying GCSE English Literature.

Why should I take this course?

All career paths will require the ability to effectively communicate whether verbally or in written form and the ability to understand written text, whether in the form of instructions or reports.

GCSE English will give you an excellent grounding for career opportunities within:



Future Options

After studying GCSE English you could:

Study Advanced Level English Language or English Literature in the Sixth Form;

Study for a degree in a English-related course or other subject at university;

Get a job that requires the ability to communicate effectively in English.

For Further Information

Please contact the English department.

