

## English Language A Level

### **Course outline**

Have you ever wondered how we learn to speak, read and write? Or, ever wondered how genre, purpose and audience could influence language? Maybe you want to know how language has changed over time?

Well, if that sounds interesting, then A-level English Language could be the perfect option for you! The course aims to introduce you to a wide selection of multimodal texts that you might not have analysed in your English lessons before, including blogs, television and radio transcripts, tweets and speeches.

You will find that lots of the skills that you learnt for GCSE English Language are still relevant at A-level however, you will also be given the opportunity to learn brand new skills, which will prove invaluable for your future. Over the two-year course, you will be encouraged to complete data analysis, original and discursive writing, independent research and critical reading in order to effectively prepare you for your exams and NEA.

### **How you will be assessed**

#### **Paper 1 = 40% of A-level**

##### **Section A**

- Textual Variations and Representations (70 marks)

##### **Section B**

- Children's Language Development (30 marks)

#### **Paper 2 = 40% of A-level**

##### **Section A**

- Diversity and Change (30 marks)

##### **Section B**

- Language Discourses (70 marks)

#### **NEA = 20% of A-level**

- Language Investigation and Original Writing (100 marks)

### **Entry requirements**

Grade 6 or above in GCSE English Language

### **Where could the course take you**

An A Level in English Language could lead to a career in:

- Advertising
- Marketing
- Writing
- Journalism
- Teaching
- Law