



EXAM CHANGES 2022

GCSE English Language

Exam Board: AQA

SUMMARY OF ADAPTATIONS

- There is no advance information for Paper 1 due to the nature of the source and questions in this paper
- For Paper 2, the students will be given two extracts; one being a 21st century autobiographical writing extract and one a 19th century essay
- The Q5 question will ask students to focus on article writing

HOW THE SCHOOL IS USING THIS INFORMATION

- Practice questions will be adapted to reflect summer 2022 exams.
- Intervention sessions will focus on the topics for each paper and the adaptations for paper 2.
- Intervention and revision lessons will take into consideration any changes to paper 2.
- Teaching will focus on key skills for article writing and how to maximise marks in the examination
- Revision will be focussed on specific questions for each paper.

WHAT STUDENTS SHOULD DO

- Understand how to analyse autobiographical writing and essay writing to identify areas of strength and weakness
- Understand how to write an article using top tips, revision notes from class
- Follow the revision plan – completing each revision homework.
- Revise the areas identified as an area of weakness – but do not neglect revising topics that are a strength. These are where most marks will be picked up.
- Attend lunchtime sessions for English every Thursday. Teachers will be delivering specific topics focussed on the GCSE exam.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 1 – QUESTIONS

Paper 1: Explorations in creative reading and writing	Detail
Reading	
Q1 – List 4 things	List four things about a character/setting from certain lines given from the text
Q2 – Language analysis	To analyse how a writer uses language for effect from certain lines given from the text
Q3 – Structural analysis	To analyse how a writer has structured the text to interest the reader – whole text
Q4 - Evaluation	To evaluate/make a judgement/create an argument as to how far you agree to a certain question given
Writing	
Q5 – Creative Writing	To write a description based on a picture or a story about a certain theme which is linked to the reading section

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2 – QUESTIONS

Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives	Detail: An autobiographical writing extract and a 19th century essay will be used for Source A and B
Reading	
Q1 – True/False question	Read a certain part of Source A and shade in four statements that may be true or false
Q2 – Summary question	Use details from both sources to write a summary of either similarities or differences according the question given
Q3 – Language analysis	How does the writer use language from Source A to describe how the writer is feeling/attitudes to etc.
Q4 – Comparison question	How does the writer convey their attitudes, feelings and perspectives (Source A and Source B)
Writing	
Q5 – Article writing	To write an article in which you argue your point of view on a given statement You are advised to plan for this question