

# English Language

	Date	Duration	What's on the paper?
Paper 1: Creative Reading and Writing (50% of GCSE)	4 June	1 hour 45 minutes	Response to one unseen literary source  Writing to Describe
Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives (50% of GCSE)	7 June	1 hour 45 minutes	Response to two unseen non-fiction sources  Writing to persuade

## What you will need to revise

### Reading Sections

- What is on each paper and the focus of each question
- The structures taught to you in class regarding how to approach each question
- The timings of each question: you need to write quickly!
- Practise looking at a variety of sources and considering how language shapes meaning
- Completing practice questions for your teacher to mark really is the best revision for this section

### Writing Sections

- Any spellings you know you might get wrong: especially high frequency commonly misspelt words
- The list of fluency phrases which make your writing sound sophisticated
- How to plan: planning the answers to a variety of questions is very useful indeed
- How best to structure your answers: you could learn the methods from the placemats
- A variety of sophisticated vocabulary which you can include in any answer

### Placemats:

You will be issued with a placemat by your class teacher

Use these to revise the strategies for each question and to help guide you when doing practice papers



Useful websites:

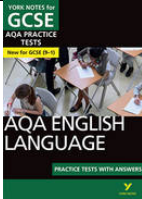


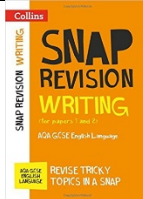
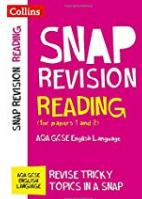
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Recommended revision guides:

				
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Good for: practice papers	Good for: honing technical accuracy	Good for: those students with high target grades	Good for: Short but effective revision exercises for writing	Good for: Short but effective revision exercises for reading

Key dates, exams and intervention:

	In class focus	What could you be revising at home?	Exams and intervention
Sept – Oct	LITERATURE: A CHRISTMAS CAROL AND POETRY	Spend some time revising your 'An Inspector Calls' quotes.	'A Christmas Carol' mock will be the week after half term.
Oct - Dec	LANGUAGE PAPER 2	This would be a good time to recap the poems and revise key quotes from them.	There will be a full paper 2 mock just before Christmas.
Jan - Feb	LITERATURE PAPER 1: SHAKESPEARE	Ensure you revise 'A Christmas Carol' in preparation for the Lit Paper 1 mock	There will be a full Lit paper 1 mock at the end of this half term. There will also be a 'walk through mock' on the Shakespeare text prior to this.
March - April	LANGUAGE PAPER 1 AND 2	You should continue to work on revising all your literature quotes. You may want to spend some time making mind maps for the key themes in each of your texts.	There will be mocks for both language papers just before Easter. There will also be some 'walk through mock' intervention for students.
April – May	FEEDBACK FROM MOCKS AND REVISION OF LIT TEXTS	This time should be spent doing practice papers and planning out answers to potential questions.	Your teachers will be running after school sessions to help you with last minute worries.