



## Core Subject

# English Language

### Overview

The course enables students to read a wide range of texts fluently and with good understanding and write effectively using Standard English appropriately. Students will also listen to and understand spoken language, and use spoken Standard English effectively.

In Year 9 students will work towards completion of a Step Up to English qualification in preparation for moving on to the GCSE course in Year 10.

### Assessment

Step Up to English students complete three externally set non-exam Reading and Writing assessments and two Speaking and Listening assessments.

Functional Skills is assessed by two short externally set exams and two controlled Speaking and Listening internal assessments.

For GCSE, assessment is by two externally set exams at the end of the course.

### Yr 9 Foundation:

AQA Step Up to English

### Yr 10-11 Progression:

Edexcel Functional Skills Level 1 or 2

Edexcel GCSE English Language

### Additional Qualifications:

Confident readers and writers may be offered the chance to complete a GCSE in English Literature

### Post-16 Progression:

English is an essential qualification for moving on to post-16 Level 2 and 3 courses