



ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSE OUTLINE

Subject: English Language	
Term	Main Assessment task
Autumn 1	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehension of Texts from the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries. Writing Skills – How to write a narrative. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> End of Half Term Test comprising of a comprehension task (30 marks) and writing a narrative. (40 marks)
Autumn 2	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehension of Texts from the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries. Writing Skills – Descriptive writing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> End of Half Term Test. Writing a summary on a text (25 marks) and a descriptive writing task. (40 marks)
Spring 1	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaking and listening skills. Further writing skill practice. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speaking and Listening assessment. (Component 3 of the exam. A writing task, which will require the composing of an argumentative letter or article. (40 marks)
Spring 2	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comparison of various texts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> End of half term assessment comparing two texts. (25 marks)
Summer 1	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revision and exam preparation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mock exam.
Summer 2	
Revision	Terminal exam



Course Description for English Language

Description

This is the IGCSE Cambridge First Language English course (0627) Grades 1-9. The course allows learners to:

- develop the ability to communicate clearly, accurately and effectively when speaking and writing
- learn how to use a wide range of vocabulary, and correct spelling, punctuation and grammar
- develop a personal style and an awareness of the audience being addressed.

Learners are also encouraged to read widely, both for their own enjoyment and to further their awareness of the ways in which English can be used. Cambridge IGCSE (9–1) First Language English also develops more general analysis and communication skills such as synthesis, inference and the ability to order facts and present opinions effectively.

The combination of knowledge and skills in Cambridge IGCSE (9–1) First Language English gives learners a solid foundation for further study. Candidates who achieve grades 4 to 9 are well prepared to follow a wide range of courses including AS & A Level English Language.

Cambridge IGCSEs are accepted and valued by leading universities and employers around the world as evidence of academic achievement. Many universities require a combination of Cambridge International AS & A Levels and Cambridge IGCSEs to meet their entry requirements.

Assessment

There are 3 components to the exam:

- Paper 1 will be a reading and comprehension paper that is worth 50% of the final mark.
- Paper 2 will be a directed writing paper that is worth 50% of the final mark.
- Component 3 is an internally assessed Speaking and Listening exam, which will last 8-10 minutes.

Out of class learning including home-learning

Regular homework will be given to students. Homework activities will either be related to the topic they are studying or will re-enforce skills needed to be successful on the course, such as punctuation and grammar.

How parents can help

- Ensure students come equipped to lessons.
- Encourage students to regularly read.
- Allow students time at home to complete homework.