WHGS Sixth Form

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English Language

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A Level Preparation Pack

Our Exam Board is: AQA

To prepare to study A-Level English language, you need to access the '<u>Leaping into Language</u>' pack and work through the activities, bringing the work from activity 1 and 2 to your first English language lesson in Year 12.

Suggested Reading

As part of your English Language studies, you will cover a wide variety of texts, so it's a good idea to familiarise yourself with as many of these as you can. To help you do this have a look at the list below for some reading and viewing suggestions.

It is a good idea to read through a variety of newspapers such as:

- The Guardian newspaper
- The Times
- The Independent
- Tabloids like The Daily Mail, The Daily Mirror and The Sun

Other texts that will be of interest are:

- Reviews of films, attractions restaurants
- Obituaries · Recipes
- Travel Writing / Guides
- Magazines (any but you could look at a variety such as women's, sports, hobbies)
- Children's Writing





Some topics you will study:

- You will develop understanding of language discourses (i.e. how negative/ positive language is used to represent ideas).
- Students will be introduced to spoken language varieties/ diversity; topics will include, language and Gender, language and Social groups, language and region, Language and Occupation, Language and Power, Accent and Dialect.
- Child Language Acquisition
- Language Change
- To get started on some of these topics you can use the **EMC Leaping into Language** document. You can find it on our website.

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