

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

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SUPPORT

You will be able to contact your class teacher by email should you require any further support during your A level studies and a Microsoft Team will be created as a forum for academic discussion and as way of sharing resources and assignments.

INTRODUCTION

You will start your English Language study with an introduction to grammar, language levels and textual analysis. You will also begin with sociolinguistics and a study of the language of social groups. In addition to this, you will be given an overview of the two-year A level and what to expect in the coming months.

WHAT TO BRING FOR YOUR FIRST LESSON

You will need an A4 folder in which you can collate your notes – you may prefer one for each teacher or use file dividers to organize your folder. Highlighter pens, pencils, a black pen and ruler are also useful along with A4 lined paper. You will complete many lessons in booklets and will have a homework book and an assessment book. You can choose to use an exercise book for classwork if you wish.

CLASSWORK, HOMEWORK AND INDEPENDENT STUDY

In class you will engage in a range of activities which will include paired and group work, discussion, exploration of grammar through accessing different text types and a study of spoken language including analysing transcripts and creating your own. You will be encouraged to read widely around English Language, and you will be expected to start to collate your own data as well as read around the different theories that exist in English Language study. There are many fascinating articles around the way we use language that are published all the time; you will research and read these to get a sense of how language is changing around us day by day. There is an Independent Study PowerPoint with podcasts, articles and videos to watch and make notes.

RESOURCES

You will need to bring a notebook or file paper to every lesson, along with pens, pencils, highlighter and any other stationery that will help you organize your notes.