

Year 7, 8 and 9 Internal English Examinations

In the April (Y9) and May (Y7 and 8) internal examinations students will be tested on both reading and writing skills.

In the reading exam students will have a range of questions based on two non-fiction extracts to answer within 45 minutes. These questions will assess comprehension skills, selecting key evidence, language analysis and comparison skills.

In their writing exam students will have 45 minutes to plan, produce and check a piece of non-fiction viewpoint writing which will demonstrate their understanding of persuasive techniques, paragraphing, punctuation and varied vocabulary.

The exam is designed to assess the skills that they have focused on in lessons with their class teacher over the spring term.

Useful resources

To help your children prepare for all in class and exam assessments you could use resources from the following websites:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/z3kw2hv>

<http://www.educationquizzes.com/ks3/english/>

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=9&AgeGroup=4>

Additionally there are a number of excellent Key Stage 3 revision and workbooks available from Amazon and WH Smith. The English Department recommends:

CGP KS3 English Study Guide ISBN: 978 1 84762 257 0

Reading and Understanding at Key Stage 3 English: Levels 4-7 ISBN-13: 978-0993273506

CGP Key Stage 3 English The Workbook ISBN-13: 978-1847621542