

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

WHY STUDY THIS COURSE?

You will be an ideal candidate for this course if you wonder about the origins and patterns of the language we use every day! You will possess good written skills with the ability to write fluently. You will also have an enthusiasm for exploring language, for writing discursively and for increasing your knowledge of linguistics.

COURSE DETAILS

Qualification: A level English Language

Awarding Body: AQA

Entry Requirements: 5 GCSE grades A*- C/4+ including maths. English language and literature grade 5+

If you are interested in language and how it is used by different groups (for example: social, occupational, and gender) and how this can affect language choices, then this is the course for you. Additionally, the course delves into the study of how children acquire language and the different theories associated with learning to speak, read and write.

COURSE STRUCTURE & ASSESSMENT

Paper 1: Language, the individual and society

- Textual variations and representations
- Children's language development (0-11 yrs)
- Methods of language analysis

Assessment - Written examination: 2 hours 30 minutes, 100 marks, 40% of A level

Paper 2: Language Diversity and Change

- Language diversity and change
- Language discourses
- Writing skills
- Methods of language analysis

Assessment - Written examination: 2 hours 30 minutes, 100 marks, 40% of A level

Non-exam assessment: Language in action

- Language investigation (2000 words, excluding data)
- A piece of original writing and commentary (1500 words in total)

Assessment - Word count: 3500, 100 marks, 20% of A level. Assessed by teachers then moderated by AQA.

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English Language has had a huge impact on me analytically. It has allowed me to interpret a whole new side of why we use such a complex language; the necessities and impurities that entail are hard not to be infatuated by.

Lymm has not only improved my academic skills, but has given me opportunities that will benefit my future self - allowing me to take on roles that wouldn't be granted at any other college.

The staff at Lymm are one in a million; they work tirelessly to guarantee that we, as students, get the best out of our limited time here. Not only the support you receive within lessons, but also with the application process to universities or apprenticeships that you wouldn't be able to get anywhere else. Being given independence as a young adult, yet knowing that there is always someone there to talk to if I ever needed help is what makes Lymm so great!

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