

Note – as the classes are taught by two teachers, some of these are taught simultaneously.

Topic	Key Knowledge What will all students KNOW by the end of the topic?	Key Skills What key skills will be learnt/developed by the end of the topic? What will all students be able to DO by the end of the topic?	Assessment Opportunities What are the key pieces of assessment? How will students be assessed?
Introduction to Studying Language Paper 1, Language, the Individual and Society (Section A)	 All students will know: Key linguistics methods and associated terms – lexis, grammar, phonology, discourse, pragmatics, graphology The aspects that make up a text's context (genre, register, audience, mode, purpose) The format of the Paper 1 Section A exam, with a focus on Q1 The assessment objectives Strategies to read effectively and best answer the question Suggested timing for the question Top tips for effectively answering the question 	 All students should be able to: Correctly apply linguistic terminology to an analysis of a text Read and understand a range of written, spoken and multi-modal texts Structure a Q1 answer appropriately Self assess their answers against the assessment objectives 	Complete a full Q1 in exam conditions which will be marked in line with the A level markscheme Complete an early key terms test to confirm eligibility for course
Social Groups Paper 2, Language, Diversity and Change (Section A)	 All students will know: The format of the Paper 2 Section A essay-based evaluative question How to approach the question and form an argument based around the question and addressing the AOs The different elements that make up the concept of a 'social group' 	 All students should be able to: Form an argument in response to an evaluative style essay question (Paper 2 Section A) Discuss and explain key theories and case studies related to social groups Use theory and case studies to support their views and to evaluate those ideas represented in texts studied. 	- Complete 1-2 essay questions for homework based on Paper 2 Section A, with feedback provided in line with the A level markscheme, - Complete a Paper 2 Section A essay in mock exam

	 How different social groups affect the use and interpretation of different language features Some of the issues and debates surrounding social groups and how to accurately define/quantify them How social groupings will affect different elements of language use such as dialect, lexis, phonology and grammar Theory relating to social groups and language, and how to embed these and utilise them in their essays- EG Howard Giles' CAT theory Key terminology and examples that relate to social groups and language Different case studies exploring the links between social groups and language 	 Use accurate terminology to give examples of language use Self assess their answer using AOs and identify areas for development Read and understand a range of written, spoken and multi-modal texts Structure a comparison answer appropriately in relation to Paper 2 Section B Structure an opinion article appropriately when linked to the topic 	conditions which will be marked and graded using the A Level Markscheme
Creative writing NEA	 How to annotate fiction and non-fiction with key linguistic terms and identify aspects of these. How to identify different genres and associated features. Focus will be on the power of persuasion, storytelling and information. 	 All students should be able to: Correctly annotate a piece of text with appropriate terminology and discuss the effect on the reader. Read and understand a range of writing from different genres. Also identify key characteristics associated with particular genres and explain their importance. Write a creative piece linked to a particular genre and be able to justify the decisions they have made. 	All students will: Complete their Creative Writing NEA as part of their external examination
Gender Representation & Speech	All students will know: • How gender is represented in society	All students should be able to: • Correctly apply linguistic terminology to an analysis of a text	All students will: - Complete at least one full Paper 2 Section A exam question which will be marked

Paper 2, Language, Diversity and Change (Section A)	 Some of the issues surrounding gender and movements for equality. (Feminism, gender neutrality etc) The connotations surrounding lexis and linguistic terminology applied to this Theory relating to gender in speech and gender representation and how to apply these Key terminology and examples that relate to speech and representation How case studies and research surround this topic. Debates surrounding the approaches to analysing gendered language How to approach this section of the exam paper and the requirements 	 Read and understand a range of written, spoken and multi-modal texts Apply appropriate theory to support their own opinions and those ideas represented in texts studied Structure an evaluate answer appropriately Structure a comparison answer appropriately in relation to Paper 2 Section B Structure an opinion article appropriately when linked to the topic Self assess their answers against the assessment objectives 	in line with the scheme - Complete at Paper 2 Section (Comparison writing) which in line with the scheme.
Occupation	All students will know: • The format of the Paper 2 Section A essay-	All students should be able to: • Form an argument in response to an	All students will:
Paper 2, Language, Diversity and Change (Section A)	 based evaluative question How to approach the question and form an argument based around the question and addressing the AOs The different elements that make up the concept of an 'Occupation' 	 evaluative style essay question (Paper 2 Section A) Discuss and explain key theories and case studies related to occupation Use theory and case studies to support their views and to evaluate those ideas represented 	- Complete 1-2 for homeword 2 Section A, v provided in li level marksci
	 How different occupations affect the use and interpretation of different language 	in texts studied.Use accurate terminology to give examples of	- Complete a F essay in mod

- in line with the A level mark scheme
- Complete at least one full Paper 2 Section B (Comparison and creative writing) which will be marked in line with the A level mark scheme.

- How different occupations affect the use and interpretation of different language features
- Some of the issues and debates surrounding occupation and how they affect language,
- Use accurate terminology to give examples of language use
- Self assess their answer using AOs and identify areas for development
- Complete 1-2 essay questions for homework based on Paper 2 Section A, with feedback provided in line with the A level markscheme,
- Complete a Paper 2 Section A essay in mock exam conditions which will be marked and graded using the A Level mark scheme

	especially in connection with changing social and cultural contexts • How occupations will affect different elements of language use such as dialect, lexis, phonology and grammar • Theory relating to occupations and language, and how to embed these and utilise them in their essays- EG Swales' Discourse Communities • Key terminology and examples that relate to Occupation and language • Different case studies exploring the links between occupations and language	 Read and understand a range of written, spoken and multi-modal texts Structure a comparison answer appropriately in relation to Paper 2 Section B Structure an opinion article appropriately when linked to the topic 	- Complete at least one full Paper 2 Section B (Comparison and creative writing) which will be marked and graded in line with the A level mark scheme.
Textual Variations and Representations Paper 1, Language, the Individual and Society (Section A)	All students will know: (the key knowledge for this was learnt earlier in Y12 – they are recapping it, applying it to older texts and learning to compare) • What Question 2 looks like and how to approach an analysis of an older text • The assessment objectives for Q2 • What question 3 looks like and what the assessment objectives are •	 All students should be able to: Analyse how meanings and representations are constructed in a range of old and contemporary texts Apply linguistic terminology to their analysis of texts Explore how wider issues and ideas are constructed and represented through language Analyse how contexts of texts influence their language use Compare how language is used in old and modern texts Complete answers in exam conditions Self assess answers against assessment objectives 	- Complete a series of answers in increasingly formal conditions (self, peer and teacher assessed using criteria taken from the markscheme)

Regional Variations Paper 2, Language, Diversity and Change (Section A)	 The format of the Paper 2 Section A essay-based evaluative question How to approach the question and form an argument based around the question and addressing the AOs The different elements that make up the concept of 'Regional Variation' How different regions and locations affect the use and interpretation of different language features Some of the issues and debates surrounding region and how they affect language, especially in connection with changing historical, social and cultural contexts How region will affect different elements of language use such as dialect, lexis, phonology and grammar Theory relating to regional variation and language, and how to embed these and utilise them in their essays- EG Kerswill's ideas on Dialect Levelling Key terminology and examples that relate to regional variation and language 	 All students should be able to: Form an argument in response to an evaluative style essay question (Paper 2 Section A) Discuss and explain key theories and case studies related to regional variation Use theory and case studies to support their views and to evaluate those ideas represented in texts studied. Use accurate terminology to give examples of language use Self assess their answer using AOs and identify areas for development Read and understand a range of written, spoken and multi-modal texts Structure a comparison answer appropriately in relation to Paper 2 Section B Structure an opinion article appropriately when linked to the topic 	- Complete 1-2 essay questions for homework based on Paper 2 Section A, with feedback provided in line with the A level markscheme, - Complete a Paper 2 Section A essay in mock exam conditions which will be marked and graded using the A Level mark scheme - Complete at least one full Paper 2 Section B (Comparison and creative writing) which will be marked and graded in line with the A level mark scheme.
	 regional variation and language Different case studies exploring the links between regions and language 		
Language Investigation (Continuing into Y13)	 The key elements that make up the investigation- Intro & Aims, Methodology, Analysis, Conclusion & Evaluation, Bibliography, Appendixes 	 All students should be able to: Clearly explain the focus of their investigation Explain how they are going to gather their data 	(Assessment will be completed in Y13, when students submit their final investigation for grading according to the A level mark scheme)

NEA	 What is required within each section to create a successful investigation (in relation to the mark scheme and AOs) How to form the initial ideas for an investigation, then narrow down the focus into a practical investigation How to create hypotheses and predictions for their investigation The different resource methods for gathering data, as well as the advantages and disadvantages of each in general and in relation to their own investigation How to gather data in an efficient, fair and ethical way 	Write a simple abstract outlining their ideas and plans for their investigation (Majority of NEA Investigation will be completed in Y13)	
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Child Language Acquisition (to be continued in Year 13)	All students will know: The developmental stages by which children's speech progresses The impact of caregivers on speech How aspects of children's pronunciation, develop	 All students should be able to: Analyse a transcript Apply technical terms to their analysis Apply theories and the findings of research to their response 	-
Paper 1, Language, the Individual and Society (Section B)			