

Exam Success Evening

How To Succeed In English

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Why is this important?

Experts agree that the benefits of mastering English extend far beyond the academic and classroom. According to the Department for Education, students proficient in English are more likely to succeed in higher education such as A-Levels and secure higher-paying jobs.

This isn't just about passing an exam; it's about setting yourself up for a bright future. Communication abilities vital for any career path. Enhancing

- **Academic Advantage:** A strong grasp of English can improve performance across other subjects, as it is essential for understanding exam questions, crafting coherent arguments, and expressing ideas clearly.
- **Employability Boost:** Employers consistently rank communication as a top skill. A qualification in GCSE English demonstrates your ability to express ideas effectively, making you more attractive to potential employers.

5 Steps to Success

The following steps will help you succeed in both your English Language and English Literature GCSEs.

Step 1-Planning

1. Plan ahead: Start early and create a solid foundation for your revision.

2. Structured timetabling: Craft a practical [revision timetable](#) using time-blocking techniques.

3. Attend English revision that starts 2nd Oct

Step 2- Reflect

Reflect on past work: Understand how each paper is structured and what the examiner is looking for.

Step 3-Practice

Sharpen key skills:
Practice different types of
questions.

Step 4-Understanding the Writer's Methods

Master terminology: Familiarise yourself with language and structural features.

Step 5-Read (And re-read!)

Broaden your literary horizons: Read widely and experiment with different writing styles.

How are you going to implement this learning?

- 1. Planning:** A suggested Revision Timetable with guidance on what you can revise each week can be found [here](#).
- 2. Reflect:** An overview on the questions on each paper (both Literature and Language) can be found [here](#).
- 3. Practice:** The suggested papers, named on the Revision Timetable can all be found in a file [here](#).
- 4. Master Terminology:** A glossary of both structural and language features can be found [here](#).
- 5. Read:** A list of the GCSE exam texts that students study for English Literature can be found [here](#), whilst a link to Sparx Reader can be found [here](#). Students can log onto their Sparx Reader account using their Google login.