

GCSE ENGLISH

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| English - GCSE, Distance Learning | 05/09/2023 | 21/05/2024 | Online Delivery | |
| English - GCSE, Distance Learning | 19/09/2023 | 21/05/2024 | Online Delivery | |
| English - GCSE | 04/09/2023 | 03/06/2024 | THURMASTON THE ROUNDHILL ACADEMY | |

01. Who is this course for?

This one year course is designed to prepare you for the AQA GCSE English Language qualification. You will cover a variety of writing styles, including non-fiction and creative writing, works from several major writers with well-established critical reputations and various speaking and listening activities. Our aim is to:

- Equip you with the skills, knowledge and understanding needed to acquire this nationally recognised qualification.
- Help you to read accurately and fluently as well as to understand, respond to and enjoy extended reading.
- Help you develop the ability to convey meaning in various written styles of English.
- Help you develop the ability to clarify and express ideas verbally.

Our 33 week course is delivered both venue based and distance/online learning.

02. What will I learn?

This syllabus has been designed to develop knowledge and understanding of language, both written and spoken. Delivery is through a wide range of learning activities including:

- responding to both non-fiction texts and extended reading texts;
- writing for a variety of purposes;
- speaking and listening in a range of contexts.

03. How will I learn?

Your progress and achievements will be recognised and recorded throughout your course in a number of ways: For example: Practical tasks; Written and verbal feedback from your tutor; Learner diary; Mock exams; Exam results from exams in June; No coursework is involved; Homework; and from your engagement with your tutor and classmates on the course in the sessions.

04. What will I need to bring?

A folder to store handouts and notes and a pen and pencil. You may wish to purchase a copy of the set text/s for the course for your own study use, this will be discussed further with you by your tutor during the introduction to the course.

05. What skills or experience do I need?

This is a fast-paced, intensive course. It leads to 2 x one-and-three-quarter-hour exams in June, and a video-recorded speaking exam in the spring, so you need to be confident in your reading, writing and speaking skills. You will also partake in two mock exams. PLEASE BE AWARE- All learners, both online/distance + face to face, will have to travel to a venue to complete their exams. A recent Functional Skills qualification at level 2 is desirable but there will be an entrance test, including a short interview/discussion, for those wishing to join the course to ensure that it is the right course for you. To achieve the qualification in one year you must attend for 80% of the course and undertake a minimum of 2 hours personal study each week

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06. How will I be assessed?

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08. How will I be supported in my learning?

Once you start, if you have further queries and/or support needs, please talk to the tutor. We also offer support to help people with learning difficulties and/or disabilities. If you have a disability, learning difficulty, health problem or mental health difficulty that may affect your learning or participation, please contact us for further advice.

For More Information And How To Enrol

If you need more information, want to discuss levels and course content, or wish to enrol, you can call into our local centres, call our Enrolment Team. You will then be asked to complete a GCSE screener assessment and book an appointment with a co-ordinator who will discuss the course and your goals with you, to ensure that it is the course most suited for you. Call our FREEphone 0800 988 0308.

Online Learning

If you are enrolling for an online/blended learning course: It is important to check the detailed course information prior to enrolment to ensure you have suitable equipment and software. PLEASE NOTE- a smart phone is not suitable for online learning. You will also need a reliable internet connection to participate in this course. If you are not sure about the requirements or have any queries or questions please get in touch with our enrolment staff using the contact details provided. Please note that online courses will be recorded and shared with others on the course and adult learning staff for quality assurance purposes.