



## Course Information – September 2011

**Course Title** GCSE English

**Level** 2

**Awarding Body** AQA

**What is the content of the course?**

**English**

Unit 1: Understanding and producing non-fiction texts

Unit 2: Speaking and Listening

Unit 3: Understanding and Producing Creative Texts: Of Mice and Men

**How is the course assessed?**

End of course exams

**%**

**Details:**

Modular exams

Eng  
40%

**English:**

Unit 1: Understanding and producing non-fiction exam – 2hrs

Controlled Assessment

Eng  
60%

**English:**

Unit 2: Speaking and Listening: Discussion, Role Play and Presenting  
Unit 3: Understanding and Producing Creative Texts: Shakespeare, Exploring Cultures, Literary Heritage and Creative Writing

Portfolio

**How is this course delivered?**

Group work – small discussions

Exploration of ideas behind texts through intensity tasks including drama based activities.

Intensive support for writing essays.

Thinking and planning skills taught.

**What are the entry requirements?**

**What skills are useful for success on this course?**

Ability to analyse how writers use language  
Ability to read beyond the literal and explore the gap between what is said + meant  
Ability to write for a range of audiences for a variety of purposes  
Ability to consider other views than their own

**What opportunities will success on this course give me?**

Lawyer, teacher, anything in Arts, Business and Management, Psychology, Personnel, anything involving key skills of communications and teamwork.