

Birchwood High School

English Language A-level Curriculum Map 2022-2023

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
12 Lang MRY	Introduction to English Language: Form Purpose Audience Language Levels: Graphology	English Language The Individual and Society: How do writers aim their texts at certain audiences? What effect does form and purpose have on audiences? Language Levels: How is graphology used to create effects? How is lexis used to create effects? How is Phonology used to create effects? Exploring a range of texts of varied forms to understand meanings and representations.	English Language Diversity and Change: Occupation Gender Specifics: Occupational Theories – Codifying, exclusory language, accommodation theory Gender Theories – Dominance, Difference and Deficit Models. Contextual Factors relating to theories: The work place: inter-, intra-, and extra- communication The evolving roles of men and women throughout time Confidence and power in both gender and the work place. Language Theory Terminology: Gender – Fillers, hedges, tag questions etc. Occupation – Clippings, acronyms, neologisms etc. Key Exam Skills: How to embed quotations. How to develop a response using theory How to write an introductory thesis.		Preparing for the exam: Paper 2 Section A: Language Diversity evaluation question Focus on Paper 2: Language Diversity and Change	NEA Original Writing: Introduction to the structure of the NEA. • 750 words of original writing in a form of student's choice under the heading of either: > The power of persuasion > The power of storytelling > The power of information • An annotated style model reflecting then features of their chosen form • 750 words of commentary exploring how their writing meets the conventions of their chosen form.
	Week 4: Content test for key terminology Week 7: Timed essay. Paper 1 Section A.	Week 3: Content test for key terminology Week 7: Full Paper 1 Section A response.	Increasingly regular timed responses to Paper 2 Section weeks) Content tests on a weekly basis to revise terminology from		Mock exam at end of this term. Section A of both Paper 1 and 2.	First draft submitted in Week 4. Teacher feedback and advice provided. Final draft submitted by end of term.
12 Lang GSH	Introduction to English Language: Form Purpose Audience Language Levels:	English Language in Context: How do writers aim their texts at specific audiences? What effect does form and purpose have on audiences? Language Levels: How is grammar used to create effects? How are pragmatics used to create effects? How is discourse used to create effects? Beginning to analyse whole texts to understand meanings and representations.	English Language Diversity and Change: Social Groups Region and Dialect Specifics: Social Group Theories Dialect and Region Theories Contextual Factors: Ways of grouping communities Language, identify and class. Accents, dialects, sociolects and idiolects Language Theory Terminology Social Group Theory – communities of practice Language and Region – matched guise experint Paper 2 Section A Theory Debates: How to respond to Paper 2 Section A using theorists. How thesis, writing a good essay.	ents, changing attitudes and accent levelling.	Preparing for the exam: Paper 1 Section A: Analyse how texts use language to create meaning and representations Focus on Paper 1: Language and the Individual.	NEA Language Investigation Introduction to the structure of the NEA. 2000 words investigating language use on a topic of the students own choosing This is chosen in discussion with their class teacher.
	Week 4: Content test for key terminology Week 7: Timed essay. Paper 1 Section A.	Week 3: Content test for key terminology Week 7: Full Paper 1 Section A response.	Increasingly regular timed responses to Paper 2 Section weeks) Content tests on a weekly basis to revise terminology from		Mock exam at end of this term. Section A of both Paper 1 and 2.	First draft submitted in Week 4. Teacher feedback and advice provided. Final draft submitted by end of term.

13 Lang MRY	Paper 1 Section B: Child Language Acquisition (CLA)	Recap English Language Theories:	Preparing for the exam:	
	Paper 1 Section B: Child Language Acquisition (CLA) How do children learn to speak? How do children learn to write? Language Levels: Phonology Prosodics Grammar Lexis Language Theories: Nativist theory. Behaviourist theory.	Occupation Gender Language change Specifics: Gender theorists – dominance, difference and deficit theories Occupational Theories – codifying/excluding language, Accommodation Theory/Prescriptivism Contextual Factors relating to theories: The work place, inter -, intra-, and extra- communication The role of men and women through time Confidence and power in both gender and the work place	Preparing for the exam: Focus on Paper 2: Language Diversity and Change Language Levels Focus: Graphology Lexis Phonology Specifics: Complete Paper 2 mocks Self, peer and teacher feedback Revise course content Recap tests	
	 Cognitivist theory. Social interactionist theory. Developing understanding of acquisition through key theorists including Chomsky Skinner Bruner Atkinson Vygotsky Studying of case studies, both self-researched and given , so support theoretical understanding. These to include Infinite Monkey Theory Genie Fis/Fish Week 4: Content tests on key theories and case studies Week 7: Written exam response to Spoken Language Acquisition 	 Change theories Language Theory Terminology: Gender Theory - Fillers, hedges, tag questions etc. Occupation theory – clippings, acronyms, neologisms etc. Focus Paper 2: How to answer Paper 2 Section A using theorists. How to embed quotes, write an introduction thesis, writing a good essay Ensure that all coursework is fully moderated and submitted by Easter. Content tests and practice essays throughout the term to ensure readiness for the final exams. 	Paper 2 Question 3: Compare Text A and Text B Paper 2 Question 4: How to write a good opinion article. Introductions/ conclusions SPG Content tests and practice essays throughout the term to ensure readiness for the final exams.	
13 Lang GSH	Week 12/13: Mock exam: Paper 1 and 2 Section B. Language Change:	English Language Theories:	Preparing for the exam:	
	How language has changed over time and what has influenced/ caused this change? Language change terminology e.g. broadening Contextual factors: Historical factors Industry/ inventions/ internet Societal changes Youth culture Language Theories/Theorists: Prescriptivism vs. descriptivism, Aitchison, Honey Theory of Lexical gaps, Bailey's Wave, Chen's S-Curve.	Social Groups Dialect and Region Language and ethnicity Specifics: Social Group Theories — Dialect and Region Theories — Language and ethnicity case studies and theory. Contextual Factors relating to theories: British history of ethnic language classification. Class and social-grouping factors. Language Theory Terminology: BAME Communities of practice Focus Paper 1: How to answer Paper1 Section A with reference to older texts and Language Change.	Focus on Paper 1: Language, the Individual and Society Language Levels Focus: Pragmatics Grammar Discourse Specifics: Complete Paper 1 mocks Self, peer and teacher feedback Revise course content Recap tests Paper 2 Question 4: How to write a good opinion article. Introductions/ conclusions SPG	
	Week 12/13: Mock exam: Paper 1 and 2 Section B.	Ensure that all coursework is fully moderated and submitted by Easter. Content tests and practice essays throughout the term to ensure readiness for the final exams.	Content tests and practice essays throughout the term to ensure readiness for the final exams.	