

English Language

Exam Dates:

English Language Paper 1 – 6th June
English Language Paper 2 – 12th June

Exam Overview:

AQA GCSE English Language Paper 1

50% of qualification

80 marks

1h 45 minutes

AQA GCSE English Language Paper 2

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Guide to Exam Papers:

Paper 1:

Section A

Read 1 fiction text

Q1 - List 4 accurate facts from the source (4 marks)

Q2 - Analyse the language used in an extract from the source (8 marks)

Q3- Analyse the structure of the entire source (8 marks)

Q4 - A response to a statement, giving your impressions, evaluating the writer's methods and using quotes from the text to support (20 marks)

Total – 40 marks

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Section B

Q5 - Create a description or narrative, with the choice of using a picture stimulus (24 marks for content and organisation & 16 marks for technical accuracy)

Paper 2:

Section A

Read 2 non-fiction sources

Q1 – Select 4 true statements from a list (4 marks)

Q2 – Summarise, synthesise and make inferences from both sources (8 marks)

Q3 – Analyse the language used in an extract from one of the sources (12 marks)

Q4 – Compare writers' viewpoints and analyse methods from both texts (16 marks)

Section B

Q5 – Write to present a viewpoint in the form of a specified non-fiction piece of writing (24 marks for content and organisation & 16 marks for technical accuracy)

Areas of Revision:

- Subject terminology (word class, devices and sentence forms)
- Conventions of non-fiction texts (how to structure a letter)
- SPAG (using a range of punctuation, using variety of sentence openers/constructions)

Revision Tips:

Mnemonics- take the letter of words you need to remember and think of something personal:

Noun Verb Adjective Adverb Pronoun Preposition Determiner Conjunction

Nike Versace Adidas Armani Pandora Prada Dior Chanel

Neymar Vardy Alonso Aguerro Pele Pique Drogba Carragher

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