

Curriculum overview 2026/2027 - Year 10 English Language.

Week number:	Topics outlined in sessions this week:
	HALF TERM 1 – LANGUAGE PAPER 2 Section B
1	 GCSE Overview - Language Paper 2 Section B, IDL Reading and Spelling Test (Paper)
2	Punctuation, vocabulary check, historical speeches - Black History Month Context
3	Language comparison – nouns, verbs, adjectives and comparative language.
4	Media analysis – Black Panther
5	Speech writing – Language Paper 2 skills.
6	Sentence Types – DAFOREST techniques.
7	Assessment 1 – Speech Writing NCFE Mock Exam
	HALF TERM 2 – Language Paper 1 Section A
8	Language Paper 1 Overview - Introduction to Gothic Literature – tropes, vocabulary, history
9	Language Paper 1 – Section A – Information retrieval – Question 1 – extract study 
10	Language Paper 1 – Section A – PEE Paragraphs – subject specific terminology
11	Language analysis – Paper 1 – 10-mark questions. 
12	Full extract analysis + question 5 practice
13	Exam skills and timing – final extract analysis
14	Assessment 2 – Language Paper 1 Section A (Reading) NCFE
	HALF TERM 3 – Functional Skills
15	Functional Skills Unit
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19	Functional Skills Unit
20	Functional Skills Unit
	HALF TERM 4 – Spoken Language and Speaking and Listening – GCSE and Functional Skills
21	Spoken Language Overview – vocabulary teaching
22	Planning and research around speech topic.
23	Individual talk – practice and record.
24	Group discussion preparation and research

Key to symbols (specific literacy interventions):



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Multi-sensory literacy software



25	Group Discussion – practice and record. IDL Assessments – Reading and Spelling Update. 
	HALF TERM 5 – Narrative Writing
26	Language Paper 1 Section B Overview
27	Narrative Structures – effective story openings.
28	Building and expanding vocabulary
29	Character development
30	Plot and story exposition. 
31	Effective endings
32	Assessment 3 – Story Writing
	HALF TERM 6 – Power and Conflict Non-Fiction Study – Language Paper 2
33	Language Paper 2 Section A Overview + vocabulary teaching - 9/11 Documentary
34	DAFOREST Techniques – identify, use and analyse. 
35	Analysing newspaper articles – 9/11
36	Comparison of articles and language 
37	Walk and Talk Mock Lang Paper 2 Section A
38	End of Year 10 Full Exam – GCSE Paper 1 and 2
39	End of term literacy activities

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