



English Advanced Higher

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Advanced Higher English

Successful completion of your S6 Advanced Higher English studies will allow you to attain the Advanced Higher English qualification.

Entry Level: What do I need to do it?

Whether or not you will be able to sit Advanced Higher English is dependent on your attainment and achievement at Higher English. Please bear in mind that a pass at Higher English does not automatically mean that you will be able to cope with the demands of Advanced Higher. Your English teacher is the best person to advise you.

Course Content: What will I learn?

The skills, knowledge and understanding that you will develop in the Advanced Higher English Course are:

- analysing and evaluating complex and sophisticated language
- applying critical, analytical and evaluative skills across a wide range of complex literary texts and exploring connections and comparisons where appropriate
- applying sophisticated writing skills, and reflecting on the development of writing skills
- extending writing skills, or analytical and evaluative skills in literary contexts
- critically responding to complex texts through extended writing
- critically analysing sophisticated concepts, using appropriate terminology
- applying higher-order thinking skills
- applying literary research and investigative skills
- applying independent, individual interests to a chosen topic in literature



Teaching Methods: What will I do?

Teaching methods will include:

- Class discussion
- Written tasks including research
- Group Work
- Group and Individual Presentations

Assessment: How will I be assessed?

Assessment is ongoing throughout the course and will cover the four key components of Literacy Study, Unseen Textual Analysis, Dissertation and Portfolio. You will also sit a formal examination. The course assessment is made up of two papers, the Dissertation and the Writing Portfolio .

Paper 1	Literary Study	90 minutes	20 marks
Paper 2	Unseen Textual Analysis	90 minutes	20 marks
Dissertation	Comparative Dissertation of between 2500 and 3000 words	Ongoing throughout course	30 marks
Portfolio	Two writing pieces of different genres. Each piece to be at least 1000 words minimum	Ongoing throughout course	30 marks (15 marks per piece)

Home Study

You will be issued with regular home study. This work will allow you to reinforce your learning and further develop your skills.

Progression in the Senior Phase

Advanced Higher Courses provide good preparation for learners progressing to further and higher education as learners doing Advanced Higher Courses must be able to work with more independence and less supervision. This eases transition to further/higher education.

Progression to employment

For many learners progression will be directly to employment or work-based training programmes.