

# Pearson Edexcel GCSE (9-1) English Language and Literature

## What can I gain from this qualification?

GCSE English will offer you lots of transferable skills which are vital in further education and the world of work, including:

- Critical thinking
- The ability to write for different audiences
- Speaking and presentation skills
- Analytical skills
- Rhetorical skills



## Future careers

Studying English at GCSE can take you anywhere, opening up a number of different careers, including marketing, law, event planning, teaching, curating and so much more.

**Here are just a few future careers you can embark on:**

### Journalist

Do you love writing, and have a keen interest in current events? Working as a journalist could take you all over the world. Learning to write for different purposes and audiences will set you up for success.

### Heritage manager

Inspired by the past? A career as a heritage manager means you'll be responsible for the conservation and management of heritage sites such as buildings, landscapes, museums, ancient monuments and more. An English qualification will equip you with the communication skills, creative thinking and organisational skills it takes to be successful in this area.

### Marketing manager

Marketing is a fast-paced, creative career path that spans so many different industries. Studying English will equip you with creative writing skills, the ability to present your ideas clearly and the ability to analyse information.

### Event planner

Super organised? Studying English will give you the skills, such as excellent communication and organisation, that it takes to be an event planner.



GCSE English Language 1EN0	GCSE English Language 2.0	GCSE English Literature
<b>Assessments</b>		
<p>2 exam papers</p> <p>Speaking and Listening Endorsement</p> <p><b>Paper 1:</b> 64 marks 1hr 45 mins</p> <p><b>Paper 2:</b> 96 marks 2hr 5 mins</p> <p><b>Speaking and Listening Endorsement:</b> Assessed through 1 presentation of up to 10 minutes.</p> <p>Students are awarded a grade (Pass, Merit or Distinction)</p>	<p>2 exam papers</p> <p>Speaking and Listening Endorsement</p> <p><b>Paper 1:</b> 80 marks 1hr 55 mins</p> <p><b>Paper 2:</b> 80 marks, 1hr 55 mins</p> <p><b>Speaking and Listening Endorsement:</b> Assessed through 1 presentation of up to 10 minutes.</p> <p>Students are awarded a grade (Pass, Merit or Distinction)</p>	<p>2 exam papers</p> <p><b>Paper 1:</b> 80 marks, 1hr 45 mins</p> <p><b>Paper 2:</b> 80 marks, 2hr 15 mins</p>
<b>Question types</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short and open-response Reading questions.</li> <li>• Writing tasks.</li> </ul>		
<b>How is content split across the papers?</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For GCSE English Language 1EN0, the first paper is on Fiction and Imaginative Writing and the second paper is on Non-Fiction and Transactional Writing. For both papers there is a reading section and a choice of writing tasks which are linked by a theme.</li> <li>• For GCSE English Language 2.0, the first paper is on Non-Fiction Texts and the second paper is on Contemporary Texts. For both papers there is a reading section and a choice of writing tasks.</li> <li>• For GCSE English Literature, the first paper is on Shakespeare and Post-1914 Literature and the second paper is on 19th-century Novel and Poetry since 1789. For both papers, students will answer a question about an extract and the whole text for their chosen set text.</li> </ul>		