

AQA GCSE English

From September 2015 the GCSE course nationally has become 100% exam based, meaning that the element of controlled assessment (formerly coursework) has been completely removed. The exams for both Literature and English are terminal, and as such are examined at the end of Yr11.

Paper	Method of assessment	Percentage of GCSE
Paper 1: Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing Section A: Reading (40 marks) (25%) one literature fiction text Section B: Writing (40 marks) (25%) descriptive or narrative writing	Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes	50% of GCSE
Paper 2: Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives Section A: Reading (40 marks) (25%) one non-fiction text and one literary non-fiction text Section B: Writing (40 marks) (25%) writing to present a viewpoint	Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes	50% of GCSE