

SS Subject Curriculum & Assessment

Subject: English Language

Curriculum Aims		
The aims of the English Language curriculum at the senior secondary level:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to provide students with learning experiences to increase their language proficiency for study, work, leisure and personal enrichment; - to develop their knowledge, skills, values and attitudes; and - to promote lifelong learning so as to enhance their personal and intellectual development, cultural understanding and global competitiveness. 		
Curriculum Framework and Progression of Study		
	Compulsory Part	Enrichment Components
SS1	1. The four language skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking;	Language arts elements: drama / poems and songs / short stories / popular culture
SS2	2. Modules, units and tasks targeted at exposing students to a variety of themes	Non-language arts elements: sports communication / debating / social issues / workplace communication
SS3	3. Language items and communicative functions, vocabulary and text-types by way of task-based approach. 4. School-based Assessment (SBA): Print Fiction / Non-print Fiction / Print Non-fiction / Non-print Non-fiction	

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Assessment			
	Components	Weighting	Duration
HKDSE Examination	Paper 1: Reading	20%	1.5 hours
	Paper 2: Writing	25%	2 hours
	Paper 3: Listening & Integrated Skills	30%	About 2 hours
	Paper 4: Speaking	10%	About 20 minutes
School-Based Assessment	Part A: Individual Presentation and Response to questions	15%	Individual Presentation (Minimum: 3 minutes)
	Part B: Group Interaction Two marks (7.5% each) based on the 2 – 4 texts of the reading / viewing programme		Group Interaction (Minimum: 8 minutes)

