

CAREERS INFORMATION



Career Areas

English is a universal requirement and is thus relevant to all career areas. However, it is particularly important for the following:

- Law
- Politics
- Journalism
- Teaching
- Marketing
- Clerical work
- Advertising
- Publishing
- Administration
- Archive work
- Classroom support
- Broadcasting
- Librarianship
- Public relations
- Management
- Human resources
- Speech therapy
- Events management
- Information services
- Travel and tourism

Further advice and information on these options is available from your subject teacher, guidance teacher and careers adviser.

OTHER INFORMATION

TRIPS

Visits to the theatre in Aberdeen
Edinburgh Festival in August

SPEAKERS

Professional writers talk about their work and then deliver workshops.

OTHER EVENTS

Annual Veronica Thomson Public Speaking Competition
Readathon



CURRENT STAFF

Mrs C Sievwright
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English

English National 5



TURRIFF ACADEMY

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COURSE INFORMATION

Why English?

Language and literacy are of personal, social and economic importance. Your ability to use language lies at the centre of the development and expression of your emotions, thinking, learning and sense of personal identity.

You develop skills in listening, talking, reading and writing, which are essential for learning, life and work. And, you will also learn to use creative and critical thinking skills in order to produce ideas and arguments.

The skills that you develop in English are useful in a wide range of careers; these include teaching, editorial, journalism, administration, legal work or in the arts.

Course Outline

This course helps you understand the complexities of language through studying a wide range of texts, including studying the use vocabulary, word patterns, text structures and style. You will develop high levels of analytical thinking and understanding of the impact of language.

The course has two compulsory units plus an added value unit that assesses your practical skills. The units are same as those for National 4 but you will have to produce a higher standard of work.

English: Analysis and Evaluation

In this unit you will:

- develop listening and reading skills in the contexts of literature, language and media
- develop the skills needed to understand, analyse and evaluate detailed texts, including Scottish texts.

English: Creation and Production

In this unit you will:

- develop talking and writing skills in a range of contexts
- develop the skills needed to create and produce detailed texts in both written and oral forms.

Added Value Unit: English Assessment

In this unit you will be asked to:

- produce a portfolio comprising two pieces of writing, one creative and one discursive
- answer a question paper, with at least one question on a Scottish text.

ASSESSMENT

Your work will be assessed by your teacher on an ongoing basis throughout the course. Items of work might include:

- practical work – reading, speaking or listening exercises
- written work – assignments or reports
- an assessment or class exam.

You will also sit a written exam marked by the Scottish Qualification Authority (SQA).

You must pass the all the course units including the practical assessment plus the written exam to be awarded the course qualification.

The course assessment is graded A-D. Your grade will depend on the total mark for all the units in your course.



PROGRESSION

If you complete the course successfully, it may lead to:

- Higher English

Further study, training or employment in:

- Arts, Social Sciences and Religion
- Communications and Media
- Languages
- Teaching and Classroom Support

FURTHER COURSES IN TURRIFF ACADEMY

In S5/6:

Advanced Higher