

English Language A-Level Part 1

Summary

This course deepens your knowledge of linguistic analysis and explores language use in a variety of situations and contexts. From political speeches and song lyrics, to cartoon strips and food labelling, the course will introduce you to a rich set of resources and styles of writing. You'll learn about the terminology and grammar that underpins the English language, building your understanding of how language works in the way it does.

PET offers A-levels in two parts. Upon completing Part 1 of this A-Level, you will be able to take an AS exam, or you can continue on to Part 2 to build up to a full A-level.

You will need to apply for each part separately. You can start an A-level at any time of the year, but exams usually take place in June.

Before making your application, please speak to PET or your education department to find out if your prison can hold A-level exams as many cannot facilitate this.

Alternatively, you might be able to take the exams on Release on Temporary Licence (ROTL) or after your release - we will be happy to advise you further on this.

Course Provider	National Extension College (NEC) Woolpack House, 70 High Street, Sawston, CB22 3HJ 01223 400200 pet@nec.ac.uk
Qualification Accreditation	AQA A-Level ((Exams can only be taken at AQA registered centres)
Academic level	3
PET entry requirements	Level 2 English
Format of course material	Paper Based Only
Structure of course	<p>Five Lessons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Methods of Language Analysis 2. Spoken English 3. Language and Power 4. Identity and Non-Standard English 5. Language and Gender
Assignments	<p>Five written assignments. These do not count towards the final grade and are used to check progress and understanding.</p> <p>All materials including assignments are sent at the beginning of the course. Tutors will aim to mark and return assignments with feedback within 5 working days of submission for marking.</p>

<p>Exams</p>	<p>There are two written exams. Both are 1 hour 30 minutes. The exams are closed book and invigilated and they involve written analysis and skills.</p> <p>You will need to apply to us separately for exam fees.</p> <p>Please note, the AS level is a standalone qualification and does not count towards the full A level.</p>
<p>Estimated completion time</p>	<p>150 hours</p>
<p>Maximum course duration</p>	<p>24 months</p>
<p>Prison support requirements</p>	<p>Support assessment submission (ideally scan to the tutor or post). It is recommended to make copies in case assignments get lost; contact supplier for tutor support or more info on assignment submission; help to facilitate exam; contact supplier for more info on assignment submission or exam facilitation. See contact details are above in the 'Course provider' section.</p>
<p>Supplier tutor's support</p>	<p>Tutors give support by providing feedback on learners' work and answering their queries. Occasionally providing extra resources.</p>
<p>Certificate</p>	<p>Yes. These are sent by AQA around 3 months after results day. Fees apply for duplicates.</p>
<p>Progress</p>	<p>The A-Level Part 2 is a popular follow-up to Part 1, but please contact us if you need advice about other options. Call our free Advice Line on 0800 048 7520 on Tuesdays (10-12pm and 2-4pm) and Thursdays (10am-12pm and 2-6pm).</p>