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ENGLISH LANGUAGE H470

Support highlights

We know teaching has been greatly disrupted in 2020, so to support you we've collated together some of our most useful resources below for you. We've tried to highlight resources that can help with establishing or consolidating student knowledge, as well as resources that reinforce particular essential skills for students. This is designed to remind you of resources that could help save you time, enabling you to quickly get back up to speed in the classroom and support your students in preparing for exams. Many more resources are available from the OCR website.

Delivery Guides

View our full range of delivery guides

We have lots of online Delivery Guides for different topics in our A Level English Language course. Each guide is designed to offer a holistic overview of the topic and point towards some possible student-facing activities with linked resources and teacher notes. We have guides for language topics like language and gender, language and power, language and technology, as well as more specific guides on things like multimodality and linguistic variations of power.
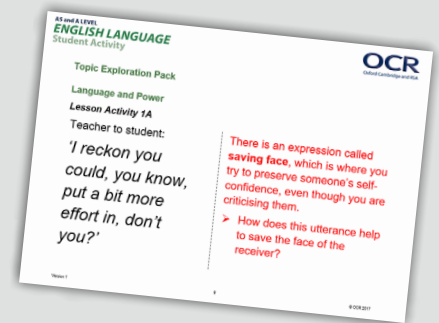
You can use these to form your planning of a learning sequence or provide some of the learner resources as consolidatory or exploratory activities for students. You may also wish to set students note taking exercises using the information provided in a particular delivery guide as a way to consolidate or develop knowledge.

Language and Power Topic Exploration Pack

Download the Language and power Topic exploration pack

This is a pack focused entirely on exploring ideas of language and power, encompassing both the Teacher Guide and Student sheets. These are designed for students to think about the ways in which language uses and maintains power, offering real life exemplars to help solidify student understanding. Whether you're using this pack to help introduce these ideas, or to help consolidate student knowledge, this pack builds student confidence. While some of the activities are originally designed for printing and manipulating physically, these can be transferred onto any online platforms (or even asking students to reorder the relevant PowerPoint slides) and can be used collaboratively.

How to use quantitative analysis in a language investigation Teacher guide

Download the Teacher guide

We know that the language investigation asks students to undertake research in ways they may be less familiar with. This resource is designed to give an overview of some ways to work with data, offering some explanation and ideas. This can be shared with students when they're considering their methodology and data collection. It can also be used to form the basis of a three lesson sequence getting students familiar with these approaches, focusing on: percentages and charts; using averages and range; methods of text analysis. Ideal also for flipped learning approaches, this can be a good way to check and consolidate student understanding of quantitative data use.

You may also like

Guide to theorists

A starting guide to various theorists working in linguistics.

Glossary of terms and main language theories

An initial glossary outlining key terms and theories in English Language study.

Assessment materials

Access past papers, mark schemes and examiners' reports from the OCR website.

Professional Development

Exam preparation

Using feedback from the 2019 exams to provide some pointers for student focus ahead of exams in 2021.

Find an event

See our range of professional development courses using the 'Find an event' search tool.

We're now running all our CPD training online rather than face-to-face. Future courses will be in the form of a webinar, offering the same high-quality training as our face-to-face training. If you have any questions, please email professionaldevelopment@ocr.org.uk

Publisher materials

Oxford University Press

OCR A Level English Language Student Book (£39 print copy; £29 ebook/Kindle).

Designed for students and teachers in mind, this book helps provide students with a framework for studying A Level English Language and offers a range of activities.

Other resources

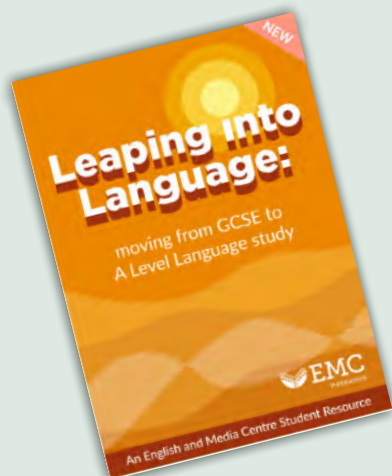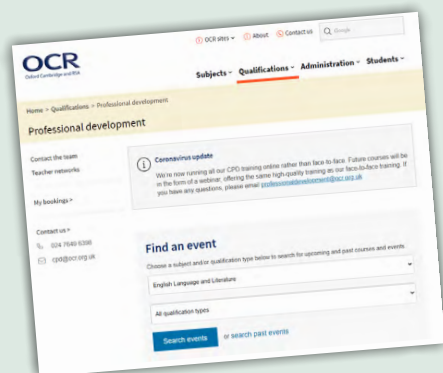### EMC Leaping into Language: From GCSE to A Level English Language study

As ever, the brilliant English and Media Centre have put together a free pack all aimed at new Year 12 students in starting their study of A Level English Language; great for getting to grips with the some key ideas and concepts.

The British National Corpus

This is a subdivision of the public audio archive which houses both audio of spoken language and transcriptions.

The British Library's Accent and Dialogue collection

This webpage offers recordings and lay transcripts that can help students understand linguistic variation, dialogue and accent.

Keep connected

A Level English – support for condensing and consolidating

A short blog that outlines some approaches and activities designed to either diagnose, condense or consolidate student knowledge.
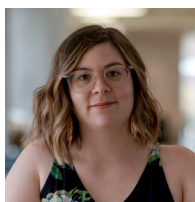
Top tips for A Level English Language exam preparation

A blog that outlines some key approaches to preparing students for A Level English Language exams.

Tips in making examiners' reports work for you

A short blog outlining the role of the examiners' reports and how they might be used in the classroom as an additional resource.

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