



How often do students in year 7 study English?

Year 7 students have 7 lessons of English per fortnight, usually 3 one week, and 4 the next.

What topics do you learn about in English in year 7?

We start year 7 by studying the modern play version of the classic tale of Dracula, creating our own descriptions of a gothic setting. We then move onto reading Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol, exploring how the character of Scrooge is developed through the novel. In the Spring term we read a selection of myths & legends, using these as a platform for our own writing. We then move onto reading William Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream and finally study a collection of poems linked to the theme of conflict.

What skills will you develop in English during year 7?

English provides students with opportunities to develop as confident, empathetic and critical readers and writers. They can explore a wide range of varied and challenging texts in the pursuit of developing a lifelong appreciation of reading. In writing, students will refine their skills, crafting writing which is sophisticated and engaging.

Do you need any specialist equipment to study English?

No, you don't need any specialist equipment for this subject.

What is the best thing about studying English?

Students have the opportunity to immerse themselves in a range of different worlds and times, providing them with the chance discuss other people's experiences and actions and establish their own sense of place in the world.

Do you have any top tips for new year 7 students studying English?

Read as widely and as often as possible! Be prepared to share your views on the texts that we are studying.

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