

Level 6 Literature and Communication



COURSE DESCRIPTION

The English Department are offering an exciting new course next year for pupils in the senior phase.

Level 6 Literature and Communication is a perfect bridge between National 5 and Higher. It is an ideal stepping stone for pupils who would like an extra year after completing National 5 before attempting Higher during which they can develop their skills in reading, writing, listening and talking without the pressure of a final exam.

The Literature element of the course aims to help candidates enjoy novels, plays and poetry, while Communication offers practical skills in reading, writing, listening and presentation that are transferable into further education and the world of work. Candidates will be enhancing the skills they developed in National 5 English in preparation for undertaking Higher English in S6; for instance:

- Critical essays
- Discursive writing
- RUAE and Textual Analysis
- Presentations and Group Discussions

Level 6 Literature and Communication is a very rewarding but also very demanding course: all pupils will require a robust work ethic, as well as an excellent attendance rate and positive attitude, to complete the coursework required to achieve this qualification.

The course is worth 18 SCQF points and is accepted by many colleges and universities.

AREAS OF STUDY/COURSE STRUCTURE

Analysis and Evaluation

Through the study of detailed texts in the contexts of literature, language or media, learners will use their listening and reading skills to provide evidence of understanding, analysis and evaluation.

Creation and Production

Learners will be required to provide evidence of their talking and writing skills to create and produce detailed texts. Learners will also be required to demonstrate technical accuracy in written texts.

All units will be evidenced by a total of 11 outcomes using 9 assessments.

RECOMMENDED ENTRY

Candidates must have completed National 5 English and achieved a grade C.

ASSESSMENT

There is no final exam for this course; but it does involve a large number of different internal assessments that candidates must pass in order to achieve the award.

PROGRESSION

The Level 6 award could provide progression to:

- Higher English

The award provides opportunities to develop:

- Core skills (which underpin all National Certificates)
- Communication
- Critical analysis
- Transferable skills

FUTURE CAREERS

- Teacher
- Author
- Librarian
- Journalist
- Editor
- Researcher