



## DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL

### YEAR 10 & 11 COURSES

<b>Subject</b>	Additional English
<b>Course Level</b>	Functional Skills Level 1 and 2
<b>Examining Body</b>	Edexcel

#### What will I be studying?

A range of different texts which are chosen according to the class

This course is specifically designed to encourage and enthuse students and support them with the English Language GCSE course

Students will also have the opportunity to take the Functional Skills qualification at Level 1 and, if appropriate, Level 2.

#### What skills will I develop?

- The course aims to develop the reading and writing skills required to gain a 4 grade in GCSE English
- Students will have access to a greater range of technology and thus will be able to develop ICT skills too
- Functional Skills will help to develop important skills like communication, team working, presentation and problem solving
- Additional English has been introduced to ensure students have the practical skills to apply what they have learnt to everyday situations, such as writing an effective job application, and take the most from life, learning and work
- For each level, realistic contexts have been designed using clear layouts and plain English

#### How will the course be structured?

The course is split into projects each lasting 5-6 weeks

As and when students are ready, they will be entered for the Functional Skills exams

#### What are the aims of Additional English?

- Accelerate the progress of students in English so that they have a better chance of achieving a 4 at GCSE
  - Support students' learning and motivation in relation to literacy
  - Help students meet the high demands of other GCSE courses that need high levels of literacy
  - Strengthen the key area of literacy sought by employers
- Functional Skills at Levels 1 & 2, aims to ensure that each individual is able to solve problems in real-life, functional contexts, and develop skills in
- Reading and understanding a range of texts
  - Writing for different audiences and purposes
  - Participating in discussions and giving presentations

If you have any further questions about taking this course, who should you speak to?

1. Your English Teacher
2. Head of English – Mrs Ali
3. Head of Year – Mrs Anwar