

# English Language - this is very different to GCSE – it is a study of linguistics!

GENDER IS NOT SOMETHING THAT ONE IS, IT IS SOMETHING ONE DOES, AN ACT A "DOING" RATHER THAN A "BEING".

- JUDITH BUTLER -

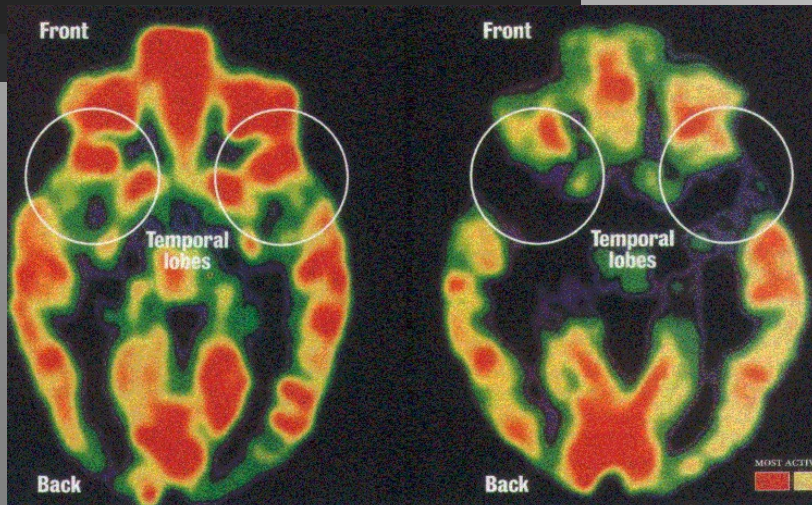
“The Oxford Dictionary has named “selfie” the word of the year, narrowly beating out “twerk.” In a related story, the funeral for the English language is this Saturday.”

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“THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE IS NOBODY’S SPECIAL PROPERTY. IT IS THE PROPERTY OF THE IMAGINATION: IT IS THE PROPERTY OF THE LANGUAGE ITSELF.”

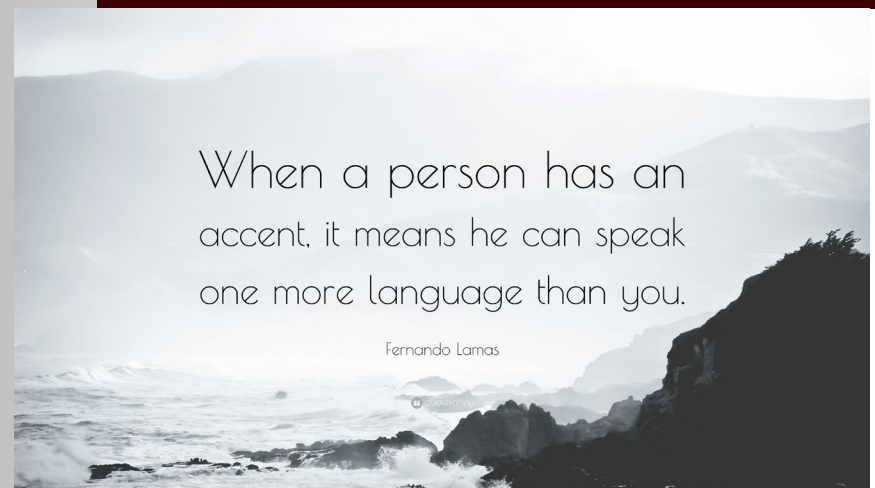
DEREK WALCOTT

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When a person has an accent, it means he can speak one more language than you.

Fernando Lamas



# AQA ENGLISH LANGUAGE:

\*Paper One – 2hrs 30mins – Linguistic Representations and Child Language

\*Paper Two – 2hrs 30mins – Diversity, Article Comparison and Opinion Article

\*Two pieces of coursework:

- a language investigation - one student is investigated the way her mum speaks to her dog!!!
- a piece of original writing with a commentary – your choice – fit it with your university choices



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## A LEVEL ENGLISH LANGUAGE

This is very different to GCSE! There's a good mix of:

- Analysis
- Theoretical application and case studies
- Creative writing and investigations

It supports subjects such as Literature, Sociology, Psychology, Child Development, History...

Representations

Child Language  
Acquisition

Gender

Ethnicity

Age

Sexuality

Occupations

Language  
Change

Global and  
National  
Englishes



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So far this year...

Miss Doherty...

Mrs Ayre...



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# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS



ENGLISH

- \*6 or above at English Language or Literature GCSE
- \*Enthusiasm
- \*A keen interest in the subject
- \*The ability to work independently



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# WHY SHOULD YOU CHOOSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE?

- \* I like creative writing but also science.
- \* I like reading a range of materials.
- \* My writing skills are a strength.
- \* I want to learn about why people speak differently.
- \* I want to explore where our language originated
- \* I want to argue that language is full of inequality
- \* I wonder why accents are so powerful.
- \* I want to learn about how children are able to learn language.
- \* I would like to debate and evaluate my ideas as well as those of other people.



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# CAREERS

- \* Law
- \* Journalism
- \* Publishing
- \* Editor
- \* Business
- \* Teaching
- \* Public relations
- \* MANY more!



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# RESULTS

A Level -

A\*-E: 100%

A\*-C: 100%

Our students went on to university to study:

- English Literature and Language
- Nursing
- Japanese Studies
- Veterinary nursing
- Teaching
- Fashion design
- Broadcasting/Journalism
- Law
- Zoology



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# FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Ask Mrs Ayre, Miss Doherty or Miss Carter



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