

## GCSE 2010 English (2EH01)



How might your candidates' journey through the new GCSE 2010 English specification differ from their previous routes to GCSE?

Modular -	greater flexibility in sitting exams when your students are ready and opportunities to improve at a later stage
Resits -	only one resit opportunity for each unit is available
Terminal requirement -	at least 40% of the entire GCSE must be completed at the end of the course - this means for GCSE English, either unit 2 (5EH2F/2H) or unit 3 (5EH03) can be used to fulfil the terminal requirement. At least one of these units must be taken in the final examination session.
Uniform Mark Scale -	candidates' best marks are stored for aggregation at the end of the course, ensuring their best performance is awarded. However the scores for the units being used to satisfy the terminal rule will be used even if they are lower than those held in the bank
The GCSE standard -	all units are assessed at the GCSE standard in whichever exam series they are offered

Below are examples of how your candidates' experience of the new specification might differ to that of the old

Please note: this example is not a recommendation of how the course should be sat or the number of hours required to deliver the course but an example of one of the ways that the qualification may be approached.

### Old GCSE English A: (1203)

JUNE				
ACQUIRING GCSE SKILLS				
1203 2F/4H, The Craft of the Writer	30%	Exam	100	Overall grade
1203 3F/5H, Media (unprepared) and Writing	30%	Exam		
1203 1A, Speaking and listening	20%	Cwrk		
1203 1B, Reading and Writing	20%	Cwrk		

### New GCSE 2010 English (2EH01)

Unit availability				Weightings %	Mode	Max UMS Mark	
Jan	June	Jan	June				
5EH01 (from Jan 2011), (5EH2F/2H and 5EH03 from Jan 2012 only)	5EH01, 5EH2F/2H, 5EH03	5EH01, 5EH2F/2H, 5EH03	5EH01, 5EH2F/2H, 5EH03				
ACQUIRING GCSE SKILLS							
5EH01, English Today	resit (same theme)			20%	CA	60	Overall grade
		5EH2F/2H, The Writer's Craft	*5EH2F/2H, The Writer's Craft (resit)	40%	Exam	120 (83 on FT)	
			*5EH03, Creative English	40%	CA	120	

\*In this example unit 5EH2F/2H and 5EH03 both fulfil the terminal requirement, so if the resit mark was worse for 5EH2F/2H, the first mark would contribute towards the final grade.

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