



KIRKCALDY HIGH SCHOOL
Community, Ambition, Respect

S4/5 Subject Choices

Faculty of English

English- N5/Higher

Entry Requirements – Qualifications, Skills and Knowledge

To study Nat 5 you will have completed BGE and have achieved National 4 already.

To study Higher you will have passed National 5 English (at least a Grade C) or Level 5/6 Communication and Literature.

Course Content For Higher and N5:

- Ruae- worth 30% of the course
- Set text- worth 20% of the course
- Critical essay- worth 20% of the course
- Folio- worth 30% of the course

English- N5/Higher

Wider Skills Development

Communication

Literacy

Listening

Analytical skills

Confidence

Progression & Career Opportunities

English is useful for most college and university courses as well as most professions such as: Journalism

Teaching

Law

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Communication & Literature- level 5/6

Entry Requirements – Qualifications, Skills and Knowledge

To study Level 5 you will have completed BGE and have achieved National 4 already.

To study Level 6 you will have passed National 5 English (at least a Grade C) or Level 5 Communication and Literature.

Course Content

- Level 5 and 6 Literature – 3 assessments (1 talk, 1 presentation, and 1 textual analysis)
- Communications – Reading, Writing, Listening, and Talking Assessments (5 for level 5/ 6 for level 6)

Communication & Literature- level 5/6

Course Assessments

Ongoing throughout the year.

Learning Activities & Homework

You will develop communication and literacy skills through reading, writing, talking and listening.

You will analyse and evaluate a range of texts, including media.

All work will be available online, catch up.

Communication & Literature- level 5/6

Wider Skills Development

Communication

Literacy

Listening

Confidence

Self-Study

Progression & Career Opportunities

Transferable skills that will equip learners for further education and the workplace.

Media- N5/Higher

Entry Requirements – Qualifications, Skills and Knowledge

National 5 – you should have already achieved National 4 Media or National 5 English (at least Grade C) or equivalent qualification in a Social subject.

Higher- you should have already achieved National 5 Media or National 5/Higher English (all at least Grade C).

Course Content

National 5- Component 1: Final exam

Component 2- Assignment

Higher - Component 1: Question paper 1 — analysis of media content

Component 2: Question paper 2 — the role of media

Component 3:Assignment

Media- N5/Higher

Course Assessments

National 5- Final exam which is split into two sections: Analysis of a Media text and Analysis of a Media Text in Context

Assignment which is split into two sections: Planning and Development Higher- Component I: Question paper 1 — analysis of media content Component 2: Question paper 2 — the role of media

Component 3: Assignment

Learning Activities & Homework

You will develop your understanding of media through analysis of categories, language, representations, institutions, narrative, and society.

You will also consider the role of the media in educating, informing, and entertaining audiences.

You will also create your own media content which will go through extensive planning and development.

Media- N5/Higher

Wider Skills Development

Understanding
Communication
Critical Thinking
Research
Analysis

Progression & Career Opportunities

College, university or employment in areas such as:

Filmmaking
Online content creation
Journalism
Teaching
Advertising

