

Year 11 Academic Year English

Our Year 11 Academic Year English course builds on the grammar review and skills building of the Year 10 course. The Year 11 course focuses on applying the key skills in assignments and examinations. We also work on speaking and listening, building student's skills and confidence. The final part of the Year 11 course focuses on exam practice; offering an extended exam practice series of lessons to help hone the student's examination techniques under timed conditions.

As with all courses designed by Jinstar this course is benchmarked against the British National Curriculum for English Language.

Applying the skills – locating and selecting information in a comprehension

Apply the skills

7 Read the text on page 130 about the Kirirom national park again. Use your skimming and scanning skills, and your understanding of facts, opinions and information related to a specific theme, to answer the following questions.

- Give two facts about the king's palace, according to the text.
- Give two examples of things that you can do in Kirirom national park, according to the text.
- Give two features of the natural landscape in Kirirom national park, according to the text.

Checklist for success

- ✓ Quickly skim the text to remind yourself what it is about.
- ✓ Think about the type of information that the question is asking you to locate.
- ✓ Use your scanning skills to help you select appropriate information.

Check your progress:

- I can locate the main topic or idea in a text.
- I can locate a range of information in a text.

Speaking and Listening - Choosing and researching a presentation topic

Choosing and researching a presentation topic

When making a presentation, it is important to choose a good topic and research it well.

Explore the skills

Always think carefully about how to make a presentation interesting for your audience. Check that you know your topic in detail, so you will feel confident when talking and answering questions about it. If necessary, carry out research.

1 Which of these topics could you talk about most successfully? Why?

- Argue that problems caused by teenagers are sensationalised in the press.
- Advise the parents of primary school students to send them to your school.
- Explain why teenagers prefer technology to real life.

Top tip

When asked to give a presentation, try to choose a topic that will allow for a good discussion, to show your skills at analysis and debate.

Practice Paper 2 - Composition

Section B: Composition

Answer one question from Section B.

Questions 2 and 3

Write about 350 to 450 words on **one** of the following questions.

Up to 16 marks are available for the content and structure of your answer, and up to 24 marks for the style and accuracy of your writing.

EITHER

Descriptive writing

2 Describe a scene when a group of people meet to celebrate a happy occasion.

OR

Descriptive writing

3 Describe a quiet garden or park.

OR

Narrative writing

4 Write a story that includes the words, 'she stood in shock as the scene unfolded before her...'

Lesson -Term 1	Lesson Title	Introduction
1	Applying Key Skills	Comprehension - locating and selecting information, literal and inferred meanings. Practice questions and sample responses
2	Applying Key Skills	Summary Writing – Identifying and selecting according to the question focus. Selecting and ordering main points. Writing a summary.
3	Applying Key Skills	Analysing language. Identifying synonyms and literal meanings. Explaining the suggestions that words can create.
4	Applying Key Skills	Analysing language. Identifying the writer's craft. Analysing the writer's craft. Practice questions and sample responses
5	Applying Key Skills	Extended responses to reading and directed writing. Understanding extended response to reading questions. Extended response to reading: gathering information. Developing a convincing role. Structuring a response

6	Applying Key Skills	Extended responses to reading and directed writing. Understanding directed writing questions. Directed writing analysing and evaluating texts. Structuring your response.
7	Applying Key Skills	Composition – Understanding composition tasks. Planning ideas for descriptive writing. Structuring description creatively. Using senses and imagery in descriptive writing.
8	Applying Key Skills	Composition - narrative writing – structure and detail. Characterisation.
9	Applying Key Skills	Exam-style questions. Extended response to reading and directed writing. Composition. Sample responses. Model answers.
10	Applying Key skills in assignments.	Developing personal writing
11	Applying Key skills in assignments.	Assignment 1 – Responding to a text
12	Applying Key skills in assignments.	Assignment 2 – Writing to describe. Writing a descriptive text.
13	Applying Key skills in assignments.	Assignment 3 – Narrative Writing. Developing narrative writing.
14	Applying Key skills in assignments.	Drafting and improving your work
15	Applying Key skills in assignments.	Assignment style tasks and model responses
16	End of Term review and test	End of Term review and test
Term 2		
1	Speaking and Listening	Approaching speaking and listening. Using the right language. Choosing and researching a presentation topic.
2	Speaking and Listening	Structuring your presentation. Engaging your audience
3	Speaking and Listening	Developing a role. Preparing for conversation.
4	Speaking and Listening	Responding to talk. Seeing implications and paraphrasing
5	Speaking and Listening	Developing and supporting ideas with confidence.
6	Speaking and Listening	Practice tasks and sample responses
7	Speaking and Listening	Delivering your presentation
8	Exam Practice	The final 9 lessons of the course will focus on practice papers.
9	Exam Practice	An introduction to practice paper 1
10	Exam Practice	An introduction to practice paper 2
11	Exam Practice	Past paper review and practice
12	Exam Practice	Past paper review and practice
13	Exam Practice	Past paper review and practice
14	Exam Practice	Timed questions practice and review
15	Exam Practice	Timed questions practice and review
16	Exam Practice	Timed questions practice and review

