



GCSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT

Summer 2022 Only

Unit 1: Non-examination assessment

Oracy
20%

Task 1 (10%) – Individual Researched Presentation

(40 marks)

One individual, researched presentation, which may include responses to questions and feedback, based on WJEC set themes.

Task 2 (10%) – Responding and Interacting

(40 marks)

One group discussion to written and/or visual stimuli provided by WJEC to initiate the discussion.

Task 2 has been removed. Candidates must complete Task 1 only.

For both tasks, half of the available credit for AO1 will be awarded for the choice of appropriate register, grammatical accuracy and range of sentence structures with the remainder for content and organisation.

Unit 2: External assessment

Reading and Writing: Description, Narration and Exposition
40% (2 hours)

Section A (20%) – Reading

(40 marks)

Understanding of at least one description, one narration and one exposition text, including continuous and non-continuous texts, assessed through a range of structured questions.

This section will also include an editing task focusing on understanding short texts at word, sentence and text level (2.5% of qualification total).

Section B (20%) – Writing

(40 marks)

One writing task to be selected from a choice of two that could be either description, narration or exposition.

Narration writing will not be assessed. Candidates must select either the description writing task or the exposition writing task.

This section will also include one proofreading task focusing on writing accurately (2.5% of qualification total).

Half of the marks for this section will be awarded for communication and organisation (meaning, purpose, readers and structure) and the other for writing accurately (language, grammar, punctuation and spelling).

Unit 3: External assessment

Reading and Writing: Argumentation, Persuasion and Instructional*
40% (2 hours)

Section A (20%) – Reading

(40 marks)

Understanding of at least one argumentation, one persuasion and one instructional text, including continuous and non-continuous texts, assessed through a range of structured questions.

Section B (20%) – Writing

(40 marks)

Candidates will have a choice between an argumentation writing task and a persuasion writing task.

The total time of the question paper will be reduced by 30 minutes and the total mark reduced by 20 marks.

Half of the marks for this section will be awarded for communication and organisation (meaning, purpose, readers and structure) and the other half for writing accurately (language, grammar, punctuation and spelling).

** Instructional will be a required text type in Reading but will not be required as a Writing task as it does not appear in the Subject Principles for GCSE English Language.*

Unit 1: Oracy 20%

Removal of Task 2: Responding and Interacting (group discussion).

The conditions of control for Task 1: Individual Researched Presentation will be more permissive to enable students not able to attend school or college to complete their presentations.

Unit 2: Description, Narration and Exposition (written exam) 40%

Learners will have a choice from description writing and exposition writing for Section B of Unit 2 in summer 2022. Narration writing will not be assessed in summer 2022.

Unit 3: Argumentation, Persuasion and Instructional (written exam) 40%

Change the requirement to answer both writing tasks in Section B. Candidates will be offered a choice of responding to **either** the argumentation task **or** the persuasion task. This will reduce the timing of the examination by 30 minutes.

This adapted specification is available for entry in **2022 only**. Candidates entering the qualification in 2022 should use the approved [specification](#).