

How do I revise for English Language?

1. **Get organised!** You have lots of stuff in your folders. Find it. Sort it. And use it. Remember to **bring your folder to every English lesson.**
2. **Use the internet.** There is stuff on there that is pretty useful (GCSE Bitesize, YouTube guides and revision websites).
3. **Use SAM learning.** There is a whole section on grammar and punctuation and another section with example exam questions for you to look at.
4. **Use student resources.** O:\Student Resources\English\Year 11 Revision There's simply loads of stuff in here to support your revision in school, at home, in study support, on the bus... you get the picture!
5. **Practise reading exam papers.** Sounds like an obvious one but make sure you're really familiar with exam papers and what to expect so nothing comes as a surprise. What will it look like? What will you think about as you prepare to answer the questions?
6. **Practise questions!** Time yourself and answer questions from past exam papers. Look in your folders for questions you've already been given-try them again to see if you can improve.
7. **Plan some essays.** Time yourself, spend ten/fifteen minutes writing down and then organising your ideas for different questions. It's helpful to do this for the **writing exam** in particular. You don't always need to write them up.
8. **Read lots of examples of text types you might get in the writing exam.** Pick up leaflets, newspapers, magazines and letters. Look at how they are set out and think about how you can use the ideas in your own writing.
9. **Use these texts to make up your own reading paper questions.** For example: How does this leaflet make the reader...? What are the writer's thoughts and feelings about...? Setting your own questions can help you think more about what the examiner might be looking for.
10. **READ!** The more you read the more likely you are to do well-in ALL subjects, not just English. Practise reading quickly and looking for important information in a text. Practise writing in the style of successful writers of fiction and non-fiction that you've read.

Keep calm, do a little but often! GOOD LUCK!