

# Transition Subject Tasks



**Subject:** English Language

**Course:** A Level

**Exam Board:** AQA

*Tasks below are to be completed before September 2020*

<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Improve your theory knowledge and understanding about the grammar system of the English Language. Visit <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z2y9dmn/revision/1">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z2y9dmn/revision/1</a> - and go through the information, videos and complete the tests on there. Make notes as you go.</li><li>2. You should also visit: <a href="http://www.universalteacher.org.uk/lang/engstruct.htm">http://www.universalteacher.org.uk/lang/engstruct.htm</a> - read through the information there - making notes on what you learn. This is more detailed/complex and will be studied in more detail in Y12.</li></ol>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>3. A great introduction to studying English Language is the Stephen Fry series Planet Word. It's really enjoyable and it covers many of the key areas that make up the A level course. It is available on the Daily Motion website if you search for Planet Word - links to each episode are also below. Ep 1 <a href="https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xqa1zt">https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xqa1zt</a> Ep 2 <a href="https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xqavsf">https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xqavsf</a> Ep 3 <a href="https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xqb28e">https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xqb28e</a> Ep 4 <a href="https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xqbuni">https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xqbuni</a> Ep 5 <a href="https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xqcu23">https://www.dailymotion.com/video/xqcu23</a><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Once you have watched the series, write a reflective piece that captures what you have learnt from it. Consider things that are new to you or anything that surprised you. Record the experiments that really interested you or any of the experts interviewed that you'd like to know more about. If you have questions, record those as well to ask your teachers in September.</li></ul></li><li>4. A great website to explore is <a href="https://englishlangsfx.blogspot.com/">https://englishlangsfx.blogspot.com/</a> - it is written by the Chief Examiner of the A level paper. Visit weekly, reading a post that interests you.</li><li>5. Another good place to learn about language is through the BBC Radio 4 Podcast Word of Mouth - there is a full list of episodes here: <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qtzn/episodes/downloads">https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qtzn/episodes/downloads</a> Pick 3 episodes that appeal to you, there's a wide range to choose from.</li></ol>	



<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Once you have listened, pick the episode you found most interesting. Produce a powerpoint/poster presentation to give to your class about that episode. Your aim is to explain what the episode was about, what you learned from it and why it appealed to you.</li></ul>	
<p>6. Develop your creative writing skills, there are lots of different ways to do this. You could write a diary, short stories, plays or speeches. The website <a href="https://thejohnfox.com/2016/05/creative-writing-exercises/">https://thejohnfox.com/2016/05/creative-writing-exercises/</a> has lots of useful creative writing exercises that you can use to help your creative writing flow.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Create a journal of your creative writing. Fill it with your exercises, ideas, drafts - any writing you do!</li></ul>	