

PIMLICO

STATE HIGH SCHOOL

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SENIOR ENGLISH SUBJECT SELECTION

Information for Grade 10



ENGLISH FACULTY

- At Pimlico, all students will study English through to Year 12
- Being functionally literate is essential if you are going to succeed in life after school
- Making the right choice for you depends on the way in which you are currently progressing in Year 10, what you are currently achieving.



DID YOU KNOW THAT THERE ARE TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF ENGLISH?

You are able to choose from two different English Programs for your Senior years.

One is General subject and the other is an Applied subject.

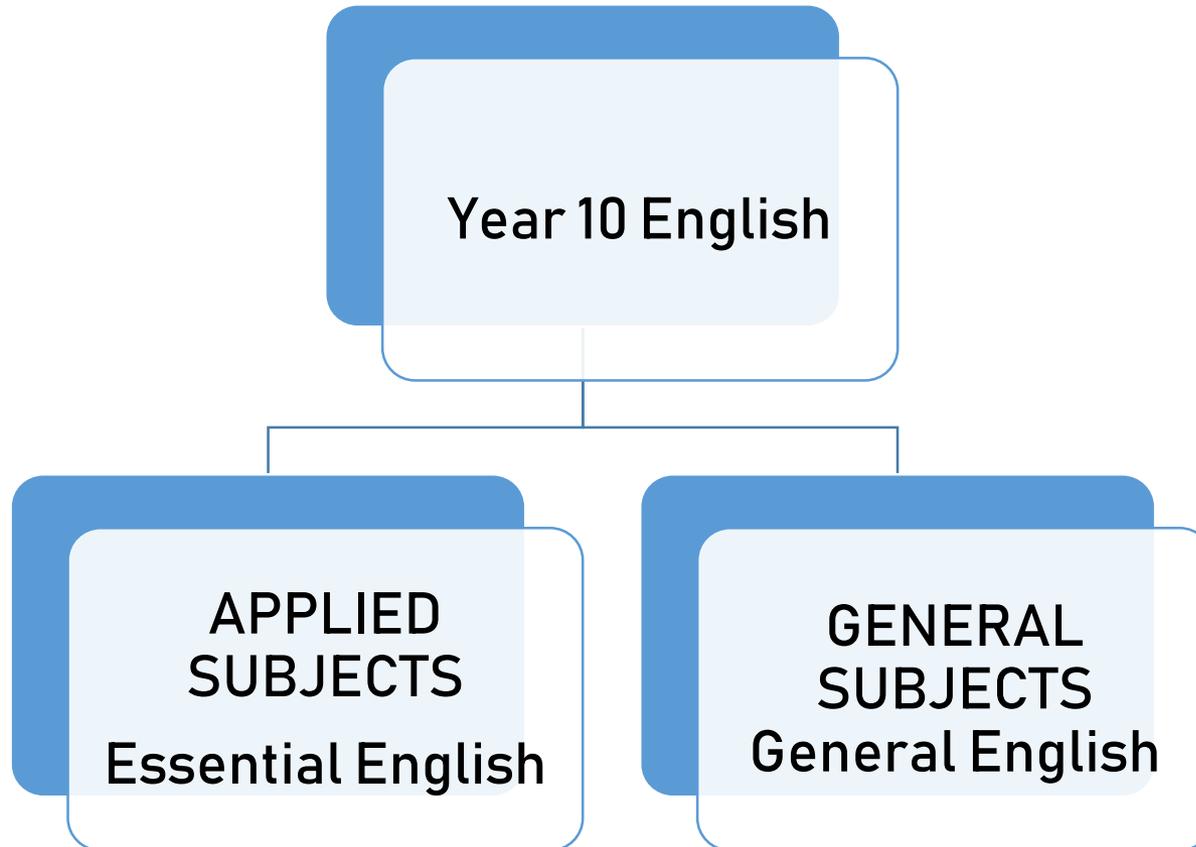


ENGLISH SUBJECTS

1. Essential English

2. General English

SENIOR ENGLISH



WHAT ARE GENERAL SUBJECTS?

General subjects are suited to students who are interested in pathways beyond senior secondary schooling that lead to tertiary studies (University) and to pathways for vocational education and training and work.

They include Extension subjects.



UNDERPINNING SKILLS

All General syllabuses are underpinned by:

Literacy skills — the set of knowledge and skills about language and texts essential for understanding and conveying content



UNDERPINNING SKILLS

21st century skills — the set of skills students need for success in life and work in the 21st century:

critical thinking

creative thinking

communication

collaboration and teamwork

personal and social skills

ICT skills



ENGLISH SUBJECT

GENERAL ENGLISH

Pre-requisite:

Students must be passing English in Grade 10



SUBJECT SUMMARY

Subject type	Assessment	QCE credits	Contributes to ATAR
General	Internal assessment (75%) External assessment (25%)	Up to 4	Yes



WHAT WILL STUDENTS LEARN?

In studying English, students will learn about:

- perspectives and texts
- texts and culture
- textual connections
- close study of literary texts.



HOW WILL STUDENTS BE ASSESSED?

Students will complete the following assessments:

Extended Response — written response for a public audience (25%)

Extended Response — persuasive spoken response (25%)

Extended Response — imaginative written response (25%)

Examination — analytical written response (25%).



APPLIED SYLLABUS - ESSENTIAL ENGLISH

Applied subjects are suited to students who are primarily interested in pathways beyond senior secondary schooling that lead to vocational education and training or work.

Results in Applied subjects contribute to the award of a QCE and one Applied subject result contribute to an ATAR.



ABOUT ESSENTIAL ENGLISH

Essential English develops and refines students' understanding of language, literature and literacy to enable them to interact confidently and effectively with others in everyday, community and social contexts.



ESSENTIAL ENGLISH SUBJECT

Pre-requisite: There is no pre requisite



APPLIED SYLLABUSES ARE UNDERPINNED BY:

Literacy skills — knowledge and skills about language and texts essential for understanding and conveying content

Core skills for work — the set of knowledge, understanding and non-technical skills that underpin successful participation in work.



APPLIED SYLLABUSES ARE UNDERPINNED BY:

Applied Learning- The acquisition and application of knowledge, understanding and skills in real-world contexts

Community connections — the awareness and understanding of life beyond by connecting classroom experience with the world outside the classroom



SUBJECT SUMMARY

Subject type	Assessment	QCE credits	Contributes to ATAR
Applied	Internal assessment (100%)	Up to 4	Only 1 may contribute when combined with 4 General subjects



WHAT WILL STUDENTS LEARN?

In studying Essential English, students will learn about:

- language that works
- texts and human experiences
- language that influences
- representations and popular culture texts.



HOW WILL STUDENTS BE ASSESSED?

Students will complete the following assessments:

Extended Response — spoken/signed response

Common Internal Assessment

Extended Response — multimodal response

Extended Response — written response.



NEED MORE INFORMATION?

What to do next:

Speak to your English teacher about how you are progressing in the subject and what they feel might be best for you.

Speak to your parents and talk over the options that are available to you.

Consider what you would like to do after school and what type of English would suit you best.

