

English B (HL) 11 (2016-2017)

Time: 7x 35 minutes per week

Course Description:

English B is a course in which students learn functional English. They learn to handle various kinds of texts in relation to the core and two optional topics and comprehend them by answering short structured questions, multiple choice and true-false questions and sequence ideas and produce different text types according to the appropriate type of cultural interaction. This is in accordance with the English B examination format. Students are also required to engage in oral activities which will be considered and internally assessed for the final assessment. There are additional expectations of students studying at Higher Level. They must deal with literary texts and are expected to produce a pastiche-like creative piece based on one literary text and learn to write essays based on the core and optional topics.

Resources:

Philpot, Brad. *English B for the IB Diploma Coursebook*. Cambridge.
Orwell, George. 1984. London. Penguin.
Keyes, Daniel, *Flowers for Algernon*. London. Gollancz.
Sondheim, Stephen and James Lapine. *Into the Woods*. NY. Theatre Communications Group.
Cisneros, Sandra. *The House on Mango Street*. Bloomsbury.
Plus a wide range of additional resources/texts to encourage exposure to various genres.

Main Topics Covered:

Semester 1

- Novel Study: *Flowers for Algernon* & *House on Mango Street*
- Core and optional topics
- Feature Article
- Blog
- Exposition essay writing – Response Question
- Text-handling skills
- Past years papers – mid year

Semester 2

- Novel Study: *1984*
- Core and optional topics
- Advertisement
- Brochure / Pamphlet / Leaflet
- Speech
- Journal
- Critical review
- Text-handling skills
- Past years papers – mid and end of year

Assessment

Internal Assessment for Reports	Weighting
Quarter 1 – CA1 only Quarter 2 (end of semester 1) – CA1+ CA2 + SA1 Quarter 2 – CA3 only Quarter 4 (end of semester 2) – CA3+ CA4 + SA2 • End of Semester Examinations (SA1 Or SA2) • Continual Assessment (CA1 + CA2 Or CA3 + CA4) including: - Oral assessments - Written assessments	70 20 + 10
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