The study of English in Stage 5 fosters in students critical and creative thinking through the study of language and quality literature. Students will experience a wide range of texts and develop skills in crafting their own texts by responding to and critically evaluating the ideas represented by others. Emphasis will be placed on developing skills in reading, writing, listening, speaking and visual literacy. Students will be assessed using a range of measures. These include written, spoken, visual representation, creative and analytical writing, and contextual research. Students are given a detailed schedule of the assessment tasks at the start of the year.

Subject Assessment: Students are assessed throughout the course

Year 9

Semester One and Semester Two Reports are based on whole year assessment and teacher appraisal of student's demonstrated performance as indicated by the course performance descriptors issued by the NESA (NSW Education Standards Authority).

Year 10

Semester One and Semester Two Reports are based on whole year assessments including an Examination towards the end the year and teacher appraisal of the individual student's demonstrated performance as indicated by the course performance descriptors issued by the NESA (NSW Education Standards Authority).

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