

Curriculum Description:

Grade 5 English Language Art – IG Program

Welcome to the Grade 5 English Language Arts curriculum at IW Academy! This curriculum is tailored to meet the standards of the UK's International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) program, providing students with a comprehensive and engaging approach to mastering the English language. Throughout the academic year, students will engage in a variety of activities and projects designed to deepen their understanding of literature and language, while developing the essential skills needed for success in their future studies.

Engaging and Comprehensive Curriculum

Our Grade 5 English Language Arts curriculum offers a holistic approach to language learning, with an emphasis on critical thinking, creativity, and effective communication. The curriculum is designed to be student-centered, allowing learners to take an active role in their education, and encouraging them to explore and appreciate the richness of the English language.

1. Reading Comprehension: Students will explore a wide range of texts, including classic and contemporary literature, non-fiction, poetry, and drama. The curriculum focuses on developing critical reading skills, such as understanding main ideas, making inferences, comparing and contrasting themes, and analyzing characters. Through guided reading sessions, class discussions, and written reflections, students will build the ability to engage with and interpret complex texts.

2. Vocabulary Development: Building a strong and diverse vocabulary is essential for academic success and effective communication. In this curriculum, students will systematically expand their vocabulary through exposure to new words, synonyms, antonyms, and contextual usage. Vocabulary exercises will be integrated into daily lessons, ensuring that students not only learn new words but also understand how to use them accurately in both written and spoken language.

3. English Grammar & Writing: A solid understanding of English grammar is crucial for writing with clarity and precision. This course offers an in-depth exploration of grammar, including sentence structure, parts of speech, punctuation, and tense usage. Students will practice these skills through a variety of writing tasks, from crafting well-structured paragraphs to composing detailed essays. The focus will be on developing students' ability to express their ideas clearly and logically, while also encouraging creativity and individual voice in their writing.

4. Speaking and Listening: Effective speaking and listening skills are vital for success both in and out of the classroom. Students will work on articulating their ideas clearly and confidently, with attention to pacing, volume, and pronunciation. They will also develop active listening skills, learning to understand and respond to spoken language in various contexts. Through activities such as presentations, group discussions, and debates, students will enhance their ability to communicate effectively and thoughtfully.

Advanced Teaching Methods and Technologies

At IW Academy, we are dedicated to providing a modern and dynamic learning environment. The Grade 5 English Language Arts curriculum incorporates a range of advanced teaching methods and technologies to support students in mastering the skills and knowledge required by the IGCSE program. These include:

- **Artificial Intelligence (AI):** Personalized learning tools that adapt to each student's progress and provide tailored feedback.
- **Micro-learning:** Short, focused lessons that enhance retention and understanding of key concepts.
- **Hybrid Learning:** A blend of traditional classroom instruction and online resources, offering flexibility and a richer learning experience.
- **Mobile Learning:** Accessible content that allows students to learn at their own pace, wherever they are.
- **Gamification:** Interactive exercises and games that make learning engaging and fun, while reinforcing key concepts.
- **Interactive Illustrations and Advanced Graphics:** Visual aids that bring complex ideas to life, making them easier to grasp.
- **Variety of Assessment Styles:** Diverse assessment methods, including online exams, interactive exercises, and time-based proficiency assessments, ensure comprehensive evaluation of student progress.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the Grade 5 English Language Arts curriculum, students will have:

- Developed strong reading comprehension skills, enabling them to analyze and interpret a wide range of texts.
- Expanded their vocabulary and enhanced their understanding of English grammar.
- Improved their writing skills, with a focus on clarity, coherence, and creativity.
- Strengthened their speaking and listening abilities, preparing them for effective communication in various settings.
- Cultivated a deeper appreciation for literature and the English language.

This curriculum is designed to be both challenging and rewarding, laying the groundwork for continued success in the IGCSE program and beyond.

The following are highlights of the curriculum content, curriculum chapters, and English language skills covered in the curriculum.

#	Chapter	Skills & Competencies
1	Chapter 1: Grammar - Part I	Identify regular and irregular verbs, Identify and use various structures (present perfect, present simple passive, past simple passive, reported speech).
2	Chapter 2: Grammar - Part II	- Identify the meaning of various prefixes and suffixes (pre-, non-, -er, and -ness and many more) - Determine the meaning of compound words - Differentiate between concrete and abstract nouns - Identify and use the first conditional - Identify and use the second conditional
3	Chapter 3: Grammar - Part III	- Difference between direct and indirect objects - Identify the meaning of prepositional phrases - Identify the role and use of relative pronouns (who, which, that, and more) - Use reflexive pronouns in context appropriately (myself, yourself, herself, and more), Identify and use question tags.
4	Chapter 4: Reading - Part I	- Learn new vocabulary related to various topics, Read and understand informational texts, Identify elements of poetry, Identify story elements. - Idioms, shades of meaning, synonyms and antonyms, homophones and multiple-meaning words.
5	Chapter 5: Reading - Part II	- Learn new vocabulary related to various topics, Compare and contrast texts, Match causes and effects in informational texts, poetry, Read graphic organizers. - Jobs and professions, recycling, similes and metaphors, elements of poetry.
6	Chapter 6: Listening - Part I	Listening and comprehension, listen different topics and answer questions, various lessons and practices.
7	Chapter 7: Writing - Part I	- Subordinating conjunctions - Differentiate between facts and opinions - Organize information paragraphs - Editing Your Writing, organizing your writing, writing introduction and conclusions - Summarize stories and paragraphs - Practice revising paragraphs - Read and spell the words - Introduce the “no excuse” words list for Grade 5 (against, beautiful, caught, mountain, problem, several, straight, understand, and many more).