

**Brook Green
Centre for Learning
English and Literacy Homework**



All students at Brook Green Centre for Learning will be given two pieces of English homework per week. This will include one writing or reading homework and one spelling homework. All students are given a whole week to complete their homework. This means that all students have enough time to complete their homework even if they are away for the weekend or take part in mid-week activities.

Homework enables students to consolidate their English knowledge at home, practice their writing skills, engage in reading and understanding, and work with other family members as well as so many other things. Even from this short list you can understand how beneficial English homework is.

Key Stage 4

Students in years 10 and 11 will be given homework that their teacher sets each week. This will mostly be topic related questions for students following the GCSE course. Some of these homework's will be specific exam style questions aimed at getting students used to these style of questions and helping them gain confidence. Other homework may include reading comprehension and writing tasks. All students receive one set of spellings to learn every week. Students are tested on these spellings on a weekly basis. GCSE English Language students are also given a 'Brook Green Paper 1 Reading' examination booklet. This booklet includes many texts and questions. Students are able to work through this at their own pace and bring in any work they may have done at home to be marked for the next day.

Key Stage 3

Students in years 7, 8 and 9 will also be given homework that their teacher sets. This homework will e.g. relate to the book they are currently reading, be reading comprehension, short writing tasks or 'cloze' tasks. The minimum time taken on their English homework should be 30 minutes each week. All student are also given 'themed' spelling homework to learn on a weekly basis. Students are tested on these spellings on a weekly basis.

Please note. A copy of the Brook Green Centre for Learning 'Literacy Across the Curriculum' booklet will have been sent home for all students in order for students, parents and carers to use it at home if needed. A copy of this booklet is also available in PDF form from our website.