

# Year 12 English Language - Summer Preparation

## Independent Learning

Students of English Language are expected to undertake independent and sustained studies to deepen their appreciation and understanding of the English Language. Therefore, to prepare for this course we recommend that language students become familiar with the following text types and create a bank of these types of texts. The text types are as follows:

- Newspaper articles
- Magazine articles
- Advice Leaflets
- Persuasive leaflets
- Blogs
- Travel writing

We also recommend using the following websites to research aspects of English Language:

[www.babelzine.com](http://www.babelzine.com) - Babel Magazine (cutting edge research in Linguistics, aimed at a wide range of language lovers).

[www.englishandmedia.co.uk/emag/](http://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/emag/) - Emagazine is a quarterly subscription magazine, with website for A Level students of English subjects.

<http://linguistics-research-digest.blogspot.co.uk/> - Summaries of recent articles about linguistics.

[www.llas.ac.uk/resources/gpg/2827](http://www.llas.ac.uk/resources/gpg/2827) - An article overviewing the history of language and gender

[www.universalteacher.org.uk/contents.htm#langua](http://www.universalteacher.org.uk/contents.htm#langua) - Includes a range of topics on English language for A level students.

[www.dialectsarchive.com/](http://www.dialectsarchive.com/) - Recordings of varieties of English around the world.

<http://technonanny.wordpress.com/> - Originally available through the Teachit website, this is a blog written by a grandmother to Louise and Spike, who has been following them around with a voice recorder for over a year.

[www.ted.com/](http://www.ted.com/) - Relevant talks on the TED site.