

# Essential Skills for GCSE English: Getting a C or Higher

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10 am	Arrive; welcome; aims of the day
	Session 1: Developing your writing skills: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How to write clearly and accurately</li><li>• Understanding the key ingredients of good writing for grade C and grade A</li><li>• Practising the skills</li><li>• How to write under pressure</li><li>• How to convince the examiner that you're a great writer</li></ul>
11:15 am	Break
11:30	Session 2: Developing your reading skills: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How to read a range of texts</li><li>• How to read accurately</li><li>• How to understand what examiners are looking for</li><li>• How to write about what you have read</li><li>• How to read accurately under pressure</li></ul>
12:45	Lunch
1:15 pm	Session 3: Building your skills: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Practising the range of reading tasks in the exam</li><li>• Practising the range of writing skills needed in the exam</li><li>• Knowing how to improve your spelling</li><li>• Learning the key vocabulary for great English work</li><li>• Planning a revision course that guarantees success</li></ul>
2:15pm	Summary of key skills and knowledge Evaluation