



ANCIENT GREEK A Level

Awarding Body

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Who is the course for?

Students who enjoyed Ancient Greek at G.C.S.E. level and who wish to develop further their understanding of the Latin language and the literature of the ancient Greeks.

What can it lead to?

A qualification in Ancient Greek still commands a great deal of respect amongst the academic community; it is a rare qualification and almost exclusively taught at independent schools. It can lead directly to degrees in classics and law, but also to many other university courses relating to language, literature and history. Doctors' Hippocratic oath was originally in Greek, so is even relevant for a career in medicine!

What are the entry requirements?

At least 6 grade 5-9 GCSEs including English Language, Mathematics and a grade 5 or above in GCSE Ancient Greek.

What will I Study?

You will build upon your knowledge of the Ancient Greek language at G.C.S.E. to enable you to develop a more confident and analytical approach to the translation of Greek into English. You will read, discuss and write about a few Ancient Greek authors to enhance your skills of communication, hone your analytical skills and further develop your skills of literary criticism.

How will I be taught?

Teaching will be in the form of whole class teaching and group work. Regular homework will be set, including such tasks as translation, grammar practice, preparation of literary texts and vocabulary learning.

How will I be assessed?

At the end of the two years, students will sit four written exams: two exams will assess their understanding of the language and two will assess their understanding of and appreciation for four ancient texts.

What units will I take?

- 1. Prose literature: one Greek philosopher and one historian. (25%)
- 2. Verse literature: two Greek poets. (25%)
- 3. Unseen translation. (33%)
- 4. Comprehension. (17%)

What equipment or materials will I need?

You will need: An Ancient Greek dictionary, texts, a textbook, A4 writing paper, A4 folder, pens, pencils, highlighters etc.

Course Offer Conditions

Rooks Heath expects to run courses that are offered. However, courses that do not recruit to a satisfactory level may be offered at another centre or withdrawn.