



**New Senior Secondary
(NSS)**

English Language Curriculum

Design of NSS English Language Curriculum

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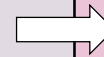
Compulsory Part

[Reading, Writing,
Listening, Speaking]

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SBA (Part A)

(75%)(305 hrs)

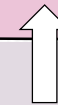
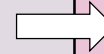


Elective Part

SBA (Part B)

(25%)

(100 hrs for 3
modules)



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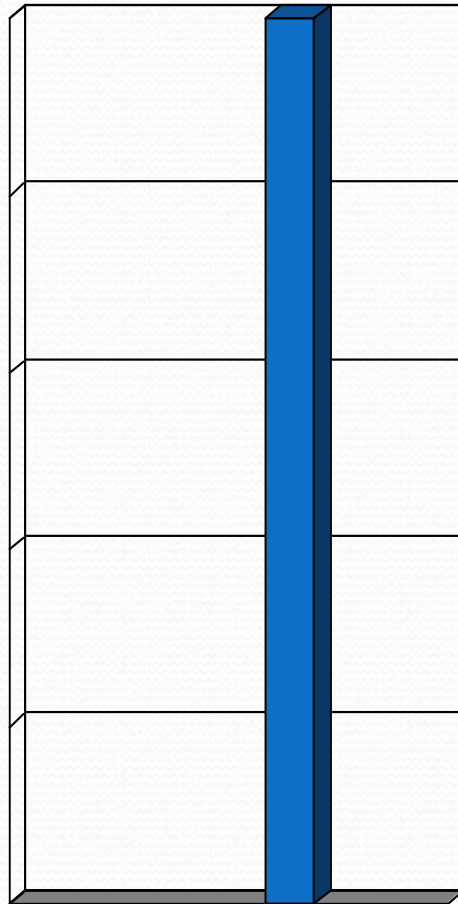
Assessment Framework (HKEAA)

Component		Weighting	Duration
Public exam	Paper 1 Reading	20%	1 hr 30 mins
	Paper 2 Writing	25%	2 hours
	Paper 3 Listening & Integrated Skills	30%	2 hours
	Paper 4 Speaking	10%	20 minutes
School-based assessment (SBA)	(Part A and Part B)	Part A 7.5% + Part B 7.5%	= 15%

Different levels of performance (Levels 1 – 5)

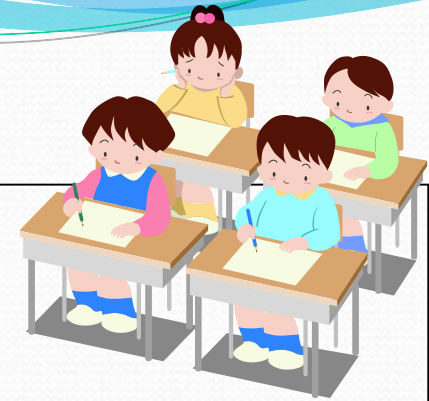
- Level 5 - the highest
- Level 1 - the lowest
- Levels 5* and 5** will be awarded to provide finer discrimination at the top end

Different levels of performance



- Level 5 , 5* , 5**
- Level 4
- Level 3
- Level 2
- Level 1

PAPER 1 READING

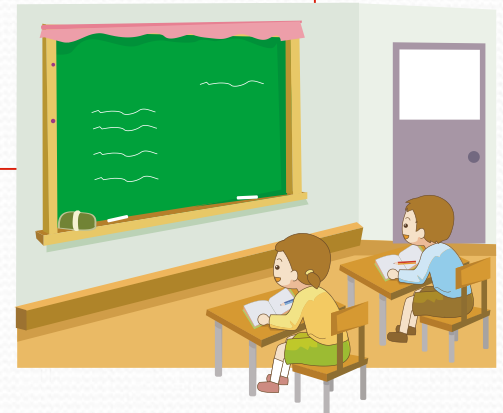


- **Consists of three sections:**
 - Section 1 - compulsory**
 - Section 2 - easiest**
 - Section 3 - most difficult**
- **Candidates can choose to do *either 1 & 2 or 1 & 3***
- **Candidates attempting *Sections 1 & 2* can attain *up to Level 4 only***
- **Candidates attempting *Sections 1 & 3* can attain *up to Level 5*****

PAPER 2 WRITING

Part A

- **Short, guided task**
- **About 200 words**
- **Situation, purpose & relevant information provided**



PAPER 2 WRITING

Part B

- Longer, more open-ended task
- About 400 words
- Choice of one out of 8 questions
- Each based on one of the 8 modules in the Elective Part

PAPER 3

LISTENING & INTEGRATED SKILLS



- **Consists of three sections:**
 - Section 1 - compulsory**
 - Section 2 - easiest**
 - Section 3 - most difficult**
- **Candidates can choose to do *either 1 & 2 or 1 & 3***
- **Candidates attempting Sections 1 & 2 can attain up to Level 4 only**
- **Candidates attempting Sections 1 & 3 can attain up to Level 5****

PAPER 4 Speaking



Part A Group Interaction

Preparation: **10 minutes**

Discussion : **8 minutes**

Part B Individual Response

Preparation: **0 minute**

Response : **1 minute**



SBA

SBA Component (Part A)

*for school candidates only

Part A

Consisting of a reading/viewing programme:

- Read/view *four texts over the course of 3 years*
- *at least one from each of the four categories:*
 1. **print fiction**
 2. **print non-fiction**
 3. **non-print fiction**
 4. **non-print non-fiction**
- make individual presentations and take part in group discussions on the texts read/viewed and **respond** to teacher's questions

SBA Component (Part B)

Elective Part

Language Arts

Learning English through
Drama

Learning English through
Short Stories

Learning English through
Poems and Songs

Learning English through
Popular Culture

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Elective
Modules

Non-Language Arts

Learning English through
Workplace Communication

Learning English through
Sports Communication

Learning English through
Debating

Learning English through
Social Issues

The module outlines, schemes of work and teacher resources can be downloaded from the “334” Web Bulletin (<http://edb.gov.hk/334>)

SBA Component (Part B)

Language Arts	Non-Language Arts
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Drama◆ Short Stories◆ Poems & Songs◆ Popular Culture	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Sports Communication◆ Debating◆ Social Issues◆ Workplace Communication

Start preparing for NSS

1. Get ready a 3-year notebook for English lessons
2. Read English newspaper articles
3. Build your vocabulary power
4. Listen to English songs
5. Watch English movies
6. Read aloud a short paragraph of English
7. Participate English-speaking activities
8. ...
9. ...
10. ...



Work Harder !
Never Give Up!