

Open access to resources for home educators, private tutors and private candidates

Most of the resources on our webpages are open access. A few resources have a silver padlock. This is either because they contain material with copyright restrictions (anthologies), or because teachers in schools and colleges require an assessment to remain secure for a period so that they can use it as a mock assessment.

Silver-padlocked documents can only be accessed by Edexcel teachers in Edexcel centres who have an Edexcel Online login.

Unfortunately, home-educators, private tutors and private candidates cannot have such a login as these are managed by exams officers in schools and colleges.

Everything you need to deliver any of Edexcel's English qualifications, except some anthologies, can be accessed without a login. Materials which are locked so that they can be used for mock exams are usually unlocked 12 months after the assessment was live, on 1 August for June exam series.

Unlocked assessment material

Every qualification has a substantial range of unlocked assessment material as GCSEs in English have been sat since 2017 (2 series per year for English Language) and Int GCSEs (3 sets of papers per year for each qualification) since 2018.

International GCSEs

International GCSE English Language A Linear (25 plus sets of open access papers)

[Sample assessment material](#)

[Specimen paper](#)

[Past papers](#)

[Anthology](#)

International GCSE English Language A Modular (international centres) (5 sets of open access past papers but students can also use the linear past papers which are identical in format)

[Sample Assessment Materials](#)

[Past papers](#)

[Anthology](#)

International GCSE English Language B (25 plus sets of open access papers)

[Sample assessment material](#)

[Specimen paper](#)

[Past papers](#)

International GCSE English Literature Linear (25 plus sets of open access papers)

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International GCSE English Literature Modular (international centres) (5 set of open access papers but students can also use the linear past papers which are identical in format)

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Student books for International GCSEs in English

Students may like to purchase the [student books](#) for each of our International English GCSEs. Access [student book answer resources](#).

Please note, there is no accompanying 'teacher book'. Tutors/parents may purchase a subscription to the online teacher resources, but these are intended for front of class teaching and do not provide 'answers' to student book activities.

GCSEs

GCSE English Language 1EN0 (15 plus sets of open access papers)

[Sample assessment material](#)

[Specimen papers 1 & 2](#)

[Past papers](#)

GCSE English Language 2.0 (7 sets of open access papers)

[Sample assessment materials](#)

[Specimen paper](#)

[Past papers](#)

[Anthology](#)

GCSE English Literature (12 plus sets of open access papers)

[Sample assessment material](#)

[Specimen papers 1 & 2](#)

[Past papers](#)

[Anthologies](#)

Students may wish to purchase [various student books and revision materials](#) for our three English GCSEs.

Getting a hard copy of a Pearson Edexcel published anthology

Please note that students may not take a copy of a Pearson Edexcel anthology into any exam, so students do not require a clean hard copy for any English examination.

In the first instance, the centre where a home-educated or private candidate is entered for their exam is responsible for providing a candidate with any material that they need which is padlocked on the Edexcel website, including anthologies.

Home educators, private tutors and private candidates requiring hard copy Pearson Edexcel anthologies may email teachingenglish@pearson.com providing their postal address and details of which anthology they need to request a free copy:

GCSE English Literature: Poetry

International GCSE English Language and English Literature anthology

A level English Literature Shakespeare critical anthologies (comedy or tragedy)

A level English Language and Literature: voices anthology

Private candidate access to padlocked past papers after an entry has been made

Private candidates who have been entered for an exam series and require access to padlocked exam materials to support their exam preparation, may [request access](#).

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