



British  
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School



ACADEMICS OF THE FUTURE SPECIALISMS

# Writing

The Writing specialism is delivered by the Academic Teaching Team and includes 7½ hours of lessons per week.

## COURSE DETAILS 2024

**Centre:** Oundle

**Course:**  
Academics of the future

**Ages:** 12-17yrs

**English Levels:**  
B1 to C1

**Tuition Ratio:** 1:14

**Tuition Time:**  
7½ hours p/w

**Days:**  
Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri

**Times:** 13:00-14:30

**Specialism:** Students undertake a number of writing tasks every week.

**Syllabus:** Adapted from the IGCSE First Language and Second Language Syllabus.

## OBJECTIVES

- To develop students' technique and abilities in a variety of contexts for academic, professional, and creative purposes.
- To help students understand the importance and relevance of adapting their tone, style and register for different forms, purposes, and audiences.
- To improve students' semantic and grammatical accuracy when writing in both formal and informal contexts in English.
- To undertake several different writing tasks every week and receive personalised feedback with suggestions for improvement.

## OTHER BENEFITS

Academic study brings many benefits such as:

- Expanding and diversifying students' general knowledge
- Improving time management
- Enhancing critical thinking skills
- Developing self-understanding and perseverance
- Increasing employability and career opportunities

**“To improve students’ English to help them write more freely, accurately, and confidently.”**

## WRITING PURPOSES & STYLES COVERED:

- Academic
- Creative
- Factual
- Journalistic
- Literary
- Professional



## SAMPLE OUTCOMES

### General Witing Principles

- Express what is thought, felt and imagined
- Organise and convey facts, ideas and opinions effectively
- Use a range of vocabulary and sentence structures appropriate to the context
- Create and compose texts with a variety of forms and purposes, e.g. descriptive, narrative, discursive, argumentative and persuasive.
- Select and adapt tone, style and register for different forms, purposes and audiences
- Organise information and ideas, using structural and grammatical features to support coherence and cohesion of texts

### Writing to discuss, argue, and persuade

- Use a range of vocabulary and figurative language to get the reader to agree or acknowledge a point of view on a particular topic
- Use purpose, audience, tone, and content to present different opinions, argue a point or affect the reader

### Writing to describe

- Practise descriptive writing techniques
- Use sensory language in descriptive writing

### Writing to narrate

- Create a narrative: the narrative arc and the narrative hook
- Use a range of vocabulary and figurative language to create effects in writing

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## SAMPLE TASKS:

- Write the first paragraph of a novel
- Plan and write a short academic essay
- Write a reasoned reaction to a controversial blog
- Take minutes from a meeting and write them up
- Summarise a newspaper article
- Write a short biography of a classmate
- Compose an email of complaint about a faulty product
- Write an article for an online magazine



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