

# **IELTS (ACADEMIC)**

## WHY SHOULD I STUDY IELTS (ACADEMIC) ?

If you have studied outside of the UK and do not have a GCSE grade 5 or above in English Language (taken at a school in the UK), then you will require proof of your English Language level to apply to a UK or English-speaking university. In addition, Sixth Form study requires more academic and formal English language skills to be able to communicate effectively in your chosen subjects. IELTS is one of the most recognised English Language qualifications and is accepted by more than 11,000 employers, universities, schools and immigration bodies around the world with over 3 million people taking the test every year.

#### WHAT WILL I LEARN ABOUT?

Academic IELTS provides you with the language skills to access the curriculum, thrive in your studies in Sixth Form as well as making you university ready.

IELTS covers a wide range of language skills needed for academic study such as reading and summarising complex information, organising and writing essays effectively, presenting ideas, and you will be able to develop your vocabulary to an advanced level on a range of topics from globalisation to arts and culture.

### HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

IELTS is a task-based language test covering all four skills in language learning (Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking). The test is taken outside of King Edward's Witley, at specific IELTS test centres. The nearest test centres are in London, Guildford and Portsmouth. These tests are held throughout the year.

#### WHAT SKILLS WILL I DEVELOP?

Over the two-year course, you will develop reading and listening skills to extract relevant details. In writing, skills such as structuring an essay, writing an effective introduction and conclusion will be refined whilst developing grammar and vocabulary. Speaking skills are a continual focus and are practised and perfected in class discussions.

# WHERE COULD THIS SUBJECT TAKE ME IN THE FUTURE?

For those pupils requiring proof of English ability for university and/or visa purposes, IELTS provides the perfect solution.

