

WELSH Second Language (Full Course) Cymraeg Ail Iaith (Cwrs Llawn)

AMLINELLIAD O'R CWRS/COURSE OUTLINE

The course is based on 4 assessment units. For Units 1 and 2 (which will be assessed in Year 10) students have to study the following topic areas:

- Holidays
- Sports
- Fashion and shopping
- Famous Welsh personalities
- Cinema and films
- 'Pop' music
- Charity work / part time work
- The area
- Welsh culture
- Wales
- Myself
- A special event

Units 3 and 4 will be assessed in Year 11. The topic areas for Units 3 and 4 are:

- Leisure time
- Alcohol, drugs and smoking
- The environment
- Keeping fit and healthy
- Family and friends
- Home
- The weekend
- The media
- Technology
- Celebrating
- School life and experiences

ASESU/ASSESSMENT

UNIT 1: This assessment is an external examination [1 hour] which students will sit at the end of Year 10. The examination paper will assess students' reading and writing and is equivalent to 25% of the final subject grade (Reading 15%, Writing 10%).

UNIT 2: This is assessed with tasks set externally by the examination board in Year 10. These tasks will be completed in school under supervision. Students are expected to complete 3 tasks for Unit 2:

- an individual oral presentation [2 – 5 minutes]
- an oral role play task (pair work/group of 3 students) [5 – 10 minutes]
- a writing task based on the role play [150–250 words, to be completed in 1 hour]

Course Title: Welsh Second Language
Teitl Y Cwrs: Cymraeg Ail Iaith (Cwrs Llawn)
Examination Board: WJEC
Bwrdd Arholi: CBAC
Qualification: GCSE
Cymhwyster a Enillir: TGAU

Students are expected to spend 18 hours preparing for the Unit 2 tasks (this is in addition to normal lesson time). Students can use resources such as dictionaries, ICT resources, newspapers and books for research purposes when preparing.

This unit is equivalent to 25% of the final subject grade (Oral 20%, Writing 5%).

UNIT 3: This assessment is an external oral examination and students will be expected to discuss a given topic in pairs/groups of 3 and give personal opinions regarding the topic [5 – 10 minutes]. The examination is equivalent to 25% of the final subject grade (Oral 20%, Reading (the stimulus for the task) 5%). Students will sit this unit at the end of Year 11.

UNIT 4: This assessment is an external examination [1 hour] which students will sit at the end of Year 11. The examination paper will assess students' reading and writing and is equivalent to 25% of the final subject grade (Reading 10%, Writing 15%).

LLWYBRAU YMESTYN/FURTHER PATHWAYS

There are a host of opportunities open to those who have a qualification in and/or knowledge of Welsh. Most public organisations and large private businesses have a Welsh Language Policy and there is an increasing demand for bilingual staff and for those with appropriate language skills.

Students with knowledge of the Welsh language are much sought after in Wales particularly within the teaching profession, in the media, in politics nationally and in local government. The knowledge of a language is a tremendous asset in all walks of life as the skills associated with learning a language can be transferred.

Many subjects, including other languages, business, law, drama, theatre studies, music, history, religious education, economics and science and maths combine well with Welsh at both AS/A level and degree level

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