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## Course Overview for National 3 English and Literacy

The National 3 course allows S4 pupils to progress from the Broad General Education received through CfE in S1-S3 and work towards attaining a recognised English award. Pupils can progress from National 3/4 in S4, to attempt National 5 in S5.

This Course is made up of three mandatory Units. Units are statements of standards for assessment and not programmes of learning and teaching. They can be delivered in a number of ways: English: Understanding Language (National 3)

The purpose of this Unit is to provide learners with the opportunity to develop listening and reading skills in the contexts of literature, language and media. Learners develop the skills needed to understand, analyse and evaluate simple texts.

### English: Producing Language (National 3)

The purpose of this Unit is to provide learners with the opportunity to develop talking and writing skills in familiar contexts. Learners develop the skills needed to produce simple texts in both written and oral forms.

### Literacy (National 3)

The purpose of this Unit is to develop the learners' reading, writing, listening and talking skills in a variety of forms relevant for learning, life and work. Learners develop the ability to understand simple ideas and information presented orally and in writing. Learners develop the ability to communicate ideas and information orally and in writing with technical accuracy.

At National 3 level there is no final exam. To achieve the National 3 English Course, learners must pass all of the required Units.