

# Arabic A Level

## Edexcel

**In A Level Arabic, all examinations are at the end of the 2 years course. The course provides great opportunities for research and studying some of the major challenges facing the Arab world today.**

### Course Structure

Year One: This year focuses on the development of the four main skills – listening, speaking, reading and writing – with regular reinforcement of grammar points linked to the texts. You will study topics drawn from the following general topic areas:

Day-to day Matters; -Arab society past and present. Arab Artistic Culture, work and employment, tourism, environmental issues in the Arabic speaking world and Arab Political culture.

You will study materials from newspapers, magazines and discuss them in class. In addition, topical Arabic current affairs reports from the Press and Media are used to broaden your interest and knowledge of Arabic culture. You will begin to see your field of study in a broader inter-cultural perspective.

Year Two: Further General Topic Areas are studied: Arab identity, minorities in the Arab world, Political systems in the Arabic speaking world, Literature and the arts.

### Skills & Knowledge

At A Level, the sources are contemporary. The different aspects of Arabic society are studied in greater depth. You learn how to develop your information seeking skills by undertaking research into an issue of your choice which must relate to Arabic culture and/or Arabic society. You also focus your study on prescribed text in Arabic to broaden your experience and understanding of Arabic language.

### Assessment

This course is 100% exam-based, incorporating three papers.

### Opportunities & Enrichment

Arabic is now ranked as the sixth most spoken language in the world. 246 million people from the Middle East, South Asia and North Africa speak the language.

It is now taught in the most popular universities in the world due to a high demand from foreigners who are interested in getting to know the Arabic culture and also those who are intending to settle down and invest in certain Arab countries.

Students may also have the opportunity to visit the Islamic gallery in the British museum or may take part in trips to some Arab countries where they can broaden their knowledge about Arab culture and have a clear understanding of challenges that are facing the Arab world today.

### Future Careers & Pathways

Knowledge of Arabic is a real asset in many jobs and can lead to exciting careers both in the UK and abroad, especially in the foreign office, at the UN, or as a translator for the NHS or the judicial system. Furthermore, it is an additional advantage to those who are seeking employment in various fields, such as education, health, business management, as well as police, journalism and media.