

Aims

Group 1 aims

The aims of **language A: literature** and **language A: language and literature** at SL and HL, and of **literature and performance** at SL are to:

1. introduce students to a range of texts from different periods, styles and genres
2. develop in students the ability to engage in close, detailed analysis of individual texts and make relevant connections
3. develop the students' powers of expression, both in oral and written communication
4. encourage students to recognize the importance of the contexts in which texts are written and received
5. encourage, through the study of texts, an appreciation of the different perspectives of people from other cultures, and how these perspectives construct meaning
6. encourage students to appreciate the formal, stylistic and aesthetic qualities of texts
7. promote in students an enjoyment of, and lifelong interest in, language and literature.

Language A: language and literature aims

In addition, the aims of the **language A: language and literature** course at SL and at HL are to:

8. develop in students an understanding of how language, culture and context determine the ways in which meaning is constructed in texts
9. encourage students to think critically about the different interactions between text, audience and purpose.