GCSE

Home, Heritage and Community Languages

SST NORTHAMPTON SCHOOL FOR GIRLS



What are Home, Heritage and Community Languages?

There are over **36 languages** spoken at home to different degrees of fluency at **Northampton School for Girls**

Keeping these languages alive means that students' literacy skills are strengthened in both languages, students' sense of belonging and self esteem are developed and there is an enhancement of their cognitive and language skills.

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Course Overview and structure.

Examinations are provided by AQA and Pearson

Languages available at GCSE:

- ARABIC PERSIAN
 - BENGALI POLISH
 - BIB.HEBREW PORTUGUESE
- CHINESE RUSSIAN
- GERMAN TAMIL
 - GREEK TURKISH
- GUJARATI URDU
- ITALIAN
- JAPANESE
- MODERN HEBREW
- PANJABI

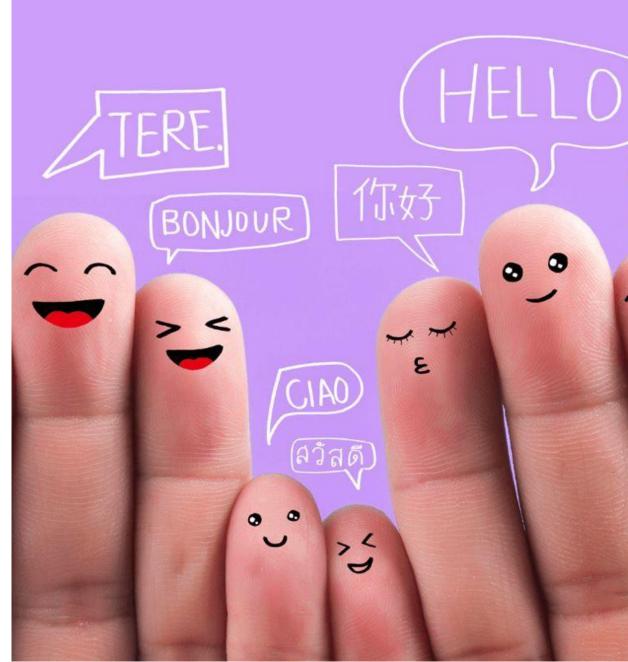
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Themes; Questions are set in common contexts. They are organised into **five** themes.

- Identity and culture
- Local area, holiday, travel
- School
- Future aspirations, study and work
- International and global dimension.





Assessment

Exams in all **four** skills areas at end of Year 10:

Paper 1 - Listening (25% of GCSE)
Paper 2 - Speaking (25% of GCSE)*
Paper 3 - Reading (25% of GCSE)
Paper 4 - Writing (25% of GCSE)

*Biblical Hebrew and Tamil do not have a speaking component





Key Career Skills

Effective Communication • Risk-taking • Problem Solving • Adaptability and Resilience Empathy and Cultural Agility

Future study and career opportunities

Studying **an extra GCSE in your Home Language** can lead to a career in many different fields.

The **UK has a multilingual and diverse population**; **multiple languages** are used and are needed across **public** and **private sectors** and civil society as a whole.

Languages are valued by UK employers and are particularly sought after in fields such as journalism and media, law, engineering, business, marketing and logistics, sport and leisure, travel and tourism, civil service, banking and teaching (UK and abroad).

We can also offer the opportunity to sit an A Level exam in your home language.

