

ACCESS: English Independent Study Support

INDEPENDENT STUDY – Preparation Consolidation Reflection

Remember you should be studying one hour independently for every hour of lesson time. In your independent study periods, once homework and assignments are complete, you should complete tasks from the following list:

Preparation

This course is designed to build on your skills from GCSE. To assist your learning in class ensure that you complete 1 task from the Reading and Writing Section below every week

Reading:

Read an article from a broadsheet newspaper – or an online article (The Times, Independent, Telegraph, Guardian) that interests you and complete the following tasks:



- Summarise in your own words what the article is about
 - ❖ Consider the purpose of the piece – is it to inform? Persuade? Advice? Entertain?
 - ❖ Has the writer achieved their purpose and how do you know? Write a reflective statement explaining HOW the writer has achieved their purpose by commenting on the language use

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/timesonline-xxsk7p279jb>

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk>

<https://www.independent.co.uk/>

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/>

The writer achieved their purpose by using facts, which gave weight to their argument. The writer also used rhetorical questions, and emotive language to evoke pathos in the reader

Consolidation

Writing



You must continue to practice writing for a number of audience, text types and audiences. Select one of these questions to complete once a week to accompany your studies in class. Ensure you pay close attention to vocabulary choices, punctuation and grammar.

Question: “There’s nothing worse than social media: it is addictive and ruins friendships” Write a blog entry presenting your point of view on this statement.

Question: “Young people are unhealthy. We need to eat better and exercise more” Write an article for the school magazine explaining your views on this topic.

Question: “There’s no greater feeling, and nothing more beneficial, than giving to charity” Write an article for a local newspaper explaining your views and ideas on this topic

Question: “The facilities in our local area could be improved” Write a letter to the local council explaining your views, ideas and suggestions on the statement.