

English



An Overview...

English is a major branch of the language arts and its main focus is on the written word. However, a broader, more commonly accepted definition would include the study of literature, speech, poetry, drama, and writing. The study of English orients students to the discipline of thinking and communicating.

Skills:

Background of general knowledge
High proficiency in reading, writing & speaking
Comprehensive command of grammar/vocabulary
Ability to conduct/explain research
Good listening, clarifying, questioning & responding skills

Ability to read analytically
Ability to read for styles/ideas
Capacity to work well under pressure
Ability to make critical observations/decisions
Ability to concentrate for long periods of time

Some Professional Careers:

Actor/Actress	Freelance Writer	Publicity Coordinator
Advertising Consultant	Humorist	Publisher
Archivist	Interpreter	Receptionist
Art Critic/Food Critic	Journalist	Reporter
Author	Lawyer	Researcher
Bibliographer	Lexicographer	Secretary
Biographer	Librarian	Software Documenter
Book Critic	Library Technical Assistant	Speech Pathologist
Bookstore Manager	Lobbyist	Speech Writer
Columnist	Media Specialist	Technical Writer
Commentator	Narrator	Textbook Writer
Copy Writer	Paralegal Assistant	Travel Agent
Court Reporter	Playwright	TV/Radio Announcer
Editor	Proofreader	University Administrator
Editor	Public Relations Director	

Hiring Organizations:

Advertising agencies
Bookstores
Communication firms
Department stores
Educational institutions
Film companies
Fund raising firms
Government agencies
Insurance companies

Magazines
Newspapers
Personnel departments
Professional journals
Public relation firms
Publishing firms
Radio/TV industry
Research/Development firms
Travel agencies

Professional Organizations:

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