

Varsity College Year 11 Essential English 2025

Term 1

Week	Date	Topics	Assessment
1	27-31 January O-Week Australia Day: Monday	Introduction to Unit 1 Part 1 (Language that works) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expectations and unit overview O-week activities 	
2	3-7 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to work skills and employment Character strengths and skills Employability skills 	
3	10-14 February Swimming Carnival: Tuesday Y11,12 Parent Information Session: Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring jobs that have continued to exist over time and their evolution View range of articles, videos and activities that relate to evolution of jobs 	
4	17-21 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Persuasive techniques and genre Exemplar deconstruction 	
5	24-28 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment task distributed Introduce assessment task Unpacking PowerPoint Planning and drafting of persuasive essay 	
6	3-7 March GCS25: Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft Due Working on accompanying PowerPoint 	Assignment Draft due lesson 1
7	10-14 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drafts returned lesson 1 Synthesise and finalise persuasive essay and accompanying powerpoint 	Assignment Final due lesson 3
8	17-21 March	Introduction to Unit 1 Part 2 (Tourism) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate holiday destinations 	
9	24-28 March	EXAM BLOCK	
10	31 March - 4 April Cross Country Carnival: Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel brochure/advertisement analysis and deconstruction 	
School holidays: Friday April 4 - Sunday April 19			

Term 2

Week	Date	Topics	Assessment
1	21-25 April Easter Monday ANZAC Day: Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel brochure/advertisement analysis and deconstruction continued 	
2	28 April-2 May GCS25: Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Persuasive techniques and genre Art and language of promotion 	
3	5-9 May Labour Day: Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of complaint structure and writing practice 	
4	12-16 May Parent Teacher Interviews: Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of complaint structure and writing practice continued Exemplar deconstruction 	
5	19-23 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practice Exam Peer review and feedback 	
6	26-30 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revision and application of feedback from practice exam 	
7	2-6 June GCS25: Wednesday	EXAM BLOCK	Exam
8	9-13 June GCS25: Wednesday	Introduction to Unit 2 (Exploring Diverse Perspectives) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss role models and their representations in the media Pre-viewing activities for first film Begin viewing of first film 	
9	16-20 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete viewing of first film Post-viewing activities of first film 	
10	23-27 June Athletics Carnival: Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-viewing activities for second film View second film Post-viewing activities for second film 	
School holidays: Saturday June 28 - Sunday July 13			

Term 3

Week	Date	Topics	Assessment
1	14-18 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review both films and role models Unpacking of assessment powerpoint Assessment task distributed 	
2	21-25 July Future Pathways Expo Y11, 12 Parent Information Session: Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analytical techniques and genre Exemplar deconstruction Analytical formative tasks 	
3	28 July-1 August Parent Teacher Interviews: Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Selection of own role model Research conducted of chosen role models 	
4	4-8 August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information poster planning Information poster creation Part A information poster due 	Part A due lesson 3
5	11-15 August GCS25: Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part B analytical speech planning and drafting 	
6	18-22 August GC25 (Finals): Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part B analytical speech drafts due 	Part B Draft due lesson 1
7	25-29 August GC Show Day: Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drafts returned L1 Finalise assessments 	Part B Final due lesson 3
8	1-5 September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speeches begin 	Presentations begin lesson 1
9	8-12 September	EXAM BLOCK	
10	15-19 September	EXAM BLOCK	
School holidays: Saturday September 20 – Sunday October 4			

Term 4

Week	Date	Topics	Assessment
1	6-10 October King's Birthday: Monday	Introduction to Unit 3 Part 1 (Shaping perspectives on community, local and global issues) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding community, local, global issues • Deconstructing media texts about these issues • Developing perspectives on issues 	
2	13-17 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Task distributed • Persuasive genre and techniques • Language and structure of persuasive speeches • Deconstruct exemplar 	
3	20-24 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Choose and research social issue • Evidence collection • Planning speech 	
4	27-31 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning and drafting speeches 	
5	3-7 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafting speeches 	Draft Due lesson 1
6	10-14 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Editing, finalising speech 	Final Due lesson 3
7	17-21 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations 	Presentations begin lesson 1
8	24-28 November	EXAM BLOCK	
School holidays: Saturday November 29 – Monday January 26			