

**What we already know**

- Word classes (noun, proper noun, adjective, verb, adverb, pronoun, modal verbs)
- Sentence types and sentence structures (command, statement, question, exclamation, simple, compound, complex, fragment, embedded clauses)

## Stage 7 English: Grammar

**What's next**

- Utilising grammatical knowledge in all English work

### English Golden Concepts

Reading: Fluency

Reading: Comprehension

Speaking and Listening

Writing Transcription

Writing Composition

### What is grammar?

Grammar is a set of rules that tells how a language works. Every language has its own set of rules. The rules of grammar explain what different kinds of words do and how they work together.

### Key Vocabulary

Preposition	A word used to show the relationship between a noun (or pronoun) and other words in a sentence, often indicating location, direction, time, or manner (e.g., in, on, at, by, for, with).
Determiner	A word that introduces a noun and specifies it as known or unknown, such as articles (a, the), demonstratives (this, that), possessives (my, your), and quantifiers (some, many).
Phrase	A group of words that work together as a unit and act as a single part of speech, but do not form a complete sentence because they lack a subject or verb.
Clause	A group of words that contains a subject and a verb, and may form a complete sentence or part of a sentence

### What grammatical terminology do I need to know?

Word classes: Nouns, verbs, adjective, adverbs, pronouns, prepositions, conjunctions, determiners,  
Subject, object, active and passive voice.  
Phrases and clauses: noun phrases, verb phrases, adverbial phrases, subordinate clauses, and relative clauses.

### What do I need to know about sentence structure?

Types of sentences: simple, compound and complex.  
Using coordinating and subordinating conjunctions to link clauses.  
Using relative clauses to add detail or description (who, which, where, when, whose, that)

### What do I need to know about verb tenses and forms?

Present, past and future tenses, including progressive and perfect forms.  
Recognising and using modal verbs (e.g. can, could, may, might, shall, should, will would, must)

### What do I need to know about spelling?

Spelling rules and patterns, including those for adding suffixes and prefixes  
Common homophones and other words that are often confused.  
Silent letters in spelling

### What do I need to know about spoken English?

Using standard English in formal and informal contexts.  
Using a range of oral vocabulary and grammar suitable for different situations.

### What do I need to know about punctuation?

Correct use of full stops, commas, question marks and explanation marks, colons, and semi-colons  
Using speech marks for direct speech  
Using apostrophes for possession and contraction

#### Semicolons

Semicolons are used to separate two main clauses that are closely related to each other, but could stand on their own as sentences.



#### Colons

Colons are used at the end of a clause to show an answer, elaboration or explanation follows.

I would like the following:  
milk, cheese and butter.



I have two hobbies:  
reading and running.

