



**Subject: self taught language**

**Year/course IB standard**

**Knowledge and Understanding**

Students will be encouraged to appreciate literature either written in or translated into their mother tongue/chosen language and to have an understanding of the techniques involved in literary criticism. They will need to be able to express themselves in their chosen language both in written and oral communication.

**Subject Specific Skills Developed**

Students will be able to comment on the language, content, structure, meaning and significance of both familiar and unfamiliar pieces of writing.

**Transdisciplinary and Generic Skills Developed**

Students will need to develop general skills in analysis, synthesis and drawing of inferences in their chosen language.

**Assessment**

Students will study eleven texts at Standard level, covering a range of genres and authors. Five of the texts will be chosen from the IB World Literature booklist and the remaining six from the IB booklist for the student's chosen language. All assessment is external and comprises two oral examinations [30%], two written examinations [50%] and written coursework [20%].

**Challenge for all**

A key part of this course is the necessity of independent learning. Taking the self taught A1 course not only demonstrates that the student has remained literate in the mother tongue while studying all other subjects in English but also shows a high degree of maturity and personal organization and leads to a bilingual Diploma.