

# TURKISH A LEVEL EDEXCEL



## Subject Overview

This course is ideal for students who...

- have an interest in developing fluency and understanding in one of those languages
- well beyond GCSE standards.
- enjoy using the language to express their opinions and justifying their comments
- on a broad range of social issues.
- enjoy reading and writing in a foreign language and learning about other cultures.
- wish to carry out research into other countries and their history, geography, society and the arts.



Exam board: Edexcel

Duration of course: Two years

## Subject Information

*What units/topics will be studied?*

### **Independent research:**

Must be based on one of the four research subjects listed in the specification:

- Education opportunities in Turkey
- Change in traditional celebrations
- Tourism in Turkey
- Immigrants in Turkey since 2015 Students must research all three aspects of their chosen research subject

### **Prescribed list of films:**

- İftarlık Gazoz, director Yüksel Aksu (2016)
- Çınar Ağacı, director Handan İpekçi (2011)
- Dedemin İnsanları, director Çağan Irmak (2011) Students are expected to produce responses that relate to features such as:
  - form and technique
  - key themes, concepts and issues
  - characterisation
  - plot structure
  - social and cultural setting

### **Literary works:**

Prescribed list of works:

- Üç Anadolu Efsanesi, Yaşar Kemal, 1967 (short stories)
- Veda, Ayşe Kulin, 2008 (novel)
- Sessiz Ev, Orhan Pamuk, 1983

Theme 1	Theme 2
Changes in Turkish society Family and relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The world of work</li> <li>• Research subject: Education opportunities in Turkey</li> </ul>	Art and culture in Turkey and Cyprus Modern culture and media <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Traditional art culture</li> <li>• Research subject: Change in traditional celebrations</li> </ul>

Theme 3	Theme 4
Perspectives on Turkey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Human geography</li> <li>• Environment</li> <li>• Research subject: Tourism in Turkey</li> </ul>	Political issues in Turkey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Atatürk's revolutions in Turkey</li> <li>• Political scene</li> <li>• Research subject: Immigrants in Turkey since 2015</li> </ul>

### **What do I need to study this subject?**

In order to study this subject, you must have achieved at least B at GCSE level. If you do not have a GCSE but speak the language at home, you will need to complete a simple speaking and written task to help us assess your suitability for the course.

### **What can I do to prepare myself to study this subject?**

- Sound knowledge of all GCSE topic-related vocabulary and grammar will be essential, especially good understanding and awareness of all verb conjugations. A good GCSE revision handbook or textbook will be helpful.
- An interest in watching films and programmes and reading newspapers in the language of study is highly recommended to increase understanding.

### **Where can this lead me?**

This course may be taken as a self-contained a full A level (two years) leading to a University degree as a main course of study or as an additional component in combination with other disciplines. Languages are highly versatile and complement most subjects.

### **What are the enrichment opportunities as part of this subject?**

The college organises yearly trips to France and Spain as well as film screenings in London cinemas and various trips to museums, language-related exhibitions and places of interest.

Entry Requirements In order to study this subject, you must have achieved at least C at GCSE level.