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Unit 1
The focus of this unit is the reading of a range of texts, with comprehension, enjoyment and discrimination, development of competence and confidence in writing, and the use of response to oral language in different contexts.

Unit 2
The focus of this unit is on a variety of forms of response to texts, experimentation with different written forms, and the use of oral language to interact positively, critically and confidently with audiences in formal and informal settings.
English Literature 1-2

- **Unit 1: Readers and their responses**
  - focus on the ways literary texts represent human experience
  - develop a critical and creative response to the text
  - analyse the construction of non-print texts as an interpretation of ideas & experiences

- **Unit 2: The text, the reader and their contexts**
  - explore the social & cultural contexts of the texts
  - evaluate aspects of society ideas and behaviour which the text appears to question or endorse
  - explore and comment on the literary features particular to texts
  - make appropriate reference to textual detail to support a comparative interpretation.
The nature language in human thought and communication.

Unit 1: Language and Communication
- the nature and functions of language itself and the way language is organised
- the nature of language as a highly elaborate system of signs,
- the development of language in an individual, and
- the relationship between speech and writing as the dominant modes of use.

Unit 2: Language change
- The evolution of language in the past and today.
- phonetics and phonology, morphology and lexicology, syntax, discourse analysis, and semantics
- attitudes to language change.