

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

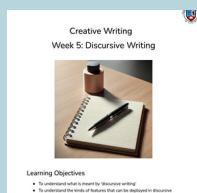


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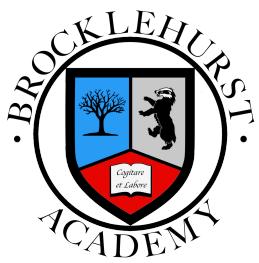
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WHO WE ARE

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I'm **Dr Daniel Brocklehurst**, Founder and Director of Brocklehurst Academy. I'm passionate about delivering the highest quality English education to students aged 11–18.

The origins of Brocklehurst Academy began in 2017. Having already taught in secondary schools in Oxfordshire, UK, and Bhutan, my vision was to create the leading English tutoring service in New South Wales, built on academic excellence, integrity, and genuine care for students. Since then, we've grown into a trusted team of experienced tutors.

What sets us apart? First and foremost, we specialise exclusively in English — no other subjects — which is a deliberate choice. Second, we hire **only highly qualified and experienced tutors**. Many hold PhDs, master's degrees, or qualifications from prestigious universities such as Oxford and Cambridge, alongside substantial teaching experience. We also prioritise ongoing training and support to ensure our team delivers personalised, exceptional education tailored to each student's needs.

We offer both **small-group classes** and **one-to-one tuition** because we know that personalised attention is essential for student success. And while many of our students achieve exceptional results — including **ATARs of 99.95** — we're **equally committed to supporting those who are struggling**. We don't believe in taking credit for already high-performing students; we believe in **lifting students at every level**.

More than just chasing grades, we're passionate about **instilling a genuine love for English literature and language**. We encourage regular reading, reflective writing, and thoughtful discussion. Yes, we care about results — but English isn't a subject that can be hacked or crammed. Real growth takes time, structure, and support. That's why we don't offer gimmicks or quick fixes, or that unrealistic promise, 'guaranteed results'. If you're seeking an overnight leap from a D to an A, we're not the right fit. But if you're after **steady, lasting progress** — supported by qualified, passionate tutors who genuinely care about your child's development — then you've found the right place.

Our resources are designed for depth, clarity, and results over the long term. I've personally developed the complete syllabus for Years 7–9, along with a suite of **advanced resources for the HSC**. Now, with a growing team of outstanding tutors, we're fulfilling our mission: to use our expertise, passion, and dedication to offer the very highest level of English education for students across NSW.

At Brocklehurst Academy, we're committed to excellence. We're excited to support your child's educational journey — and we look forward to welcoming you into our community.

WHAT WE OFFER



We offer outstanding English tuition for years 7 to 12 in New South Wales, Australia.

There are three options at Brocklehurst Academy:

- 1. Private tuition:** weekly in-person and online one-to-one English tuition for years 7–12.
- 2. Group class:** weekly in-person and online English classes for years 7–9.
- 3. The Scholar's Programme for years 7–9:** combining weekly classes and weekly one-to-one tuition.

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PRIVATE ENGLISH TUITION

We offer **weekly, one-to-one in person and online tuition** tailored for students in **years 7–12**.

Our English tutors are carefully selected based on **exceptional academic qualifications** and **extensive teaching experience**, ensuring you receive the highest quality instruction. Many hold **advanced degrees in English** from **prestigious universities**, including Oxford and Cambridge and other renowned institutions.

With a dedicated team of expert educators, we tailor our approach to meet **each student's unique learning needs and goals**, providing **personalised support** that fosters **deep understanding** and **lasting progress**.



Your tutor will help you strengthen your English skills, including vocabulary, grammar, reading, and writing.

For Years 11 and 12, your tutor will provide expert guidance on your exam texts, equipping you with the tools to excel and reach your full potential.

TUTOR TIERS

One-on-one in-person or online English tuition for years 7 to 12



Gold tutor

- Highly qualified tutors with strong academic backgrounds (often holding a Master's or PhD).
- Extensive tutoring experience and a demonstrated ability to improve students' English skills and academic performance.
- Years 7–10: \$120ph
- Years 11–12: \$130ph



Platinum tutor

- Tutors with advanced degrees (Master's or PhD) from leading universities.
- Exceptional tutoring or teaching experience and a consistent record of outstanding student results.
- Years 7–10: \$150ph
- Years 11–12: \$160ph

All prices include GST and any credit card transaction fees.

2 WEEKLY ENGLISH CLASSES

Our **in-person** and **online English classes** are carefully designed to accelerate students' English skills and knowledge in **years 7 to 9**.

What you get:

- ✓ 2-hour weekly in-person and online class
- ✓ Runs during NSW terms
- ✓ Class size: 5 – 10
- ✓ Online/printed booklets
- ✓ Weekly homework
- ✓ Detailed feedback for homework tasks
- ✓ Support with students' reading via Reading Records
- ✓ End-of-unit tests with detailed feedback
- ✓ Weekly feedback to parents via WeChat Group

For details of each term's content, see our website.

Expert Teachers

Carefully crafted learning content

TC7 - Creative Writing - Week 7: Writing in Timed Conditions

Have AT LEAST ONE prewritten piece for each genre – imaginative, discursive, persuasive – preferably TWO very different pieces for each form.

Working very intensely on a masterpiece will force you to perfect a piece of writing. It will enable you to see what you are truly capable of when you revise and improve your draft again and again. Essentially, it will offer you a model by which you can judge the standard of other pieces of writing that you produce.

Even if you are not able to use this perfected piece of writing in the exam, you may still be able to recycle certain linguistic and structural features that you've used. Develop a really cool metaphor? Maybe you can still use this in a new piece of writing on the day of the exam – just reworked slightly. This goes even

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STEP 1

STEP 2

ACTIVITY 1

Complication: Division Be...

Using Past Paper Question...

1. HSC 2019 Advanced

2. HSC 2020 Advanced

3. HSC 2021 Advanced

4. HSC 2022 Advanced

5. HSC 2023 Advanced

6. HSC 2024 Advanced

Discussion

ACTIVITY 2

Analyzing a Student's 'Ba...

Echoes

STEP 2

Practise writing on the spot and coming up with completely different pieces of writing each time – build the strengths of spontaneous writing

I regretted killing the spider. This time, the thought of hundreds of baby spiders crawling around me didn't comfort me. The spider hadn't done anything to deserve to be killed. In fact, it did the opposite. It killed the disgusting cockroaches in my home, and all it asked for was not to be killed and to die peacefully. It trusted me, and I let it down. No... I didn't let it down, I killed it. I betrayed it. I stabbed it in the back. It seemed... that I had turned into the cunning, deceitful creatures that inhabited my home. As it turned out, I had more in common with cockroaches than I thought I did. A lot more.

In the end, I killed the only thing that was helping me kill the cockroaches that invaded my home. The cockroaches were probably celebrating the death of their predator at that moment right now. It was only through their cunning ways that they got to live, though they deserved death a lot more than spiders.

I deserve death more than the spider, and yet I am not dead.

Somehow, the world has turned into a twisted game. It has turned into an ugly, dishonest game of survival. You have to be cunning and sly to win. If you don't catch up in time, you will lose – cease to exist, even. How... is this the world that we were told – as children – to be full of opportunities and kindness? That version of the world might have been sunshine and rainbows, but in this version, we have to fight for survival, and the people with the best tactics win.

This is a subtle and thought-provoking narrative. Such an interesting concept: a metaphor for how we seem to be disposed to violent acts, which we indulge in

Daniel Brocklehurst 1:37 PM Nov 1 Replace: "scurry" with "scurried"

Daniel Brocklehurst 1:39 PM Nov 1 Don't you mean "spiders not crawling"? Or something like that?

Daniel Brocklehurst 1:40 PM Nov 1 Replace: "inhabit" with "inhabited"

Daniel Brocklehurst 1:41 PM Nov 1 Replace: "are" with "were"

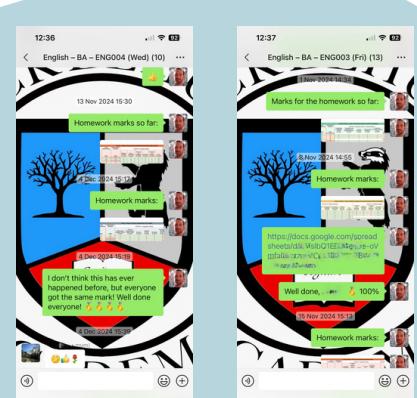
Daniel Brocklehurst 1:41 PM Nov 1 Replace: "right now" with "at that moment"

Daniel Brocklehurst 1:41 PM Nov 1 Replace: "is" with "was"

Daniel Brocklehurst 1:41 PM Nov 1 Replace: "so far" with "so far"

Detailed feedback for weekly homework tasks

Weekly grades shared to parents via WeChat



ENG003 – Stage 2 – Term 4 – 2024 – Creative Writing – Student Records

| Students | | Creative Writing – Week 1: Introduction to Creative Writing (Friday 18/10/2024) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|---------|---|-------|------------|------|-------------------|---------------------|---|---|--|------------------|----------------------------|------------------|---|------|
| ID No. | Student | Reading Records | | Attendance | Docs | CLASS PERFORMANCE | INDEPENDENT READING | ACTIVITY 4: Presentation on Effective Prose Extract | | | ACTIVITY 5 | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | 1. Fluency, Pace, and Articulation (10 Marks) | 2. Level of Insight into the Prose Extract (10 Marks) | 3. Visual Quality of the Presentation (10 Marks) | TOTAL (30 marks) | Vocabulary Quiz (13 marks) | TOTAL (43 marks) | % | Rank |
| 81 Jessica Hay | 81_RR | PRESENT | 81_W1 | 35 | 80 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 5 | 23 | 53% | 6 | | |
| 83 Laura Eddison | 83_RR | PRESENT | 83_W1 | 45 | 100 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 26 | 13 | 39 | 91% | 3 | | |
| 87 Sarah Xi | 87_RR | PRESENT | 87_W1 | 10 | 100 | 7 | 10 | 8 | 25 | 13 | 38 | 88% | 4 | | |
| 91 Poppy Lee | 91_RR | ABSENT | 91_W1 | 20 | 70 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 27 | 13 | 40 | 93% | 2 | | |
| 92 Mindy Wang | 92_RR | PRESENT | 92_W1 | 30 | 40 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 19 | 11 | 30 | 70% | 5 | | |
| 93 Jonathan Smith | 93_RR | PRESENT | 93_W1 | 30 | 70 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 28 | 13 | 41 | 95% | 1 | | |

ENGLISH CLASS POLICIES

Times

- Termly classes run according to the New South Wales (Australia) school terms.
- Class times are fixed and agreed upon before the commencement of each term.
- Each term consists of ten lessons.
- Each lesson is 2 hours long.
- Students will be given a 5-minute break midway through the lesson.

Teacher

- The class teacher will be arranged before the commencement of the term to teach all ten lessons. However, Brocklehurst Academy may use a different teacher in rare circumstances (for example, if the original teacher is ill).

Lesson Format

- Lessons are **hybrid**: they will be conducted **in-person at our centre in Burwood** AND via **Zoom** and **Google docs**.
- Each student will receive their individual printed booklet or Google doc with all learning materials prior to the start of each lesson.
- If students are attending online, students are required to have their camera working throughout the lesson. This is to ensure they are participating in the lesson.
- Online students must use the 'hand up' function for permission to speak in the lesson. Interruptions are not permitted.
- Lessons will be automatically recorded so that they can be sent to any absent students (see below).
- Video recordings of lessons will be deleted after thirty days.

ENGLISH CLASS POLICIES

Homework

- Homework is set at the end of each lesson. Homework tasks will ordinarily require 30 minutes to 1 hour to complete.
- Homework must be completed in the student's Google doc, which the teacher can access. Homework should not be emailed to the teacher.
- Homework must be completed 48 hours prior to the next lesson to allow time for the teacher to properly mark it and provide detailed feedback.
- Students should pay careful attention to the feedback and act upon any advice given.

Equipment

Students attending online will need the following:

- A laptop or tablet that can use the software detailed below.
- A working Zoom account.
- A Gmail address so that they can use Google docs during the lessons and for homework tasks.
- If in China, a working VPN so that they can use Google docs.

Absences

- You cannot reschedule or cancel a lesson. If absent, the student will be sent a video recording (mp4) and be expected to complete the classwork and homework for that lesson.
- The teacher will provide feedback for homework as normal.

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THE SCHOLAR'S PROGRAMME

We also offer a programme for years 7–9 that combines one-to-one weekly tuition and the weekly class outlined above: the **Scholar's Programme**.

What's included:

-  **Weekly online class (2 hours)** with expert instruction, carefully-crafted learning resources, and homework feedback.
-  **Weekly private tuition (1 hour) with a Platinum Tutor** tailored to the student's needs — whether it's building on the class content or supporting schoolwork and assessment tasks.

That's **3 hours of live teaching each week, plus targeted feedback** — ideal for ambitious students seeking steady growth, confidence, and high achievement.

4 PRICING & PAYMENT

Private tuition

For private tuition, see page 6 for pricing.

Students are expected to attend weekly sessions with their private tutor during term time. If you cannot attend a session, you must arrange an alternative time with your tutor in that same week.

Prepay

As of 2026, we **only accept prepaid bulk payments**:

- Families prepay for 10 private lessons at a time before the commencement of a school term.
- Lessons may be 1 hour, 1.5 hours, or 2 hours.
- The agreed weekly time is reserved exclusively for you. This system ensures consistency, fairness, and availability for all students.

Rescheduling and Cancellations

We understand that occasionally lessons need to be changed.

- At least 24 hours' notice is required to cancel or reschedule a lesson.
- If you cannot reschedule a cancelled lesson with valid notice, a lesson credit is created.
- Credits:
 - Are not refunded as cash.
 - Can be used to reduce the next term's payment.
 - A **maximum of two credits** may be carried forward.
- Lessons cancelled without 24 hours' notice are charged in full, as the time has already been reserved.

PRICING & PAYMENT

English Classes

For English group classes, in person or online, **each lesson is \$110** (\$55 per hour)

Only the **Prepay** option is available for online classes. Bulk payment for 10 lessons (**\$1,100**) is due before the first lesson of the term.

If a student misses a lesson, **the missed lesson cannot be used as a credit for future lessons**. Students will be emailed a video recording of the lesson (see page 9) and will be expected to complete all work and homework for marking.

Trial Option for New Students

For English group classes, new students can opt for **introductory trial lessons**. This option allows you to pay for only **2 lessons (\$220)**, after which you do not have to continue with the class. Payments must be received before the first lesson.

Scholar's Programme

For the Scholar's Programme, each week is **\$210** — that's for both the 2-hour weekly class and 1-hour weekly private session with a Platinum tutor (see page 11).

Only the **Prepay** option is available for the Scholar's Programme. Bulk payment for 10 weeks (**\$2,200**) is due before the first lesson of the term.

New students can opt for the **trial option**: you pay for only **2 weeks (\$420)**, after which you do not have to continue with the programme. Payments must be received before the first lesson.

MAKING PAYMENT

All lesson records, invoices and payment receipts are stored in your **Tutorbird** account.

We accept payment via **bank transfer** or **debit/credit card** for all three options (private, group classes, Scholar's Programme).

Bank Transfer

You can pay via bank transfer and avoid the debit/credit card transaction fees.

Our bank details:

Account name: Brocklehurst Academy
Account: 1735 1169
BSB: 067-873

Automatic Payment via debit/credit card

All debit/credit card payments incur a 0.5% transaction fee.

When you sign up for tutoring with us, you can choose to provide your card details in our Portal which will be stored on our secure payment platform. With this billing system, you don't have to worry about making payments — it's 100% automated each term.

All card details are deleted from our system once tutoring has ceased.

5 RESCHEDULING & CANCELLATIONS

Private Tuition

We understand that occasionally lessons need to be changed.

To reschedule or cancel a private session, contact your tutor directly at least **24 hours PRIOR** to the session. If you reschedule or cancel a session with less than 24 hours notice without an acceptable reason, **you will be charged the full cost of the tutoring session.**

Examples of acceptable reasons for timely cancellation or rescheduling:

- Illness; transport issues; holidays; family emergency.

Examples of unacceptable reasons for cancelling weekly lessons:

- “I don’t feel like it.”
- “I just don’t need help with English right now.”

When you sign up for one-on-one tuition, you are agreeing to have **weekly sessions during term time**. This is to ensure that you are making consistent progress. English is a challenging subject that requires regular work.

RESCHEDULING & CANCELLATIONS

Private Tuition

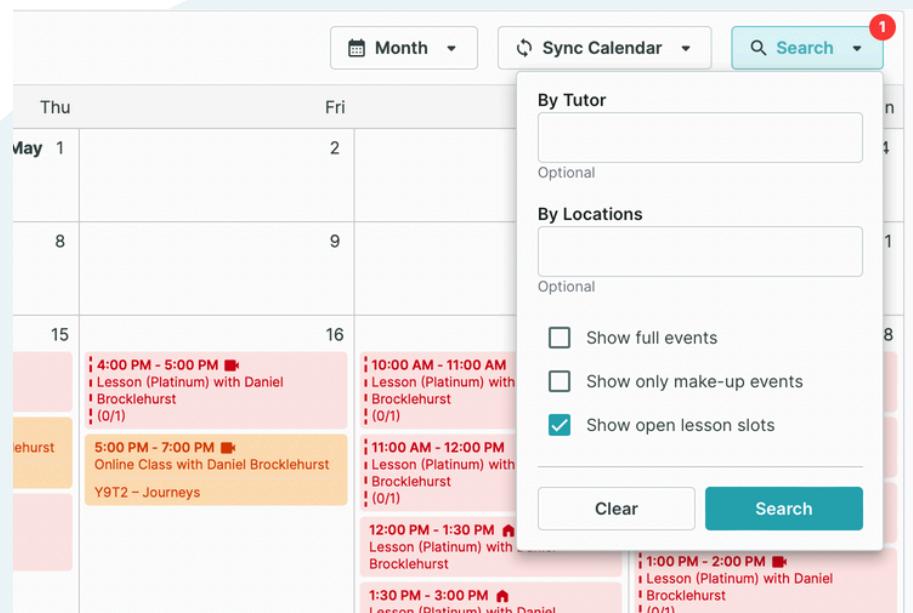
Lesson Credits

- If you cannot reschedule a cancelled lesson, or your tutor is unavailable for an alternative time, a lesson credit will be issued.
- Credits:
 - Are not refunded as cash.
 - Can be used to reduce the next term's payment.
 - A maximum of two credits may be carried forward.
- Lessons cancelled without 24 hours' notice are charged in full, as the time has already been reserved.

To reschedule a private session, **contact your tutor to arrange another time.**

You can also **log in to the portal via our website**. In the Calendar, you can cancel your session and then book another session from the tutor's available slots.

Be sure that you click on 'Search' and then click 'Show open lesson slots'.



The screenshot shows a calendar interface for scheduling lessons. The main area displays a grid for the month of May, with days from 1 to 31. Specific time slots are highlighted in pink, indicating booked lessons. For example, on May 15, there is a lesson from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. On May 16, there are lessons from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM and from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM. On May 17, there is a lesson from 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM. On May 18, there is a lesson from 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM. On May 19, there is a lesson from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM.

On the right side of the interface, there are several search and filter options:

- By Tutor:** A text input field with the placeholder "Optional".
- By Locations:** A text input field with the placeholder "Optional".
- Search:** A button with a magnifying glass icon.
- Sync Calendar:** A button with a calendar icon.
- Month:** A button with a calendar icon.
- Filter Options:** A group of checkboxes:
 - Show full events
 - Show only make-up events
 - Show open lesson slots
- Clear:** A button to clear the search filters.
- Search:** A large blue button to execute the search.

TRIAL LESSONS

TRIAL LESSONS FOR PRIVATE TUITION

For your first private session, you can opt for a trial lesson. After this lesson, there is no commitment to continue tutoring with us.

The trial lesson is not free. It is charged at the normal rate (see page 6).

No discounts are given for a trial lesson for private tuition – unless agreed upon with the director of Brocklehurst Academy.

TRIAL LESSONS FOR YEARS 7–9 GROUP CLASSES

For years 7–9 English group classes, new students can opt for introductory trial lessons. This option allows you to pay for only 2 lessons (\$220), after which you do not have to continue with the class. Payments must be received before the first lesson.

TRIAL LESSONS FOR THE SCHOLAR'S PROGRAMME

For the Scholar's Programme, new students can opt for the trial option: you pay for only 2 weeks (\$420), after which you do not have to continue with the programme. Payments must be received before the first lesson.

FAQS

1. Are there contracts?

No, but once you have paid for 10 weeks of tuition with us, the fee is non-refundable. For private tuition, two lesson credits can be transferred to the following term's payment.

2. Why do you only accept weekly students for private tuition?

Weekly tutoring ensures you get the greatest benefit from our tutors. We believe that casual, irregular sessions don't allow us to provide the level of support or achieve the results our students deserve. We're committed to your success and value working with equally dedicated students!

3. Can we arrange small-group private sessions?

Absolutely. Contact us to discuss availability and price.

4. Can I opt for PAYG (Pay as You Go)?

We no longer offer this option as it took up too much administrative time and effort. We now only accept payment in bulk per term.

5. How do I access resources?

For private tuition and English classes, your tutor will provide you with your own Google Drive folder and place all resources in there. For in-person classes, you will also be given printed resources. You will need a working Gmail account to effectively use these resources (e.g. Google Docs etc).

6. Can I pay by cash?

Unfortunately, no. We only accept credit/debit card and bank transfer. Bank transfer does not incur any transaction costs.

7. Are there transaction fees for debit/credit cards?

Yes, debit/credit cards are charged 0.5% transaction fees. To avoid these, please pay by bank transfer.

8. Can I change tutors?

Should you wish to switch tutors for any reason, we're happy to arrange that for you. Simply reach out to us directly at english@brocklehurstacademy.com.

FAQS

9. Can I be placed on a waiting list if my desired tutor is not available for private tuition?

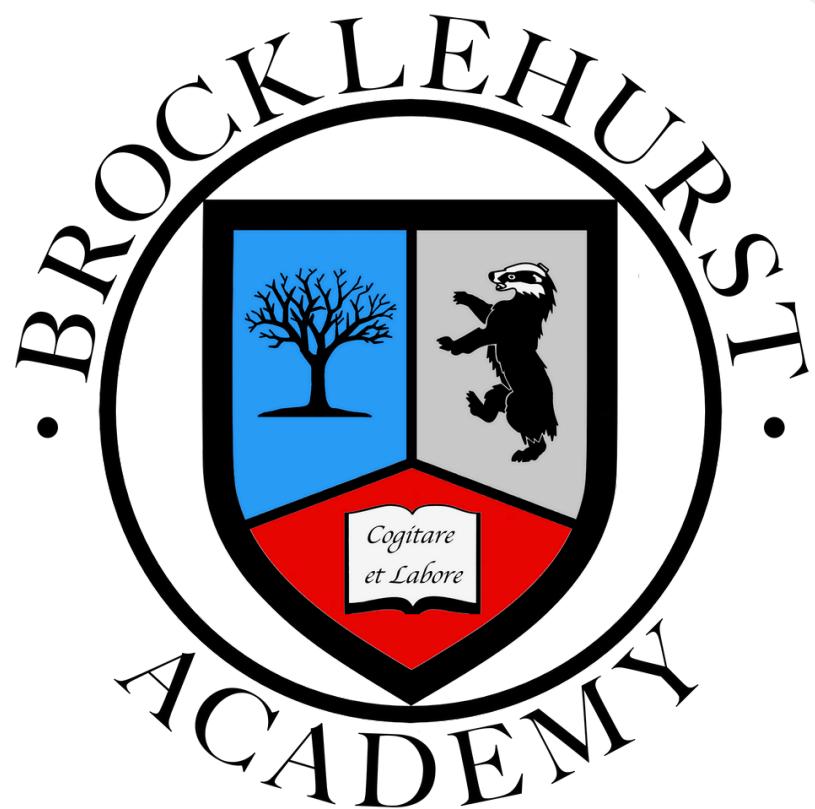
Yes, you can. We can place you on a waiting list and we will notify you when there is availability. However, it may take some time (many weeks or months) for a space to become available.

10. What happens if I find that there has been no improvement in a student's school assessments for English?

While we confidently guarantee the highest quality English tuition, we cannot promise instant improvements in school assessment marks. English is a complex and nuanced subject that takes time, practice, and persistence to master. Expecting dramatic results after just a few sessions is unrealistic — and often counterproductive.

We encourage parents and students to view English tutoring as a long-term investment. Steady, meaningful progress happens over time, and there are many factors that can influence school results — including a student having an off day, misreading a question, illness, or even internal school marking practices designed to standardise results for ATAR scaling.

If you're seeking a quick fix, we're not the right fit for you. But if you value long-term growth, deep understanding, and genuine educational support, we'd be delighted to work with you.



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