**VCE Unit 1 English Language**

**Time Allocation**
This unit of work will consist of approximately 100 hours of which at least 50 hours will be class time. To complete this unit of work satisfactorily, students must complete each of the following learning outcomes.

**Learning Outcomes**

**Outcome 1**
The student should be able to discuss and analyse the *Nature and Functions of Language*, and explore the way they represent culture, knowledge, and relationships.

**Outcome 2**
The student should be able to discuss and explore *Language Acquisition* processes and theories.

**Assessment Tasks**

1. **Nature of Language Test**
The student is required to sit a test featuring short answer questions about the nature of language.

   **Weighting:** This task is worth 25% of the overall grade  
   **Time allocated to task:** 1 period  
   **Due:** Term 1, Week 5

2. **Functions of Language Test**
The student is required to sit a test featuring short answer questions and an extended response about the nature of language.

   **Weighting:** This task is worth 25% of the overall grade  
   **Time allocated to task:** 1 period  
   **Due:** Term 1, Week 9

3. **Oral Presentation – Child Language Acquisition**
The student is required to present an analysis about a child’s process of language learning.

   **Weighting:** This task is worth 20% of the overall grade  
   **Time allocated to task:** 1 period  
   **Due:** Term 2, Week 5

4. **Semester Examination**
The student is required to apply knowledge and understanding of child language acquisition by responding to short answer questions, and writing an essay.

   **Weighting:** This task is worth 30% of the overall grade  
   **Time allocated to task:** 90 minutes  
   **Due:** Term 2, Week 9