

Option Internationale du Baccalauréat

2de Presentation



Background Information

- Two subjects taught in English
- British and American options
- University admissions
- English replaces LV1
- HG shared with French HG
- Written and oral examination

OIB English

	American	British
Shakespeare	Yes	Yes
Genre	Poetry, Prose, Drama and Non-Fiction	Poetry, Prose and Drama
Cultural Focus	American and world literature	Mostly British literature
No. of Texts	10 in total (written and oral)	2 for written and 4 for the oral
Written Examination	2 essays	3 essays
Critical Appreciation	Optional	Compulsory
Creative Writing	No	No
Oral Examination	Commentary on a passage from one of the core texts + discussion of all set texts	Commentary on a passage from Shakespeare + discussion of the synoptic topic
Analysis	In depth analysis of 3 core texts and a more general approach to the others.	In depth analysis of 2 texts for the written exam and the Shakespeare play. A more general approach to the synoptic topic
Pace	Tends to be faster as there are more books to get through	Tends to be more steady as there are fewer books to get through.

Choosing UK or US

- Cultural identity – a cultural affinity with one option or the other but a British student can do the American option and vice versa!!
- Independent reading – there's more reading to do at home with the American option but that doesn't mean that there's less work to do at home in the British option!
- Pace – The British option spends more time on each text. Some students like this whereas others may find it frustrating to spend so much time on one book!! Some like the faster turnaround of texts in The American option whereas others find that it's too fast!

OIB History and Geography

Background Information

The OIB programme for 1^{ère} and Terminale is established by the French Ministry of Education and is divided between the French and the Anglophone section H/G teachers.

Both UK and US options follow the French HG programme - mid 19th century up to the 21st century in history and topics in geography.

The Programme

- **There are no major differences in Premiere**
- **In Terminale, part of the course is on US history in the American Option and part on British history in the UK Option.**

The Reform of the Baccalauréate

Bac Reform - what we know!

- **For both LL and HG, there will be a written and an oral exam. (not continuous assessment/multiple tests)**
- **Coefficients: LL = 15/120 HG = 15/120**
=> OIB = 25% of the Bac exam