Spelling list: GCSE English Language: Language Features 2

Key words for GCSE English Language.

nonfiction Nonfiction texts focus on real events.

attitude Your **attitude** towards something is how you think or feel about it.

colloquial Colloquial speech means conversational informal speech.

speech Colloquial **speech** means conversational informal **speech**.

dialect Dialect is a form of language particular to a specific region or group.

accent An **accent** is a distinctive way of pronouncing a language.

Didactic literature aims to teach the reader about a particular thought or

idea.

didactic

expository If something is **expository**, it means it is descriptive or explanatory.

fallacy A **fallacy** is a belief based on false information.

figurative Figurative language has a symbolic meaning as well as a literal meaning.

language Figurative **language** has a symbolic meaning as well as a literal meaning.

mood **Mood** is the atmosphere created by the text.

ethos **Ethos** is the characteristic spirit of a group.

pathos **Pathos** appeals to the emotions of pity and sadness.

demonstrate To **demonstrate** is to show and explain how something is done.

examine To **examine** something is to inspect it in detail.

If you are **perceptive**, it means you have a sensitive understanding of

something.

perceptive

reason A **reason** is an explanation or justification for an action or event.

justify If you **justify** something, it means you explain why it was the right thing.