ENGLISH -1	ENGLISH -2	ENGLISH -3
How many and what are the stages of the evolution of English?	How many dialects were there in Old English?	What languages have influenced English?
 Old English (449-1066) Middle English (1066-1500) Modern English: Early Modern E. (1500-1700) Modern E. (1700-present) 	4: Northumbrian Mercian Kentish West Saxon	 Celtic (substratum) Latin + French (romance aspect) Anglo-Saxon (Germanic + . Scandinavian aspect)
ENGLISH -4	ENGLISH -5	ENGLISH - 6
1. When were cases and inflections	Why has English become and	What period is Old English?
used?	international language?	2. What are the main features of
2. What replaced them?		Old English?
In Old English: Nominative	 Simplicity of grammar rules Functional shift (change in the function of the same word: rain, riancoat, to rain) England role in colonian expansion 	 Old E.= Anglo-Saxon: 449-1100 * Inflections * Cases: nouns + adjs * Infinitives in an * Pronunciation-spelling different form modern E. Runic alphabet
ENGLISH - 7	ENGLISH - 8	
1. What period is Middle English?	1. What period is Modern E.?	
2. What its main features?	2. What are its main features?	
 1. 1100-1500 2.* Mercian-Midland dialect stress on the 1st syll. + final vowels → e=∂ inflections replaced by prepositions Natural genres Plurals in (e)s, infinitives with to French words 	 Early Modern 1500-1700: Final e became silent Language more uniform New learned Latin + Greek words Modern 1700 onwards Technological + cosmopolitan lang. (ind. Revolution + colonies) Simple: functional shift + simple grammar 	