

Courses and Examinations - Parents' Information Sheet

The following document has been collated to ensure that parents and carers would be able to understand their child's various courses, along with the requirements that each examination makes. Each school subject explains:

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Art

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: AQA GCSE
- Course requirements: 60% Coursework, 40% Exam
- Exam dates: March 2021
- Marks per AO criteria:
 - Coursework: 24 marks for each of the 4 criteria, 96 marks in total
 - Exam: 24 marks for each of the 4 criteria, 96 marks in total
- The actual score for Art, Art Craft & Design & Photography will be determined by a 60/40 split between the coursework and exam.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- There will be no exam for students being entered for 2021/22
- 100% of the marks will be awarded based on portfolio (coursework) submission
- The final deadline for all coursework will be given in February.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- There are no mock exams for any of the art disciplines. All students will continue/improve on their coursework throughout the allocated time to get as many marks as possible within the time frame.

Revision Resources

Useful internet sites

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● www.npg.org.uk (National Portrait Gallery, London) ● www.tate.org.uk/modern/ (The Tate Modern Art Gallery, London) ● en.wikipedia.org ● www.allposters.co.uk ● www.yssp.co.uk (Yorkshire Sculpture Park) ● www.tate.org.uk (Tate Art Gallery) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● www.vam.ac.uk (The Victoria & Albert Museum, London) ● www.manchestergalleries.org (Manchester Art Galleries) ● www.bmag.org.uk (Birmingham Art Galleries) ● www.hcandl.co.uk (Access to Ferens Art Gallery information) ● www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/art |
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Exam Techniques

- Working to specific deadlines and meeting those set by their tutor.
- A range of techniques and processes must be shown in all prep work
- Strong observational skills are shown at every stage
- Thoughtful journey throughout sketchbook in a logical way.
- High-quality presentation of work in sketchbooks helps improve the grade.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- Completing all tasks set in lesson time, using 1-2 hours a week to improve complete work.
- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for WAGOLLS and prompts
- After school catch-up: Every Monday (independent study) Option 2 Tuesday evening, Option 3 Thursday evening.

Childcare and Development

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board - Pearson
- Course requirements - two internally assessed components (30% each) and 1 external exam (40%)
- Exam date:
 - Thursday 10th February (am)
- Component 1 - 30%, Component 2 - 30% and Component 3 - 40%

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete the Component 3 exam paper and will receive a total raw score.
- Christmas mock dates are the following:
 - Choice 2 - Wednesday 1st December - 8.45 am
 - Choice 3 - Thursday 9th December - 11 am
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - Google classroom
 - After-school revision/catch-up
 - Exam prep session during lessons

Revision Resources

- Revision guides on Google classroom
- Kelvin Independence - [Kelvin Independence](#)
- Link to specification - [SPECIFICATION](#)

Exam Techniques

- Walking Talking Mocks - Students will be guided through exam questions in exam settings, this acclimatises them to the exam hall and teaches them how to apply their knowledge to exam questions.
- Recall - use of keywords and definitions.
- Revision and catch-up sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Completing past paper exam questions and using mark schemes to identify where marks are gained in the theory exam.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for revision.
- After-school revision/catch-up: Tuesday/Thursday after school, preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.

Creative iMedia

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: OCR Cambridge Nationals - Creative iMedia
- Course requirements:
 - 75% Controlled Assessment
 - 25% Exam
- Exam dates:
 - R081: Pre-production skills - Monday 10th January - PM
- Marks per paper:
 - Creative iMedia: 60 marks

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- All students have received a Teacher Assessed Grade (TAG) for R081: Pre-production skills & R091: Designing a Games Concept
- Unit R087: Creating Interactive Multimedia Products content has been taught but not assessed.
- Unit R082: Creating Digital Graphics left to complete.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete 1 paper and will receive a total raw score and the associated grades.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Wednesday 01/12/2021 - Choice 2 Creative iMedia exam - 1hr 15
 - Thursday 09/12/2021- Choice 3 Creative iMedia exam - 1hr 15
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - After-school revision
 - Google Classroom resources
 - Recommended websites

Revision Resources

- Google Classroom: Complete the assigned knowledge quizzes and use the lesson resources that are uploaded.
- Recommended revision guides: Available from your child's class teacher.
- Youtube: There are brilliant revision videos on YouTube available if your child prefers a 'visual' style of revision.
- Mr Brown's Youtube: This is a Youtube playlist that contains a variety of videos to cover the content required for the OCR Creative iMedia exam. There are 19 videos that total about 2 hours of watching.
[Cambridge Nationals Creative iMedia Exam Playlist \(R081\)](#)

Exam Techniques

- Walking Talking Mocks: Students will be guided through exam questions in exam settings, this acclimatises them to the exam hall and teaches them how to apply their knowledge to exam questions.
- Recall: The use of recall quizzes allows students to learn all of the key content for the exam.
- Revision every Tuesday after school: Preparing students by revisiting content and

application of knowledge.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- Revision guides are available for all Year 11 students.
- Business Ed has all Enterprise and Marketing topics and activities
[Enterprise and Marketing](#)
- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for revision.
- After school revision: Revision every Tuesday after school, preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.

English

Overview of the course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: AQA
- Course requirements: 100% exam-based
- Marks per paper and total:
 - Paper 1 (An Inspector Calls + Power & Conflict Poetry): 60 marks
 - Paper 2 (Macbeth + Unseen Poetry + Unseen Poetry Comparison): 70 marks
 - Total marks: 130 marks
 - The grade awarded for English Literature will be determined by the total score over the two papers.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- English Literature mocks are on the following dates:
 - Paper 1 - Monday 29th November
 - Paper 2 - Monday 6th December
- The students will complete both Paper 1 and Paper 2.
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - Flashcards
 - After-school revision
 - Google Classroom quizzes
 - Class booklets uploaded to Google Classroom
 - Recommended websites

Revision Resources

- Flashcards: Use flashcards to test yourself on the quotations and the analysis of those quotations. Memorise what you need to be able to write about the quotations. Sort the quotations into themes or characters.
- Revisit lessons on Google Classroom to remind yourself how to write essays on the literature texts.
- Massolit website: www.massolit.io
- BBC Bitesize: www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize
- Google Classroom: Use this to catch up or revisit content
- Complete the Google Classroom Knowledge Quizzes once a week. Revisit any questions you get wrong.

Exam Techniques

- In-class preparation.
- Revision every Tuesday after school: Preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.
- Practice your essay writing skills using the What, How, Why structure: What is the writer doing/saying? How does the writer use methods and what is the effect of the methods they have used? Why did the writer do this?
- Class Booklets.
- Revision Guides that would be useful to purchase:
 - CGP GCSE English Literature (www.cgpbooks.co.uk) - An Inspector Calls, Macbeth, Unseen Poetry and Power & Conflict Poetry Text Guides.
- www.massolit.io

➤ www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

Catch-up strategies for Year 11

- Century (century.tech): An online platform that identifies individual students starting points based on assessments, which then directs students to personalised learning pathways
- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for revision
- After school revision: Revision every Tuesday after school, preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge

Enterprise & Marketing

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: OCR Cambridge Nationals: Enterprise and Marketing
- Course requirements:
 - 50% Exam
 - 50% Controlled Assessment
- Exam date:
 - R064 - Enterprise and Marketing Concepts: Wednesday 12th January - AM
- Marks per paper:
 - Enterprise and Marketing: 80 marks

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- All students have received a Teacher Assessed Grade for their first exam attempt
- Unit R065: Design a Business Proposal is complete and to be submitted Jan 2022
- Unit R066: Market and Pitch a business proposal content must be taught but not assessed

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete a paper and will receive a total raw score and the associated grades.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Wednesday - 01/12/2021 - Enterprise and Marketing - 1hr 30mins
 - Thursday - 09/12/2021 - Enterprise and Marketing - 1hr 30mins
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - After-school revision
 - Google Classroom resources
 - Recommended websites

Revision Resources

- Google Classroom: Complete the assigned knowledge quizzes and use the lesson resources that are uploaded
- Recommended revision guides: Available from your child's class teacher or the Library
- Business Ed has all Enterprise and Marketing topics and activities [Enterprise and Marketing](#)
- Youtube: There are brilliant revision videos on YouTube available.
- Miss Chamber ICT: [OCR Cambridge Nationals in Enterprise & Marketing](#)

Exam Techniques

- Walking Talking Mocks: Students will be guided through exam questions in exam settings, this acclimatises them to the exam hall and teaches them how to apply their knowledge to exam questions
- Recall: The use of recall quizzes allows students to learn all of the key content for the exam.
- Revision every Tuesday after school: Preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- Revision guides available for all Year 11 students.
- Business Ed has all Enterprise and Marketing topics and activities
[Enterprise and Marketing](#)
- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for revision.
- After-school revision: Revision every Thursday after school, preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.

Food Preparation

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: AQA
- Course requirements: 50% coursework and practical, 50% theory exam
- Exam dates:
 - Choice 3 - Practical exam - Thursday 27th January 2022
 - Choice 2 - Practical exam - Wednesday 2nd February 2022
 - Theory exam (provisional) - Monday 20th June (pm)
- Theory exam: 1 paper, worth 100 marks, to be confirmed.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete the theory exam paper and will receive a total raw score.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Choice 2 - Wednesday 1st December - 8.45am
 - Choice 3 - Thursday 9th December - 11am
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - Google classroom
 - BBC bitesize
 - After school revision/catch-up
 - Other recommended websites
 - Revision booklet

Revision Resources

- Revision guides which will be posted on Google classroom
- Kelvin Independence: [Kelvin Independence](#)
- AQA GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition Revision Book by Anita Tull - Illuminate publishing ISBN: 9781908682802
- BBC Bitesize: [GCSE Home Economics: Food and Nutrition \(CCEA\)](#)
- British nutrition foundation: <https://www.nutrition.org.uk/>
- Food fact of life website: <https://www.foodafactoflife.org.uk>

Exam Techniques

- Recall: Use of keywords and definitions.
- Revision and catch-up sessions on Tuesday and Thursday.
- Completing past paper exam questions and using mark schemes to identify where marks were gained in the theory exam.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for revision.
- After-school revision/catch-up: Tuesday/Thursday after school, preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.

French

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: Edexcel
- Course requirements: 100% exam-based
- Exam dates:
 - Paper 1 Listening and Paper 3 Reading - Friday 27th May
 - Paper 4 Writing - Thursday 16th June
- Speaking test dates: TBC, likely April 2022
- Marks per paper and total:
 - Paper 1 Listening /50
 - Paper 2 speaking / 70
 - Paper 3 reading /50
 - Paper 4 writing / 60.
 - All skills are equally weighted and the grade awarded will be determined by the total score out of 230.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- Changes to the course for this year:
 - Exam boards will include an extra optional question in the writing assessment to help students to focus on fewer themes in their writing. Further information regarding the topics will be released in February.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- Speaking tests: 15th - 26th November. Students have received individual times for these.
- Listening and Reading: Friday 3rd December
- Writing: Wednesday 15th December
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students utilise the revision resources detailed below.

Revision Resources

- Recommended revision guide and workbook: "Pearson Revise GCSE 9-1 French revision guide and work".
- Flashcards: We recommend that students learn one key verb per week (blue cards) as well as the higher opinions (pink cards). These cards were given to students in September.
- Kelvin Independence: Various French revision resources available.
- Revision resources on Google Classroom.
- Linguascope (Language learning website) www.linguascope.com: Username: kelvinhall password:idiomas21
- BBC Bitesize: [GCSE French - Edexcel](#)

Exam Techniques

- In-Class Progress Checks: Students will be guided through exam style questions, focussing on a different skill each lesson. This teaches them how to apply their knowledge to exam questions.
- Weekly vocab tests: To test students recall of key verbs and structures.
- Revision every Wednesday after school: Preparing students by revisiting content

and application of knowledge.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- Google Classroom: All lessons and homework are uploaded here for students to access for revision. In addition, extra revision resources are posted.
- Revision every Wednesday after school: Preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge

Geography

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: AQA
- Course requirements: 100% exam-based
- Exam dates (provisional):
 - Living with the Physical Environment (1hr 30m) - Monday 23rd May
 - Challenges in the Human Environment (1hr 30m) - Tuesday 7th June
 - Geographical application (1hr) - Tuesday 14th June
- Marks and weighting of each paper:
 - Living with the Physical Environment - 88 marks & 35%
 - Challenges in the Human Environment - mark TBC & 35%
 - Geographical application - 56 marks (for 2022 only) & 30%
- The grade awarded will be determined by the total score, students will receive one overall grade.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- Living with the Physical Environment: No changes.
- Challenges in the Human Environment:
 - Students will answer all of section A (Urban issues).
 - Choose between section B (Changing Economic World) and C (Resource management & Energy).
 - We are still awaiting confirmation on how the marks will be awarded for this paper, but it will be no later than 7th February.
- Geographical applications:
 - Fieldwork is not compulsory for the 2022 exams.
 - Questions about students' individual fieldwork will be removed, lowering the marks of the paper from 76 to 56 marks and reducing the paper to 1 hour long.
 - Students will still be asked questions about the theory behind planning, carrying out, and evaluating a theoretical piece of fieldwork.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete all 3 papers and will receive a total raw score and the associated grades.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Living with the Physical Environment (1hr 30m): As normal.
 - Challenges in the Human Environment (1hr): Only topics: Urban Issues, Resource Management & Energy.
 - Geographical application (1hr): Reflecting the changes above.
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - Wednesday evening revision sessions (3-3:45pm).
 - Google Classroom resources.
 - Recommended websites.

Revision Resources

- BBC Bitesize: [GCSE Geography - AQA](#)
- Google Classroom: Use the lesson resources that are uploaded.
- Oak National Academy: [Geography lessons for Key Stage 4 students - Oak](#)

[National Academy](#)

- Cool Geography: <https://www.coolgeography.co.uk/>

Exam Techniques

- Practice exam questions on Google Classroom and on the AQA past papers website: [GCSE | Geography | Assessment resources](#)
- Mind maps.
- Flashcards.

Health & Social Care

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: Pearson
- Course requirements: Two internally-assessed components (30% each) and 1 external exam (40%).
- Exam date:
 - Wednesday 9th February (am)
- Component 1 - 30%, component 2 - 30% and component 3 - 40%

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete the component 3 exam paper and will receive a total raw score.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Choice 2 - Wednesday 1st December 8.45am
 - Choice 3 - Thursday 9th December 11am
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - Google classroom
 - After-school revision/catch-up
 - Exam prep session during lessons

Revision Resources

- Revision guides on Google classroom.
- Kelvin Independence: [Kelvin Independence](#)
- Link to specification: [Specification - Pearson BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Tech Award in Health and Social Care](#)

Exam Techniques

- Walking Talking Mocks: Students will be guided through exam questions in exam settings, this acclimates them to the exam hall and teaches them how to apply their knowledge to exam questions.
- Recall: Use of keywords and definitions
- Revision and catch-up sessions on Tuesday and Thursday.
- Completing past paper exam questions and using mark schemes to identify where marks are gained in the theory exam.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for revision.
- After-school revision/catch-up: Tuesday/Thursday after school, preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.

History

Overview of the course and exam dates

- Exam board - Edexcel
- Course requirements - 100% exam-based
- Exam dates - Provisional
 - Paper 1: Thematic Study: Medicine in Britain c1250-present and The British Sector of the Western Front, 1914-18 -Thursday 19th May 2022 (am) - 1 hr 15 minutes
 - Paper 2: British Depth Study: Early Elizabethan England 1558-88 - Thursday 16th June 2022 (am) - 55 minutes
 - Paper 3: Modern Depth Study: Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-39 - Thursday, June 9th 2022 (am) - 1 hour 20 minutes
- Marks and weighting of each paper:
 - Paper 1: Thematic Study: Medicine in Britain c1250-present and The British Sector of the Western Front, 1914-18 - 48 marks & 37.5% (for 2022 only)
 - Paper 2: British Depth Study: Early Elizabethan England 1558-88 - 32 marks & 25%.
 - Paper 3: Modern Depth Study: Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-39 - 48 marks (+4 marks SPAG) & 37.5%
 - The grade awarded will be determined by the total score, students will receive one overall grade.

Changes to the course for 2021/22

- **Paper 1: Medicine in Britain c.1250-present and The British Sector of the Western Front, 1914-18:** 4 marks for SPAG have been removed.
- **Paper 2: The American West c1835-c1895** has been removed from Paper 2 for 2022 only. **Early Elizabethan England, 1558-88:** No changes.
- **Paper 3: Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-39:** No changes

Preparation for Christmas mocks

- The students will complete all 3 exam papers and will receive a total raw score and the associated grades.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Paper 1: Medicine in Britain c1250-present and The British Sector of the Western Front 1914-18 - Tuesday 7th December 2021 - 1 hour 15 minutes - No SPAG
 - Paper 2: Early Elizabethan England, 1555-88 - Friday 10th December 2021 - 55 minutes (no American West c1835-c1895).
 - Paper 3: Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-39 - Tuesday 14th December 2021 - 1 hour 20 minutes (as usual)
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources
 - Wednesday evening revision sessions (3-3:45pm)
 - Google Classroom resources
 - Recommended websites
 - Revision guide available to purchase at parents' evening for £2

Revision resources

- BBC bitesize - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zw4bv4j>

- Google Classroom - use lesson and revision resources that are uploaded
- Oak National Academy -
<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage/key-stage-4/subjects/history>
- Edexcel GCSE History -
<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/history-2016.html>

Exam Techniques

- Practice exam questions on Google Classroom
- Complete the flipped learning knowledge question booklets
- Mind maps
- Flashcards

Maths

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: OCR
- Course requirements: 100% exam-based
- Exam dates (provisional):
 - Paper 1 - Friday 20th May (Calculator allowed)
 - Paper 2 - Tuesday 7th June (Calculator not allowed)
 - Paper 3 - Monday 13th June (Calculator allowed)
- 100 marks per paper, totaling 300. The grades are awarded by the total score for all 3 papers.
- Changes to the course for this year are that students are to be given a formula sheet and advanced information on topics that won't appear on the exam. OCR says that schools will provisionally have this information by Tuesday 7th June.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- Students will complete a set of 3 papers and receive their total score from the 3 papers and the associated grade.
 - Paper 1 Mock: Tuesday 30th November (Calculator allowed)
 - Paper 2 Mock: Thursday 2nd December (Calculator not allowed)
 - Paper 3 Mock: Thursday 9th December (Calculator allowed)
- Revision topics to be identified from previous exam data and delivered in lessons.

Revision Resources

- Flashcards: The school will provide each Y11 student with a set of maths revision flashcards to aid revision.
- [Dr Frost](#): Online platform. Students have their own individual login. The website has past paper exam questions and model solutions that students can easily access.
- OnMaths: Website where students can complete online practice papers and receive a percentage score. No login is required.
- Corbett Maths: Excellent website that has videos explaining all the topics. No login is required.
- Homework: Set weekly by the classroom teachers on drfrostmaths.com.
- Seneca Learning: [Seneca](#)
- Revision Sessions: These are held every Thursday after school. They are taught sessions on regularly seen exam topics.
- Half-term and Saturday sessions will be held nearer the exam period.

Exam Techniques

- Walking Talking Mock Lessons: This is when students are talked through an exam paper in exam conditions. Giving students an opportunity to apply their knowledge, understand where marks are given, and practice exam skills.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- [Century](#): An online platform that assesses individual students' strengths and weaknesses that then directs students to personalised learning pathways.
- Google Classroom: All lesson resources are uploaded here. Students can use this for revision purposes.

- **Revision Sessions:** These are held every Thursday after school. They are taught sessions on regularly seen exam topics.

Music

BTEC Music - First Award
Overview of the Course and exam dates
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Exam board: Pearson Edexcel ➤ Course requirements: 25% Unit 1 External exam, 75% coursework (3 Units) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Unit 1: The Music Industry – overview and roles – including interviewing people who are actively involved in the music industry. ○ Unit 2: Managing a Music Product – putting on a live performance or creating a recording, including the marketing and practical organisation. ○ Unit 4: Introducing Composition ○ Unit 5: Introducing Performance ➤ Exam: Unit 1- During May of Year 10 - Marked out of 50. ➤ Each of the other units are awarded one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Level 1 Pass =6 ○ Level 2 Pass =12 ○ Level 2 Merit =18 ○ Level 2 Distinction =24 ➤ Minimum points required for overall qualification grade: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ungraded = 0 ○ Level 1 Pass = 24 ○ Level 2 Pass = 48 ○ Level 2 Merit = 66 ○ Level 2 Distinction = 84 ○ Level 2 Distinction* = 90 ➤ The overall Level 2 Pass grade achieved is also dependent on achieving a at least 24 points across Units 1& 2.
Changes to the course for 2021/22
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All students will be awarded a U-TAG grade for the canceled Unit 1 Summer exam ➤ All students have a reduced learning Aims for one of the optional units (4 or 5).
Preparation for Christmas mocks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ N/A - Coursework will be continued according to the BTEC assessment guidelines
Revision resources
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ N/A
Exam Techniques
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ N/A
Catch up strategies for Year 11
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ BBC Bitesize has information on the promotion of music relevant to Unit 2 coursework: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zw8xfrd/revision/1

GCSE Music

Overview of the course and exam dates

- Exam board: WJEC Eduqas
- Course requirements: 40% exam-based, 60% coursework
- Exam dates:
 - Summer 2021 - date TBC - 1h15
- Marks per paper - 96 marks for the listening & appraising exam, 72 marks for composition, 72 marks for performance.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- The exam board has adjusted the quantity of composition coursework to a minimum requirement of at least 2 minutes, reduced from 4 minutes).
- The exam board has adjusted the quantity of performing coursework to a minimum requirement of 1 piece of at least 1:30 minutes (for a solo performance), reduced from 4 minutes.
- Failure to meet the minimum duration requirement for coursework submissions will result in a reduction in overall marks, in accordance with Ofqual regulations.
- Further information regarding the exam content will be released in February.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete the listening paper and will receive a total raw score and the associated grades.
- Christmas mock date:
 - Component 3 - Thursday 9th December - 11 am
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - Focus on Sound: Eduqas lessons and quizzes.
 - Google Classroom class information.

Revision resources

- Focus on Sound: Eduqas lessons and quizzes.
- Google Classroom class information.

Exam Techniques

- Students will be guided through exam questions from past papers in class and taught how to apply their knowledge to exam questions.

Catch up strategies for Year 11

- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for revision.

Performing Arts

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: Edexcel (BTEC)
- Course requirements: 60% internal assessment, 40% external synoptic assessment.
- The course is in 3 components (Components 1 and 2 were completed in Y10).
- Component 3 is an externally marked assessment consisting of 1 devised performance and 3 separate one-hour exams.
- Component 3 is marked out of 48.
- The total score for all 3 components is 120, the grade awarded will be determined by the total score.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- The course has had assessment adaptations made due to COVID-19 disruption.
- Students are not expected to have completed all elements of the 2 components in Y10 and a grade will be given using sufficient evidence from their classwork.
- There have been no adaptations to component 3.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete mini mock performances and complete 1 exam based on an analysis of these performances.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Choice 2 - Wednesday 1st December - 8.45 am
 - Choice 3 - Thursday 9th December - 11 am
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students complete:
 - After-school revision and rehearsals.
 - Complete a practice log for homework.
 - Create organised notes to take into the exam.

Revision Resources

- BBC bitesize Drama: [GCSE Drama - Other](#)
- BBC bitesize Dance: [Choreographing a dance routine - Dance - factfile - GCSE Physical Education Revision - WJEC](#)
- Google Classroom: Complete any homework and revise with prior lessons.
- Youtube: There are brilliant resources to help with devising and choreography.
 - [National Theatre Youtube Channel](#)

Exam Techniques

- Homework and feedback to help improve exam essay writing and confidence.
- Revision every Thursday after school - preparing students by helping with rehearsals for devising and choreography.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for revision
- After-school revision: After-school sessions on Thursdays and rehearsals to help build skill and confidence on Monday.

Religious Education

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: AQA
- Qualification: Religious Studies A
- Course requirements: 100% exam-based
- Exam dates (provisional):
 - Paper 1: The study of religions: beliefs, teachings, and practices - Monday 16th May 2022 (AM) - 1h45 - 96 marks + 6 marks SPaG
 - Paper 2: Thematic Studies - Thursday 26th May 2022 (PM) - 1h45 - 96 marks + 3 marks SPaG
- The total score for Religious Studies is 201. Each paper is worth 50%. The grades awarded will be determined by the total score, students will receive one overall grade.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- Further information regarding the topics will be released in February.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete two exam papers and will receive a total raw score and the associated grades.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Paper 1: The study of religions: beliefs, teachings, and practices - Christianity - 55 minutes - Wednesday 1st December 2021 (AM)
 - Paper 2: Thematic Studies - Themes A, B, D, and E - Wednesday 15th December (AM)
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - Google Classroom resources
 - Recommended websites

Revision Resources

- BBC Bitesize: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zjgx47h>
- Google Classroom: Use lesson and revision resources that are uploaded
- Oak National Academy: [Oak National Academy - Religious Education](#)
- AQA GCSE Religious Studies A - [Religious Studies | GCSE | Religious Studies A](#)

Exam Techniques

- Practice exam questions on Google Classroom
- Mind maps
- Flashcards

Science

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: Edexcel
- Course requirements: 100% exam-based.
- Exam dates (provisional):
 - Biology 1 - Tuesday 17th May (am)
 - Chemistry 1 - Friday 27th May (am)
 - Physics 1 - Wednesday 8th June (pm)
 - Biology 2 - Wednesday 15th June (am)
 - Chemistry 2 - Monday 20th June (am)
 - Physics 2 - Thursday 23rd June (am)
- Marks per paper:
 - 60 marks for combined science + 100 marks for separate
- The total score for combined science is 360, the grades awarded will be determined by the total score, students will receive 2 grades.
- The total score for separate science is 200 per subject, the grade awarded will be determined by the total score over the 2 subject papers.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- All students will be given a complete physics equations sheet, so there is no need to be able to recall these.
- Students are not expected to have completed the 'Core Practicals', watching them is sufficient.
- Further information regarding the topics will be released in February.

Preparation for Christmas mocks

- The students will complete all 6 papers and will receive a total raw score and the associated grades.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Biology 1 - Tuesday 30th November - 11 am
 - Chemistry 1 - Wednesday 1st December - 11 am
 - Physics 1 - Friday 3rd December - 8.45 am
 - Biology 2 - Tuesday 7th December - 11 am
 - Chemistry 2 - Wednesday 8th December - 8.45 am
 - Physics 2 - Monday 13th December - 11 am
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - Flashcards.
 - After school revision.
 - Google Classroom quizzes.
 - Instagram challenge.
 - Recommended websites.

Revision Resources

- Flashcards: We recommend learning small numbers of the flashcards at a time and testing yourself or by others.
- Seneca Learning: [Free Homework & Revision for A Level, GCSE, KS3 & KS2](#)
- BBC bitesize: [GCSE](#)
- Google Classroom: Complete the assigned knowledge quizzes and use the lesson

- resources that are uploaded.
- Recommended revision guides: CGP Edexcel Science.
 - Youtube: There are brilliant revision videos on YouTube available if your child prefers a 'visual' style of revision. Just remember to search 'GCSE Edexcel Science':
 - Fuse School - [FuseSchool - Global Education](#)
 - Primrose Kitten - [Science and Maths by Primrose Kitten](#)
 - On the App store: On iPhone and Android phones, there are also ranges of apps that can support them in their revision:
 - Pocket Notes – GCSE Science - Free
 - BBC Bitesize – Revision - Free
 - GCSE Science: Biology – Free
 - GCSE Science: Chemistry – Free
 - GCSE Science: Physics – Free

Exam Techniques

- Walking Talking Mocks: Students will be guided through exam questions in exam settings, this acclimatises them to the exam hall and teaches them how to apply their knowledge to exam questions.
- Recall: The use of flashcards alongside recall quizzes allows students to learn all of the key content for the exam.
- Revision every Friday after school: Preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- [Century](#) (century.tech): An online platform that identifies individual students starting points based on assessments, which then directs students to personalised learning pathways
- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for revision
- After-school revision: Revision every Friday after school, preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge

Sociology

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: AQA
- Course requirements: 100% exam-based
- Exam dates (provisional):
 - The Sociology of Families and Education - 1h45 - Monday 16th May - PM
 - The Sociology of Crime and Deviance and Social Stratification - 1h45 - Friday 10th June - PM
- Marks per paper: 100. Each paper is worth 50% of the overall marks.
- The total score for Sociology is 200, the grades awarded will be determined by the total score, students will receive 1 overall grade.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- Further information regarding the topics will be released in February.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete both papers and will receive a total raw score and the associated grades.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Paper 1 Families & Education - Tuesday 14th December
 - Paper 2 Crime & Deviance and Social Stratification - Wednesday 15th December
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - Revision guide available via Parent pay.
 - Google Classroom resources.
 - Recommended websites.

Revision Resources

- BBC bitesize: [GCSE Sociology](#)
- Google Classroom: Use the lesson resources that are uploaded
- Recommended revision guides: Collins
- Youtube: There are brilliant revision videos on Youtube available if your child prefers a 'visual' approach.
 - [CrashCourse](#)
 - [all sociology](#)
 - [tutor2u](#)

Exam Techniques

- Practice exam questions in the revision guide
- Mind maps
- Flashcards

Spanish

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: Edexcel.
- Course requirements: 100% exam-based.
- Exam dates:
 - Paper 1 Listening and Paper 3 Reading - Thursday 26th May
 - Paper 4 Writing - Friday 17th June
 - Speaking test date TBC, likely April 2022
- Marks per paper and total:
 - Paper 1 Listening /50
 - Paper 2 speaking / 70
 - Paper 3 reading /50
 - Paper 4 writing / 60.
 - All skills are equally weighted and the grade awarded will be determined by the total score out of 230.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- Changes to the course for this year: Exam boards will include an extra optional question in the writing assessment to help students to focus on fewer themes in their writing. Further information regarding the topics will be released in February.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- Speaking tests: 15th - 26th November. Students have received individual times for these.
- Listening and Reading: Monday 6th December.
- Writing: Wednesday 15th December.
- In order to prepare we recommend that students utilise the revision resources detailed below.

Revision Resources

- Recommended revision guide and workbook: 'Pearson Revise GCSE 9-1 Spanish revision guide and work.
- Flashcards: We recommend that students learn one key verb per week (blue cards) as well as the higher opinions (pink cards). These cards were given to students in September.
- Kelvin Independence: Various Spanish revision resources are available
- Revision resources on Google Classroom
- Linguascope (Language learning website) www.linguascope.com Username: kelvinhall password:idiomas21
- BBC Bitesize: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z799hbk>

Exam Techniques

- In-Class Progress Checks: Students will be guided through exam style questions, focussing on a different skill each lesson. This teaches them how to apply their knowledge to exam questions.
- Weekly vocab tests: To test students recall of key verbs and structures
- Revision every Wednesday after school: Preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- Google Classroom: All lessons and homeworks are uploaded here for students to access for revision. In addition, extra revision resources are posted.
- Revision every Wednesday after school: Preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.

Sports Studies

Overview of the course and exam dates

- Exam board: OCR
- Course requirements: 100% exam-based
 - 25% External examination: R051: Contemporary Issues in Sport
 - 75% Coursework
 - R052: Developing Sport Skills
 - R053: Sports Leadership
 - R054: Sport and the Media
- Exam dates:
 - R051: Contemporary Issues in Sport - Monday 10th January (8.45 am)
 - R051: Contemporary Issues in Sport - Tuesday 24th May (pm)
- Marks per paper/unit: 60 marks.
- The total score for Sports Studies is 240.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- TAGs (Teacher Assessed Grades) have been used for some students and dropped for others for R054: Sport and the Media. This is to ensure that no student has been disadvantaged due to COVID lockdowns.

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete all 6 papers and will receive a total raw score and the associated grades.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - R051: Contemporary Issues in Sport
 - Choice 2: Wednesday 1st December Period 1 and 2
 - Choice 3: Thursday 9th December Period 3-5
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources
 - Flashcards
 - After-school revision
 - Google Classroom quizzes
 - Instagram challenge
 - Recommended websites

Revision Resources

- Flashcards: We recommend learning small numbers of the flashcards at a time and testing yourself or by others
- BBC bitesize: [Sporting behaviour - sportsmanship - Ethical factors in sports - OCR - GCSE Physical Education Revision - OCR](#)
- Google Classroom: Complete the assigned knowledge quizzes and use the lesson resources that are uploaded
- The teacher provided revision guides
- Youtube: here are brilliant revision videos on YouTube available if your son/daughter prefers a 'visual' style of revision.
 - LO1: [R051 Contemporary Issues in Sport LO1 \(Part 1\)](#) and [R051 Contemporary Issues in Sport LO1 \(Part 2\)](#)
 - LO2: [R051 Contemporary Issues in Sport LO2 \(Part 1\)](#) and [R051 Contemporary Issues in Sport LO2 \(Part 2\)](#)

- LO3: [R051 Contemporary Issues in Sport LO3 Major Sporting Events \(Part 1\)](#) and [R051 Contemporary Issues in Sport LO3 Major Sporting Events \(Part 2\)](#)
- LO4: [Cambridge Nationals R051 - LO4 NGB's in sport with Mr Pemberton | The Bolsover School](#)

Exam Techniques

- Walking Talking Mocks: Students will be guided through exam questions in exam settings, this acclimatises them to the exam hall and teaches them how to apply their knowledge to exam questions.
- Recall: The use of flashcards alongside recall quizzes allows students to learn all of the key content for the exam.
- Revision every Tuesday or Thursday after school: Preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.

Catch-up Strategies for Year 11

- Google Classroom: All resources are uploaded here, so students can use the resources for revision.
- After school revision: Revision every Tuesday or Thursday after school, preparing students by revisiting content and application of knowledge.
- After the January examination, there will be time set aside in lessons to improve R053: Sports Leadership coursework before its final moderation.

Travel & Tourism

Overview of the Course and Exam Dates

- Exam board: BTEC
- Course requirements: 60% Coursework and 40% External Exam
- Exam date (confirmed):
 - Component 2 - Influences on Global Travel & Tourism (2hrs) - Wednesday 9th February 2022 (AM)
- Marks and weighting of components:
 - Component 1 - Travel and Tourism Organisations & Destinations - 30%
 - Component 2 - Influences of Global Travel & Tourism - (70 marks) 40%
 - Component 3 - Customer Needs in Travel & Tourism 30%
- The grade awarded will be determined by the total weighting of the result, students will receive one overall grade.

Changes to the Course for 2021/22

- Component 1A: coursework students are to focus on one organisation that a Travel and Tourism operator works with rather than two
- Component 2: No changes
- Component 3B: coursework to focus on one customer scenario rather than two

Preparation for Christmas Mocks

- The students will complete the external exam paper and receive a grade based on this exam.
- Christmas mock dates:
 - Wednesday 15th December 2021 11 am
- In order to prepare, we recommend that students take advantage of the following resources:
 - Wednesday evening revision sessions - 10th November, 24th November, 7th December (3-4:00 pm)
 - Google Classroom resources
 - Recommended websites

Revision Resources

- BBC bitesize: [Tourism - GCSE Geography Revision](#)
- Google Classroom: Use the lesson resources that are uploaded
- [St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School](#)>documents
- [Factors! Revision Notes \(A\)](#)
- [Impacts of Tourism Revision Notes \(B\)](#)

Exam Techniques

- Practice exam questions on Google Classroom and from resources provided by teachers
- Knowledge Organisers
- Mind maps
- Flashcards