KS4 GCSE, BTEC and Technical Awards Examination Information (2019-21)

Subject	Exam board	Exam	How many exams	Duration	Exam Information	Internal exam (IE) Controlled Assessment (CA) Coursework (CW)
English Language	AQA	100%	2	1 ¾ hrs 1 ¾ hrs	Paper 1 – creative reading and writing Paper 2 – Non-fiction: reading and writing	Speaking and Listening
English Literature	AQA	100%	2	1 ¾ hrs 2 ¼ hrs	Paper 1 – Shakespeare and the 19th century novel Paper 2 - poetry	
Mathematics Higher - Grades 4-9 Foundation - Grades 1-5	Edexcel	100%	3	1½ hrs 1½ hrs 1½ hrs	Paper 1 Non-Calculator Paper 2 Calculator Paper 3 Calculator	
Combined Science	Edexcel	100%	6	1⅙ hrs 1⅙ hrs 1⅙ hrs 1⅙ hrs 1⅙ hrs 1⅙ hrs	Paper 1 - Biology Paper 2 - Biology Paper 1 - Chemistry Paper 2 - Chemistry Paper 1 - Physics Paper 2 - Physics	
Triple Science Multiple choice questions Short answer questions Calculations Extended open response questions	Edexcel	100%	6	1¾ hrs 1¾ hrs 1¾ hrs 1¾ hrs 1¾ hrs 1¾ hrs	Paper 1 - Biology Paper 2 - Biology Paper 1 - Chemistry Paper 2 - Chemistry Paper 1 - Physics Paper 2 - Physics	
History	Edexcel	30% 40% 30%	3	1¼ hrs 1¾ hrs 1⅓ hrs	Paper 1 – Crime and Punishment through time C1000-present Paper 2 – Superpower relations 1941-1991 / Early Elizabethan England 1558-1588 Paper 3 – Germany 1918-39	
Geography	AQA	35% 35% 30%	3	1½ hrs 1½ hrs 1¼ hrs	Paper 1 – Living with the Physical Environment Paper 2 – Challenges in the Human Environment Paper 3 – Geographical Applications: issue evaluation and fieldwork examination. Issue evaluation based on a pre-released booklet (12 weeks before the exam).	

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Religious Studies	Edexcel	100%	2	1¾ hrs 1¾ hrs	Paper 1 – Religion and Ethics Paper 2 – Religion, Peace and Conflict	
Computer Science	OCR	100%	2	1½ hrs 1½ hrs	Paper 1 – Computer Systems Paper 2 – Computational Thinking, Algorithms and Programming	NEA Programming Project Tasks 1, 2 and 3 (20 hours)
French Foundation Higher	AQA	25% 25% 25% 25%	4	¾ hr 7-12 mins ¾ or 1 hr 1 or 1¼ hrs	Listening Speaking – role play, photo cards with conversation Reading – English and French questions and translation Writing – written tasks and short translation	
Spanish Foundation Higher	AQA	25% 25% 25% 25%	4	¾ hr 7-12 mins ¾ or 1 hr 1 or 1¼ hrs	Listening Speaking – role play, photo cards with conversation Reading – English and Spanish questions and translation Writing – written tasks and short translation	
German Foundation Higher	AQA	25% 25% 25% 25%	4	¾ hr 7-12 mins ¾ or 1 hr 1 or 1¼ hrs	Listening Speaking – role play, photo cards with conversation Reading – English and German questions and translation Writing – written tasks and short translation	
Physical Education	Edexcel	60%	2	1¾ hrs 1¼ hrs	Paper 1 - Fitness and Body Systems - 36% Paper 2 - Health and Performance - 24%	Practical Performance – 30% (IE and external examiner) Personal Exercise Programme - 10% (IE)
Music	Edexcel	40%	1		Paper 1 - Instrumental Music 1700-1820, Vocal music, music for Stage and Screen Fusion.	Ensemble and Solo performance 30% (IE) Composition 30% (IE)

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Drama	AQA	40%	1	1¾ hrs	Section A – four multiple choice questions on theatre terminology Section B – short and extended questions on set text Section C – one question from a choice about a live theatre performance seen.	2500 worded Devising Log – 30% (IE) Devised performance – 10% (IE) Scripted Performance - 20% (IE and external examiner)
Art: Fine Art	Edexcel	40%	1	2 days (10 hours)	30% Sketchbook work preparing for the exam piece 10% timed independent art exam	Still Life sketchbook (CW) Structures sketchbook (CW) Total: 60%
Art: Graphics	Edexcel	40%	1	2 days (10 hours)	Portfolio to research and prepare for final product (paper given in February). Create a product to meet a given brief	Portfolio of work – 60% 3 projects (CW)
Food and Nutrition	AQA	50%	1	1¾ hrs	Paper 1 Section 1 - multiple choice question (20 marks) Section 2 - five questions with sub-questions (80 marks)	Write up of a practical investigation - 15% (IE) 3 hours practical CA with written evidence - 35% (IE)
Design & Technology	Eduqas	50%	1	2 hrs	Paper 1 - Design & Technology in the 21st century	Design and make project – 50% (CA)
Business Studies	Edexcel	50%	2	1¾ hrs	Paper 1 - Influences of operations and HRM on business activity. Paper 2 - Influences of marketing and finance on business activity.	

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					Nationals and BTECs	
Cambridge Nationals Creative iMedia	OCR	50%	1	1¼ hours	Unit R081 – Pre-production skills used in the creative and digital media, including client brief, time frames, deadlines and preparation techniques.	**Coursework – 75%** Unit R082 – creating digital graphics against a specific brief. Unit R086 – creating a digital animation. Unit R091 – designing a game component OR Unit R088 – creating a multipage website.
BTEC Creative Media Production (Level 2)	Edexcel	40%			Component 3 – Create a media product in response to a Brief (Synoptic Assessment)	**Coursework – 60%** Component 1 – Exploring Media Products. Component 2 - Developing Digital Media Production skills.
BTEC Business Enterprise (Level 2)	Edexcel	40%	1	2 hours	Unit 3 - Promotion and Finance for Enterprise (2 hours)	**Coursework – 60%** Unit 1 – Exploring Enterprises Unit 2 – Planning and Pitching an Enterprise activity.
BTEC Sport (Level 2)	Edexcel	25%	1	1 hour	Unit 1 – Fitness for Sport and Exercise – on screen exam	**Coursework – 75%** Unit 2 – Practical Sports Performance. Unit 3 – Training for Personal Fitness. Unit 4 – The Sports Performer in Action.
BTEC Health and Social Care (Level 2)	Edexcel	40%	1	1 hour	Component 3 – Health & Wellbeing	**Coursework – 60%** Component 1 – Human Lifespan Development. Component 2 – Health & Social Care Services and values.