



**Controlled Assessment  
Booklet  
Key Stage 4  
2011 - 2013**



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## Art and Design

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### Marks Available

In early Spring 2013, all Year 11 Art students will receive their set task paper. From this point on they will be working on their preparatory studies for their supervised 10 hours in which an outcome is to be produced. Together, the preparatory studies and the outcome count for 40% of their final GCSE (the coursework/portfolio completed previously makes up the remaining 60%).

### Outline of the Assessment

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Students need to ensure they meet all four assessment objectives:

AO1 Students develop their ideas through investigations informed by contextual and other sources, demonstrating analytical and cultural understanding.

AO2 Students refine their ideas through experimenting and selecting appropriate resources, media, materials, techniques and processes.

AO3 Students record ideas, observations and insights relevant to their intentions in visual and/or other forms.

AO4 Students present informed and meaningful response demonstrating analytical and critical understanding, realising intentions and, where appropriate, making connections between visual, written, oral or other elements.

### Resources Needed

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New work-journal/sketchbook - separate from coursework and clearly identified as the Controlled Assessment booklet.

### Preparation Work

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Preparation work commences 6 weeks before the supervised assessment.

### Dates and Times

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The set task (examination conditions) usually takes place at the end of March 2013 (or the beginning of April).

AO = Assessment Objective



## Business Studies

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### Marks Available

The Controlled Assessment is worth 25% of the final GCSE grade (40 marks).

### Outline of the Assessment

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Students choose a question from a list of 5 that requires them to select a small business and research a specific area. They need to choose a business that they can have easy access to in terms of detailed information. Students will then spend 6 hours researching and 3 hours writing up their findings in controlled conditions.

### Resources Needed

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Knowledge of small business  
Lesson notes  
PC & Internet access

### Preparation Work

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Theory covered in Year 10; research with guidance and support from teacher.

### Dates and Times

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Commences week beginning 5 September 2011 for 5 weeks (Year 11).



## Catering

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### Marks Available

The Controlled Assessment makes up 60% of the final GCSE grade (worth 120 marks).

### Outline of the Assessment

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Task 1 (20%) 40 marks – students use fruit and vegetables to create 4 interesting dishes

Task 2 (40%) 80 marks – students create a 2 course meal from a country of their choice

### Resources Needed

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Family recipes

### Preparation Work

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Preparation for Task 1 will commence mid December 2011

Preparation for Task 2 will commence May 2011

### Dates and Times

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Task 1 will commence in the week beginning 3 January 2012

Task 2 will commence June 2011

## Design & Technology

- Resistant Materials
- Graphics



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### Marks Available

The Controlled Assessment is worth 60% of the final GCSE grade (90 marks).

### Outline of the Assessment

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A single design-and-make activity selected from a choice of set tasks, consisting of the development of a made outcome and a concise design folder and/or appropriate ICT evidence.

As part of the evidence submitted, students should include photographs of the finished products as well as photographs at various stages of the process.

### Resources Needed

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Academy supplied

### Preparation Work

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Some work in Year 10 will be to develop skills for coursework and improve knowledge for Design folders and external exam.

### Dates and Times

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Controlled Assessment starts in the Autumn term Year 10 (2011), completion date is the end of the Autumn term Year 11 (2012).



## Drama

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### Marks Available

Unit 1 – 30% of GCSE

Practical assessment 40 marks / written assessment 20 marks

Unit based on a theme or issue unknown to the group before the assessment

Unit 2 – 30% of GCSE

Practical assessment 30 marks / written assessment 20 marks / Theatre review 20 marks

Unit based on a play studied within lessons

### Outline of the Assessment

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Unit 1 – six hour practical assessment based on a theme or issue.

Unit 2 - six hour practical assessment based on a play studied.

### Resources Needed

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Notes following a theatre visit

Notes following two practical assessments

### Preparation Work / Dates and Times

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Unit 2 is assessed before Unit 1.

With the exception of the Theatre Review for Unit 2, all Controlled Assessments are undertaken in Year 11.

Unit 1 – Assessed practical workshops are undertaken in the week beginning 26 Nov 2012

Preparation / notes completed in the week beginning 3 and 10 Dec 2012

Controlled Assessment – completion of written document in the week beginning 17 Dec 2012, 7 Jan 2013 and 14 Jan 2013

Unit 2 – Preparation for assessment begins in the week beginning 10 Sep 2012

Assessed practical workshops are undertaken in the week beginning 8 Oct 2012

Preparation / notes completed in the week beginning 15 and 22 Oct 2012

Controlled Assessment – completion of written document in the week beginning 5, 12 and 19 Nov 2012

Theatre Review – Preparation and completion of the live theatre review is undertaken in Year 10. Timings for the visit and Controlled Assessment are dictated by the productions available and when performed within the academic year.



## Electronics

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### Marks Available

Controlled Assessment makes up 25% of the final GCSE grade (Year 11).

No Controlled Assessment in Year 10.

### Outline of the Assessment

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Students select a project in Year 11 that they are interested in.

For the circuit: design, build, test, evaluate and report, producing a folder and working breadboard circuit.

### Resources Needed

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PCs, breadboards, electronic components, camera - provided by the Academy

Design folder (Year 11)

Mark scheme

### Preparation Work

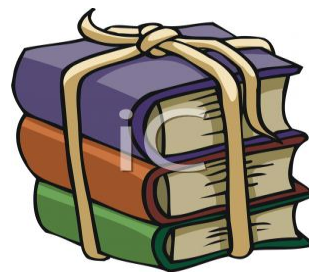
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Preparation for these tasks will commence June 2012.

### Dates and Times

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The Controlled Assessment will take place September - November 2012 and January - March 2013.



## English (stand alone)

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### Marks Available

Unit 1 English Today makes up 20% of GCSE; 40 marks available

Unit 3 Creative English makes up 40 % of GCSE; 96 marks available

### Outline of the Assessment

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Unit 1 English Today: students complete 2 x 2 hour tasks

Task 1: an analytical comparison of two non-fiction texts

Task 2: a written transactional task

Unit 3 Creative English (20%) Speaking and Listening

In addition, students complete 2 x 2 hour tasks

(10%) Poetry task: students write analytically about one literary heritage poem and two poems from the anthology.

(10%) Creative writing task: a piece of imaginative writing must be produced in response to a stimulus from the exam board.

### Resources Needed

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Unit 1 English Today:

Clean copies of non-fiction texts

Notes pages

Unit 3 Creative English:

Clean poetry texts

Notes pages

### Preparation Work

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Unit 1 English Today: relevant skills are taught from the end of Year 9 until the Controlled Assessment, November/December 2011

Unit 3 Creative English:

Speaking and listening skills for each task

Poetry skills developed from the start of Year 11 (September 2012)

Creative writing skills from Spring in Year 11 (September 2012)

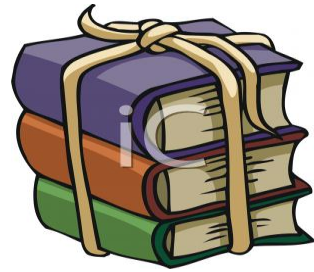
### Dates and Times

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Exam board guidelines are followed; students take assessments as soon as they are ready.

Unit 1 English Today: Usually November/December/January of Year 10, (September 2011) depending on class

Unit 3 Creative English: Spring term of Year 11 (2013) up to the beginning of May



## English Language (taught with English Literature)

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### Marks Available

Unit 1 English Today makes up 20% of GCSE; 40 marks available

Unit 3 Spoken Language makes up 40 % of GCSE; 96 marks available

### Outline of the Assessment

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Unit 1 English Today: students complete 2 x 2 hour tasks

Task 1: an analytical comparison of two non-fiction texts

Task 2: a written transactional task

Unit 3 Spoken Language (20%) Speaking and Listening

In addition, students learn about forms of English and complete 2 x 2 hour tasks

Task 1: analysis of the spoken word (10%)

Task 2: writing for the spoken word (10%)

### Resources Needed

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Unit 1 English Today:

Clean copies of non-fiction texts

Notes pages

Unit 3 Spoken Language:

Transcripts of spoken English

Notes pages

Writing for the spoken voice

### Preparation Work

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Unit 1 English Today: relevant skills are taught from the end of Year 9 until the Controlled Assessment, November/December 2011

Unit 3 Spoken Language:

Speaking and listening skills for each task

Teaching of spoken word features from Spring term Year 11 (January 2013)

How to analyse spoken word transcripts from Spring term Year 11 (January 2013)

How to write for the speaking voice

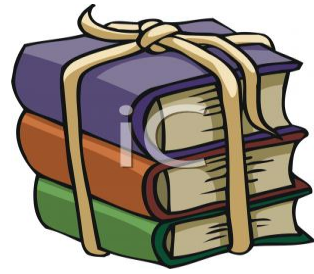
### Dates and Times

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Exam board guidelines are followed; students take assessments as soon as they are ready.

Unit 1 English Today: Usually November/December of Year 10, (2011)

Unit 3 Spoken Language: Spring term of Year 11 (January 2013) – up to the beginning of May



## English Literature (taught with English Language)

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### Marks Available

Unit 3 Shakespeare and Contemporary Drama makes up 25% of GCSE; 50 marks available

### Outline of the Assessment

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#### Unit 3 Shakespeare and Contemporary Drama

Students complete 2 x 2 hour tasks

Task 1: Students make a comparison between their own reading of a Shakespeare text and the reading given in an adaptation of the text such as a film (15%)

Task 2 Students analyse and evaluate a contemporary drama text (10%)

### Resources Needed

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#### Unit 3 Shakespeare and Contemporary Drama:

Clean copies of drama texts

Notes pages

A dictionary or thesaurus

### Preparation Work

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#### Unit 3 Shakespeare and Contemporary Drama:

Students must study all three texts. Shakespeare will be taught in the first half of the Year 11 Autumn term (September /October 2012); contemporary drama, in the second half of that Autumn term (November/December 2012).

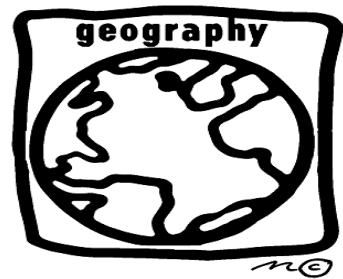
### Dates and Times

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Exam board guidelines are followed; students take assessments as soon as they are ready.

The Shakespeare Controlled Assessment will be taken in the October of Year 11 (2012).

The Contemporary Drama Controlled Assessment will be taken in November/December of Year 11 (2012).



## Geography

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### Marks Available

The Controlled Assessment makes up 25% of the final GCSE grade (worth 50 marks).

### Outline of the Assessment

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2011-2012 title:

'On balance, tourism has a positive impact on rural areas'.

Content:

Either: 1. An assessment of footpath erosion at two contrasting locations within the same 'hotspot' (Malham in the Yorkshire Dales).

Or: Establishing a profile of visitors of Malham in the Yorkshire Dales.

### Resources Needed

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One day field trip in October 2011 (date tbc) will generate their primary data – necessary for data presentation, analysis and testing of their hypotheses.

### Preparation Work

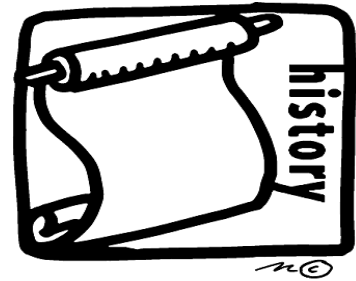
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Preparation for will commenced in June/July and leads into the Autumn term 2011.

### Dates and Times

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The Controlled Assessment will be completed in full by the end of the Autumn term (December 19 2011).



## History

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### Marks Available

The Controlled Assessment is worth 25% of the final GCSE grade (40 marks).

Q1 15 marks

Q2 25 marks

Both are based on how World War I and World War II were fought.

### Outline of the Assessment

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The two questions are rotated on a four year cycle.

- Q1: Selection of 5 sources
- Q2: Selection of 8 sources. Interpretation in the form of a quotation.

### Resources Needed

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Source booklet (provided by the department)  
Resources/materials created by the department  
Own research  
Department textbooks

### Preparation Work

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Preparation will commence in the week beginning 6 June (2012) with an overview/skills focus.  
Somme visit takes place to support the work.

### Dates and Times

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Q1 completed in the week beginning 5 September 2012.  
Q2 completed in the week beginning 3 October 2012.



## Media Studies

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### Marks Available

Unit 2: Understanding the Media makes up 60% of the final GCSE grade (90 marks)

Assignments are taken from 3 banks which are changed slightly every few years (choice of approximately 6 tasks per bank).

Assignment 1: 15 marks

Assignment 2: 30 marks

Assignment 3: 45 marks

### Outline of the Assessment

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- Assignment 1: Introduction to the Media
- Assignment 2: Cross-Media Study
- Assignment 3: Practical Production and Evaluation

### Resources Needed

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Media Suite – Photoshop or appropriate software

Cameras

Audio Equipment

Assignment banks

### Preparation Work

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Assignment 1: week beginning Monday 5 September until Wednesday 17 October 2011

Assignment 3: week beginning Tuesday 3 January until Monday 26 March 2012

Assignment 2: week beginning Monday 3 September until Monday 22 October 2012

The assignments are completed in this order because of the skills involved.

### Dates and Times

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Assignment 1: September to December 2011

Assignment 2: January to July 2012

Assignment 3: September 2012 to February 2013



## Modern Foreign Languages

- MFL Speaking/Writing

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### Marks Available

These Controlled Assessments will form up to 60% of the final GCSE grade, 30% for each skill.

The department will choose the best two pieces from each skill to present to the exam board.

Students will 'bank' at least one Controlled Assessment per skill per year.

### Outline of the Assessment

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#### Speaking

Students will need to speak for 4-6 minutes and this will be recorded. They will be given a practice task in class which will give them the opportunity to get some feedback on their work before they do the formal Controlled Assessment. Students should then use the marked practice task to prepare for their Controlled Assessment.

#### Writing

Students will need to produce 200+ words in one hour on a given topic, with the aid of a dictionary and bullet point sheet. Students will be given a practice task in class which will give them the opportunity to get some feedback on their work before they do the formal Controlled Assessment. Students should then use the marked practice task to prepare for their Controlled Assessment.

### Resources Needed

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All notes in books and from the teacher as well as on the 'I' drive MFL section

Blog links

Students' interactive GCSE books

### Preparation Work

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Preparation for all tasks will be completed in lessons and there is a two week window maximum per task.

### Dates and Times

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Writing will be completed as ready in lessons.

Speaking will be timetabled for Autumn 2011(if ready), Spring 2012 and Summer 2012.

## Music

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### Marks Available

#### Unit 2: Composing and Appraising Music

- 20 hours supervised time for composition
- 2 hours for Appraisal
- 40 marks; 20% of course

#### Unit 3: Performing Music

- 1 Solo and 1 Ensemble performance
- 60 marks; 40% of course
- Internally assessed and externally moderated

#### Unit 4: Composing Music

- Controlled Assessment Coursework
- 25 hours supervised time
- 30 marks; 20% of course

### Outline of the Assessment

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Unit 2 is assessed externally

Unit 3 is recorded and assessed internally, then moderated externally

Unit 4 is assessed internally and then moderated externally

### Resources Needed

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ABRSM Theory work books – Grades 1-5.

CGP Revision Guides – Areas of Study and Core Content.

### Preparation Work

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Unit 2 week beginning 12 March – 30 March 2012

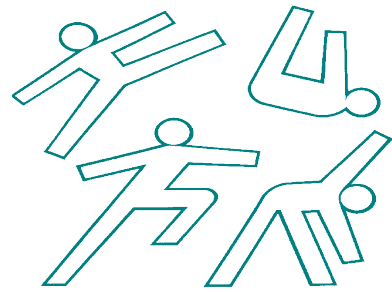
### Dates and Times

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Unit 2: 16 April 2012 - 25 June 2012

Unit 3: Recordings to take place during Autumn term of Year 11 (September – October 2012)

Unit 4: September 2012 – February 2013



## Physical Education

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### Marks Available

The GCSE is broken down into 2 components. The practical element of the course is marked out of 40 and is taken from the candidate's four best activities. A further 10 marks is available through written assessment of a single practical activity. Overall this makes up 60% of their final mark. The other 40% of their overall grade is in the form of a written examination which is out of 80 marks.

### Outline of the Assessment

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Practical on-going assessment of multiple activities will take place in GCSE lessons, Core PE lessons, Enrichments and out of the Academy.

### Resources Needed

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PE kit for practical examination

### Preparation Work

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Preparation for practical written assessment will commence in all practical lessons from the week beginning 30 January 2012.

### Dates and Times

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Practical assessment of activities is on-going throughout lessons in Years 10 and 11.  
The final written Controlled Assessment will be carried out in the week beginning 20 February 2013.



## Science

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Year 10 only

### Marks Available:

There are 48 raw marks (25% of Year 10 GCSE grade) available on Controlled Assessments. Topics can be taken from Physics, Chemistry or Biology.

### Outline of the Assessment

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The assessment is split into 3 parts:

- Research and collecting secondary data
- Planning and collecting primary data
- Analysis and evaluation

There are two opportunities to complete a Controlled Assessment.

### Resources Needed

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IT rooms for research  
Practical equipment  
Answer packs for students

### Preparation Work

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Preparation for these tasks (maximum 3 lessons) will commence in lessons in the week prior to the Controlled Assessment.

First opportunity will be carried out in the week beginning 30 January 2012.

Second opportunity will be carried out in the week beginning 27 February 2012.

### Dates and Times

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First opportunity will be carried out in the week beginning 6 February 2012.

Second opportunity will be carried out in the week beginning 5 March 2012.



## Separate Sciences

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Year 10 only

### Marks Available

Physics, Chemistry and Biology each have a Controlled Assessment. There are 48 raw marks (25% of Year 10 GCSE grade) available for these controlled assessments. Topics can be taken from anything in Unit 1 to Unit 6 for each of the Sciences.

### Outline of the Assessment

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The assessment is split into 3 parts:

- Research and collecting secondary data
- Planning and collecting primary data
- Analysis and evaluation

There are two opportunities to complete a Controlled Assessment.

### Resources Needed

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IT rooms for research  
Practical equipment  
Answer packs for students

### Preparation Work

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Preparation for these tasks (maximum 3 lessons) will commence in lessons in the week prior to the Controlled Assessment.

First attempt will be carried out in the week beginning 30 January 2012.

Second attempt will be carried out in the Summer term 2012.

### Dates and Times

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First opportunity will be carried out in the week beginning 6 February 2012.

Second opportunity will be carried out in the Summer term 2012.

This applies to two out of the three Science subjects, the third one will be completed in Year 11.