

WJEC AS and A Level Art & Design Newsletter

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Welcome back to a new term. We hope you had a great summer!

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1. [Key dates for summer 2025](#)

The deadline for submission of internal marks to WJEC will be 31st May 2025 and the moderation window will be 9th June – 4th July. Your allocated moderator will contact you in April to arrange the Centre visit.

2. [Preliminary entries](#)

You will need to make preliminary entries via [Portal](#) in October of the academic year of assessment so that we can dispatch the appropriate number of A Level Assignment papers to your centre. If you are in any doubt about whether candidates will be entered for any specific subject/title, you are advised to include a small notional amount (e.g. 5) to ensure that appropriate materials are despatched to you.

If your students are to be assessed in summer 2025 you would need to prompt your Exams Officer to make the preliminary entries by 10th October 2024 which would trigger the despatch of papers to your centre in January 2025, ready for release to candidates from 1st February 2025. Final entries should then be made by 21st February 2025.

3. [Autumn Term Professional Learning opportunities](#)

Our new Assessment Feedback Package for 2024-25 is an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of how assessments are marked or moderated. This integrated suite of resources and training brings together free access to Principal Moderator reports, marked scripts, and online assessment feedback sessions, as well as a range of optional paid face-to-face Professional Learning events. Learn more about how you and your learners can benefit from our Assessment Feedback Package here: [Assessment Feedback Package 2024-25 \(wjec.co.uk\)](https://www.wjec.co.uk).

4. Resources

A wide range of free digital resources is available which include:

[Exemplar Materials](#)

These are marked exemplars with written commentaries across the different titles.

[A Level Art knowledge organisers](#)

A bank of sample knowledge organisers to support the learning of A Level Art & Design.

[Assessment Videos](#)

Which take you through a variety of approaches and provide Senior Moderators' explanations of standards and assessment.

[NEA Walk throughs](#)

PowerPoints with extended explanations, definitions and illustrative examples of each Assessment Objective.

5. Principal Moderators' Reports

The Principal Moderators' reports for AS and A Level Art & Design providing feedback on the summer 2024 series will be available by 30th September on the [website subject page](#). You are advised to read them carefully as they provide helpful observations and commentary on candidates' work this series.

6. Moderator Reports

Your Moderator's Report can now be downloaded on [Portal](#). Please take the time to read this important document as it contains feedback on your centre's performance and advice for next year's submissions. Please ensure you download your report as soon as possible as they are removed from the secure website at the end of the year.

7. Moderator Recruitment

There are a number of moderator vacancies for next summer at both GCSE and GCE level. We are always looking to develop and expand our teams of moderators with dynamic Art and Design teachers who are looking for continuous professional development. If you are interested in these vacancies, please complete the online application before the end of February 2025. You can read more about becoming a moderator on the [Appointees page](#) of our website.

8. Ivan Davies, GCE Chair of Moderators

We sadly bid farewell to our Chair of Moderators, Ivan Davies, who has been a part of the GCSE and GCE Art and Design assessment teams for over 50 years. He has contributed in numerous ways to the development of the subject across the UK and provided support for teachers and learners throughout his tenure, authoring much of the material we use for delivering and assessing the qualifications. This ranges from the current GCE Art and Design specification, Teacher Handbook, AO Checklists, Knowledge Organisers, GCSE and GCE NEA Walk Through series and the unusually named Indicative Content for each title. We will miss him greatly and wish him all the best in his retirement, during which he plans to devote more time to his family, home and chapel.

9. Contact Us

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Art & Design team at artanddesign@wjec.co.uk or 029 2240 4304.