

Newsletter – September 2024

GCSE MATHEMATICS, GCSE MATHEMATICS – NUMERACY and LEVEL 2 ADDITIONAL MATHEMATICS

Professional learning (pl) training courses

Our new Assessment Feedback Package for 2024-25 is an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of how assessments are marked. This integrated suite of resources and training brings together free access to Principal Examiner reports, marked scripts, and online assessment feedback sessions. 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/assessment-feedback-package-2024-25). You can download the most recent Principal Examiner Report and register for FREE, online feedback events on your qualification page. For more information and to book please click on the following link:

[GCSE Mathematics and GCSE Mathematics - Numeracy Training Courses \(wjec.co.uk\)](https://www.wjec.co.uk/gcse-mathematics-and-gcse-mathematics-numeracy-training-courses)

New *Made for Wales* GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy (Double Award)

We are excited to launch the new specification for GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy. The web page for the new GCSE is here: [GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy \(Double Award\) | Made for Wales \(wjec.co.uk\)](https://www.wjec.co.uk/gcse-mathematics-and-numeracy-double-award-made-for-wales). Here are some key dates for your diaries including information on upcoming Professional Learning opportunities.

Key dates

Approved Specifications Published: 30th September 2024

Publication of Sample Assessment Materials: 19th December 2024

Guidance for Teaching Published: 31st January 2025

PL Events and Materials

PL Type	Aims	Format and Notes
<p>Your Guide to the new specification module Available from end of September 2024</p>	<p><i>To support your understanding of the specification document.</i></p>	<p><i>This asynchronous module will be on the "training on demand" tab of your qualification page on the WJEC website. You will need to register to access a link to view.</i></p>
<p>Parent / Options evening flyers Available from end of September 2024</p>	<p><i>To support you to provide information to parents and learners before start of study.</i></p>	<p>This PDF will be published on your qualification's home page.</p>
<p>Live Online Qualification Briefing & Q&A Available 2nd half autumn term 2024.</p> <p>Events are open for registration.</p> <p>Visit the <i>Training</i> tab on your new qualification's webpage to view dates and register:</p> <p>GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy (Double Award) Made for Wales (wjec.co.uk)</p>	<p><i>To support your understanding of the new qualification, its content and assessment structure. The live event will also refer to resources and upcoming PL and offer an opportunity to put questions to our Subject Teams and specification experts.</i></p>	<p><i>These live online events will be advertised on the WJEC website, and you will be required to register via a link. They will be hosted on Teams Live (Townhall).</i></p> <p><i>The events will be presented by WJEC Subject Advisors with Q&A support from WJEC Subject Officers. There will be English medium and Welsh medium events (except for English and Welsh qualifications).</i></p>
<p>* Preparing to Teach (face-to-face)</p> <p>Available from 14/02/25 to 07/04/25</p> <p>Registrations for the Pan Wales INSET days will be collected via your head teacher. No registrations through WJEC's website.</p>	<p><i>To support teaching the new specification. There will be a focus on understanding the assessments, assessment objectives, content and teaching approaches based on the specification, sample assessment materials and guidance for teaching.</i></p>	<p><i>These days take place on designated regional INSET days - there are 12 days in this series held across Wales, including 2 Welsh medium days and 1 bilingual day.</i></p> <p><i>These events will be led by WJEC Subject Advisors and our expert presenting teams.</i></p>
<p>Exam and NEA Walk-throughs</p> <p>Available summer Term 2025</p> <p>Access via the WJEC Portal secure website</p>	<p><i>To support you and your learners to understand the structure of question papers/NEA briefs, question types, assessment objectives and marking methods.</i></p>	<p><i>These pre-recorded PPT will initially be published on the WJEC Portal secure website only.</i></p>

* Your designated regional WJEC face-to-face INSET date (Preparing to Teach) can be found here: [Made-for-Wales GCSEs \(wjec.co.uk\)](#)

[Context Sourcing for GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy \(Double Award\)](#)

As part of our new GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy, we are looking for suggestions for new contexts that can be utilised within our assessments. We welcome suggestions from across Wales. Submissions are welcomed from **all stakeholders**, including learners, teachers, lecturers and industry workers. Our team will consider all suggestions, irrespective of background. For more information, please visit: [Help shape the future of GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy \(Double Award\) assessments \(wjec.co.uk\)](#).

[Principal examiners' reports](#)

Principal examiners' reports are now available for the Summer 2024 series for GCSE Mathematics, GCSE Mathematics - Numeracy, and for Level 2 Additional Mathematics. They can be found under the Key Documents tab on the GCSE Mathematics and Level 2 Additional Mathematics web pages: [GCSE Mathematics and GCSE Mathematics - Numeracy Key Documents \(wjec.co.uk\)](#)
[Level 2 Additional Mathematics Key Documents \(wjec.co.uk\)](#)

[Free access to scripts](#)

WJEC teachers also benefit from access to free marked exam scripts from the Summer 2024 assessment series. Candidates' scripts will be available to download from our **Secure Website** from results day onwards.

[Blended learning and knowledge organisers](#)

Blended learning packages, exam walkthroughs and knowledge organisers are available for GCSE Mathematics and GCSE Mathematics - Numeracy. Visit the [Home Page WJEC Educational Resources Website](#).