

WJEC AS/A Level Business Newsletter

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We hope that you had a relaxing break over the Summer period and that you and your students are feeling prepared for the new school year ahead. We have some general and subject-specific updates and information that you may need, or find useful, as you begin this new term.

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1. Professional Learning Autumn 2024

On 7th October 2024, we will be offering a free online event to provide feedback on Summer 2024 assessments. Our assessment feedback is an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of how assessments are marked.

[Details of this event and the option to book can be found in this link.](#)

2. Resources

A wide range of resources are available to support AS/A Business. Access these free digital resources on the [Digital Resources website](#) to support the delivery of our Business qualification. Content of this site includes:

[Knowledge Organisers:](#) These are available for all 4 units. These can be used for revision or as a starting point for creating your own knowledge organisers.

[Blended Learning:](#) These are available for all 4 units. These resources contain interactive self-study content. The resource is designed to complement traditional face to face teaching with an online learning pack that allows students to learn at their own pace.

[Exam Walk Through:](#) Aimed at learners, this Exam Walk Through resource offers practical hints and tips on how to effectively approach questions in the examination paper. Using questions from past exam papers, the PPT with audio help and audio script in the notes will walk candidates through a mock examination paper, helping them revise and practise useful exam techniques.

[Command Words and Assessment Objectives:](#) A set of resources to help students understand the key command words used in GCE Business examinations. The resource includes written guidance on the four assessment objectives and what command words are used for each assessment objective.

In addition to the online resources, we have also produced Business textbooks based on these resources. These can be ordered directly from Amazon or from us. Details on how to order can be found in this link [AS/A Level Business \(wjec.co.uk\)](#).

[Online Exam Review:](#) Here you will find a collection of interactive units that bring together a number of elements including general data, exam questions, their marking schemes and examiner comments, which will lead you through a review of exam questions.

Training material from previous CPD events can be accessed here: [AS/A Level Business \(wjec.co.uk\)](#). CPD material from more recent CPD events can be found on the [secure portal](#).

3. Key Dates

Examination dates and other key dates for the upcoming academic year are available online via the following link: [Key Dates & Timetables \(wjec.co.uk\)](https://www.wjec.co.uk/key-dates-timetables)

4. Principal Examiners' reports

The Summer 2024 interim Principal Examiners' Report are now available on our [subject page](#). The full final report will also be available by the end of September. We recommend you read these carefully as they offer helpful observations and commentary on candidates performance this series that could help future learners moving forward.

5. Key documents

There is a wide range of material available on the [Key Documents page](#). This includes the specification, sample assessment material, guidance for teaching, Examiners' reports, course outline, text book order forms, grade boundaries, content checklist, plus other useful documents and links.

6. Past papers and mark schemes

The Summer 2024 papers and mark schemes are now available to centres on the [secure site](#). These will be available on the secure site only until July 2025 in line with our [publication policy](#). From the July 2025 they will then be made available on the [public website](#), along with papers and mark schemes for previous years.

7. Facebook group

We have a [Facebook page](#) for teachers delivering WJEC or WJEC Eduqas Business (GCSE & GCE). The group is monitored by Stephen Oliver, WJEC Business and Economics subject officer. On this page, teachers are encouraged to share resources, advice and subject-related news to help fellow group members. Please note, content uploaded is not endorsed by WJEC and is the responsibility of the group member. Search on Facebook for WJEC and WJEC Eduqas Business Teacher Network.

8. Becoming an examiner

As an examiner you will gain an invaluable insight into the assessment process at WJEC, enhance your skill set and also, increase the understanding of your subject. All of which can enhance your teaching. If you are interested in becoming an examiner, find out more information in the following link: <http://www.wjec.co.uk/appointees/>.