

September 2024 Newsletter

GCE Welsh First Language, GCSE Welsh Language, GCSE Welsh Literature, Welsh Entry Level, GCSE Welsh: Language and Literature

I hope you have had a chance to enjoy the summer holidays and are ready for a new season in your centres. We would like to wish you well on the start of a new academic year in your departments. Below you will find information to remind you exactly what we have on our subject pages and key dates for the upcoming year.

GCSE Welsh Language

- Visit the secure website to read the moderator's report on the work of your centre's Unit 1 in the Summer 2024 series.
- Unit 1 samples submission date (Series November 2024) together with relevant paperwork **5 November 2024**. The Surpass website will open for loading the paperwork and samples on **14 October**.
- Series Examination Dates November 2024 Unit 2 **8 November**. Unit 3 **12 November**.
- Unit 1 samples submission date (Summer Series 2025) together with relevant paperwork **24 March 2025**. In 2025, IAMIS will be used to upload non-exam assessment moderation samples assessed by the centre. Centres will be able to input marks and upload samples on the same system and there will be no need to wait for key codes. More information will be shared in a September circular.
- Visit our Digital Resources website on the WJEC website to find a series of blended learning lessons/resources based on GCSE Welsh Language Units 1-3.

GCSE Welsh Literature

- Visit the secure website to read the moderator's report on the work of your centre's Units 3 and 4 in the Summer 2024 series.
- Visit our Secure Website to see Welsh Literature Unit 4 Sample Tasks (2025-2026)
- Unit 1 (Poetry) exam date **10 January 2025**.
- Welsh Literature Unit 3 Assessment Dates:
Foundation Tier **3 April 2025**.
Higher Tier **4 April 2025**.
- Unit 3 and 4 samples submission date (Summer Series 2025) together with relevant paperwork **5 May 2025**. In 2025, IAMIS will be used to upload non-exam assessment moderation samples assessed by the centre for Unit 3 only. Centres will be able to input marks and upload samples on the same system and there will be no need to wait for key codes. More information will be shared in a September newsletter.
- Visit our Digital Resources website on the WJEC website to find a series of blended learning lessons/resources based on GCSE Welsh Literature Units 1-4.

GCE Welsh (First Language)

- GCE oral exam dates Summer 2025 Unit 1 and 4 assessments **24 March – 9 May 2025**.
- Visit the secure website to read the moderator's report on the work of your centre's Unit 2 in the Summer 2024 series.
- Unit 2 samples submission date (Summer Series 2025) together with relevant paperwork **15 May 2025**. In 2025, IAMIS will be used to upload non-exam assessment moderation samples assessed by the centre. Centres will be able to input marks and upload samples on the same system and there will be no need to wait for key codes. More information will be shared in a September newsletter.
- Visit our Digital Resources website on the WJEC website to find a series of blended learning lessons/resources based on GCE Units 1-6 Welsh First Language.

Entry Level

- Visit the secure website to read the moderator's report on the work of your centre's Units 2 and 3 in the Summer 2024 series.
- Unit 2 and 3 samples submission date (Summer Series 2025) together with relevant paperwork **5 May 2025**. In 2025, IAMIS will be used to upload non-exam assessment moderation samples assessed by the centre. Centres will be able to input marks and upload samples on the same system and there will be no need to wait for key codes. More information will be shared in a September circular.

Professional Learning

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 Examiner 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/assessment-feedback-package-2024-25). You can download the most recent Principal Examiner Report and register for FREE, online feedback events on our qualification page.

Entry Level

Join us in our live webinar: Feedback on Summer Assessments 2024 (FREE)

Online, 26 September 2024, 15:30-17:00

[Events for 26/09/2024 \(ticketsolve.com\)](https://www.ticketsolve.com)

GCSE Welsh Language

Join us in our live webinar: Feedback on Units 1 and 3 Summer Assessments 2024 (FREE)

Online, 3 October 2024, 15:30-17:00

[Events for 03/10/2024 \(ticketsolve.com\)](https://www.ticketsolve.com)

GCSE Welsh Literature

Join us in our live webinar: Feedback on Units 3 and 4 Summer Assessments 2024 (FREE)

Online, 17 October, 15:30-17:00

[Events for 17/10/2024 \(ticketsolve.com\)](https://ticketsolve.com)

GCE Welsh First Language

Join us in our live webinar: Feedback on Units 3 and 4 Summer Assessments 2024 (FREE)

Online, 24 October, 15:30-17:00

[Events for 24/10/2024 \(ticketsolve.com\)](https://ticketsolve.com)

GCSE Made for Wales. Ready for the World. GCSE Welsh: Language and Literature

We are excited to launch the new specification for GCSE Welsh: Language and Literature. Here are some key dates for your diaries including information on upcoming Professional Learning opportunities.

Key dates

Approved specifications published: 30 September 2024

Publication of Model Assessment Materials: 19 December 2024

Publication of Guidance for Teaching: 31 January 2025

DP Events and Materials

PL Type	Aims	Format and Notes
Your Guide to the new specification module Available from end of September 2024	<i>To support your understanding of the specification document.</i>	<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>Parent / Options evening flyers</p> <p>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</p> <p>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 Welsh: Language and Literature</p> <p>11 November 15:30-17:00</p> <p>25 November 15:30-17:00</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>

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