

Supporting Centre Determined Grades for WJEC GCSE Music

To help teachers determine grades for their GCSE students this summer, we thought it may be useful to highlight all the materials that WJEC has made available to centres.

Please find below a list of these materials, with descriptions and explanations, to help you with your grading decisions. Some of these resources are publicly available on the Music pages on the WJEC website but these may have been modified for students/parents. **Teachers should use the materials available on the [WJEC secure website](#)**, which can be found by clicking on “View Summer 2021 Information” in the WJEC area. If you do not have a user account, your examinations officer can set one up for you.

| TITLE OF DOCUMENT | DESCRIPTION | WHERE TO FIND IT |
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| Framework | <p>The subject and level framework covers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adaptations for 2021 • Key requirements to ensure progression • Past papers to be provided • Examples of learner evidence • Making judgements • Grade Descriptors - the grade descriptors will help identify how the range of evidence for a student aligns with the expected performance standards • Recording the decision | WJEC secure website |
| Assessment Materials | <p>These are past papers and their use is not compulsory, but they could form part of the range of evidence teachers could use to determine grades. These can be divided up and taken in lessons to preserve the integrity and validity of the assessment. Teachers are not expected to use every past paper for the qualification.</p> | WJEC secure website |
| Marking Schemes | <p>Marking schemes for each past paper have been provided. All student work should be assessed consistently, so we strongly advise applying WJEC mark schemes if you are making use of the past papers.</p> | WJEC secure website |
| Modified Papers | <p>Modified Past Papers (Large Print, Braille and Modified Language). These are created to ensure accessibility for learners who have approved access arrangements and require reasonable adjustments to access assessment materials, we have a comprehensive range of modified past papers.</p> <p><i>If any of the materials do not meet the needs of your learners with approved access arrangements and you have additional requirements, a request can be made via the link on the secure website.</i></p> | WJEC secure website |
| Exemplar | <p>To support your assessment of students' work and the differentiation of student performance, WJEC has provided a range of marked exemplar. The purpose of providing marked candidate work is to exemplify the standards and demonstrate how to apply the mark schemes for our qualifications. The exemplar, therefore, may not cover every series and every question but will offer a comprehensive exemplification of standards and consistent application of mark schemes.</p> | WJEC secure website |
| Grade Boundaries | <p>Grade boundaries from past examination series are available on the secure website.</p> | WJEC secure website |

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| Qualification Training and Guidance | Qualification Training PowerPoint – a holistic guide to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • gathering evidence • using assessment resources • assessing evidence | WJEC secure website |
| Centre Support document | A document that links to other, wider support materials that you might find helpful, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principals' reports for past examination series • Examination walk throughs • NEA standardising material • relevant CPD materials | WJEC secure website (InTraining and Guidance folder) |
| NEA Guidance (Training and Guidance folder) | This document provides further subject specific guidance on assessing NEA in 2021 and information on the importance of NEA and its contribution to a learner's final grade. Confirmation of recent changes to NEA and adaptations for 2021 is included. | WJEC secure website |
| Historic Attainment Data | This link takes you to the item level data from previous WJEC examination series. The data provide a detailed analysis of the performance of candidates on each item (question or part question) that can be used for comparing performance. If you are using WJEC past papers to generate evidence as part of your grading decisions, this information can be helpful in comparison to your students' outcomes with those who sat the examination in that series. | WJEC secure website |