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LEARNER GUIDE: GCSE ADAPTATIONS 2022

Everything you need to know

Remember - your exams and non-examination assessments will take place as normal in Summer 2022 - but there will be some changes, or 'adaptations', to account for lost teaching and learning time.

For some subjects, you will also have access to 'Advance Information,' to support your revision.

Your school or college will know all about the adaptations and Advance Information for your subjects – if you're unsure about anything, just ask your teacher and they'll let you know everything you need to know.

You can also access further information in our Adaptations [guides for teachers](#).

What's changing: WJEC GCSE adaptations

Subject	Summary of adaptations for January 2022 and Summer 2022*
Art and Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learners produce individual Portfolio only (Unit 1)• Removal of Externally Set Assignment (Unit 2)
Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduction in content to be studied across qualification• Reduction in assessment (Unit 2). Learners answer questions on one case study and corresponding set of questions rather than the usual two
Computer Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of NEA (Unit 3)
Design and Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduction in content to be studied (Unit 1)• Accept a model/mock-up instead of the finished product for the NEA and removal of the requirement to 'Evaluate a prototype's fitness for purpose' (Unit 2)
Drama	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduction in the length of performances and reduced design requirements (Unit 1 and Unit 2)• Advance notice of set text extract and the topic area for the wider knowledge question to be assessed in the exam (Unit 3)
English Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of Oracy Task 2: Responding and Interacting (Group discussion) (Unit 1)• Reduction in types of writing required (Unit 2)• Optionality in written assessments (Unit 3)
English Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learners complete NEA (Unit 3) and sit one other unit of their choice (either Unit 1 or Unit 2)
Food and Nutrition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of NEA Task 1 (Unit 2)
French / German / Spanish	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of Speaking Task 2 (photo card discussion) (Unit 1)• Advance notice of the sub-sub themes covered in the listening examination (Unit 2)• Reduction in the number of sub-sub-themes to be assessed (Unit 1 and Unit 4 only)• Removal of the translation into French/German/Spanish (Unit 4)

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Subject	Summary of adaptations for January 2022 and Summer 2022*
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction in content to be studied in examined units (Unit 1 and Unit 2) • Reduction in fieldwork requirements. Learners would be expected to undertake one fieldwork enquiry instead of the usual two (Unit 3)
Health and Social Care and Child Care (Single Award)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of NEA Task 2 (Unit 2)
Health and Social Care and Child Care (Double Award)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of assessment (Unit 1) • Removal of NEA Task 2 (Unit 2) • Reduction in NEA requirements (Unit 4)
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learners complete NEA (Unit 4) and sit two other units of their choice (either Unit 1 and Unit 2, or Unit 1 and Unit 3 or Unit 2 and Unit 3)
ICT (Short Course)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction in content to be studied (Unit 1)
ICT (Single Award)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of assessment (Unit 1)
Mathematics and Mathematics Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction in content to be studied across the qualifications
Media Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optionality within assessment (Unit 2) • Reduction in NEA requirements (Unit 3)
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction in NEA Performance lengths. Ensemble is optional rather than compulsory (Unit 1) • Reduction in NEA Composing requirements – one composition instead of the usual two, and removal of the evaluation (Unit 2)
Physical Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction in NEA requirements – two activities instead of three and removal of the personal fitness programme (Unit 2)
Physical Education (Short Course)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction in NEA requirements – one activity instead of two (Unit 2)
Religious Studies (including Short Course)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optionality within all units. Learners are assessed on three out of four themes in each unit.

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Biology or Chemistry or Physics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of assessment (Unit 1)• Removal of practical assessment (Unit 3)
Science (Double Award)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of assessments (Units 1, 2 and 3)• Removal of practical assessment (Unit 7)
Applied Science (Double Award)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of assessments (Units 1 and 2)• Removal of practical assessment (Unit 5)
Applied Science (Single Award)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of assessment (Unit 1)• Removal of practical assessment (Unit 4)
Welsh Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of Oracy Task 2: Response and Interaction (Group discussion) (Unit 1)• Optionality in written assessments (Unit 2 and Unit 3)
Welsh Literature	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learners sit either Unit 1 or Unit 2 (all learners sit Unit 3 and Unit 4)
Welsh Second Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learners sit either Unit 1 or Unit 2 (all learners sit Unit 3 and Unit 4)

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Advance Information – supporting your revision

Advance Information provides the focus of the content for the Summer 2022 exams – you can use the information to plan and prepare your revision. [Find everything you need to know](#).

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