

Eduqas Geology Newsletter GCSE January 2022

Key Dates

	Date
Component 1	Thursday 19 th May 2022
Component 2	Friday 10 th June 2022
GCSE results day	Thursday 25 th August 2022

Advance Information for GCSE Geology examinations in 2022

You will be provided with advance information concerning the exams in summer 2022. This is currently due to be published by 7th February.

Adaptations to the assessments in 2022

The adaptations that will apply to the GCSE assessments in summer 2022 are outlined under the 'Summer 2022 Adaptations' section on the Eduqas GCSE Geology webpage

Fieldwork - The requirement that centres have given learners the opportunity to undertake 2 mandatory days of fieldwork at GCSE has been removed. You should still try and meet the fieldwork requirements if you can. The requirements can also be achieved in a local or lab setting rather than out on location. If you are unable to meet the fieldwork requirements, you still need to teach the relevant techniques to your learners as they will still be expected to answer questions about these in the examinations. The changes detailed above apply to candidates entering for the summer 2022 series only. Centres are not required to complete the Fieldwork Statement for candidates entering for GCSE Geology in summer 2022.

Practical work - Centres will be allowed to deliver practical work in GCSE Geology by demonstration. Centres should continue to make available hands-on practical activities for their students wherever possible. You still need to teach the relevant practical techniques to your learners as they will still be expected to answer questions about these in the examinations. This applies to candidates entering for the summer 2022 examination series only.

Autumn exam papers and mark schemes

Autumn 2020 series GCSE Geology exam papers and mark schemes are available on the secure website. These exam papers will be published on the Eduqas website on 18th January 2022. There are no Autumn 2021 Geology exam papers.

New Resources available on the Eduqas Geology website

Knowledge Organisers: A bank of knowledge organisers to support the learning of GCSE Geology are being written and will become available on the website later in the academic year. These could be used for revision or as a starting point for creating your own knowledge organisers.

Exam Walk Throughs: These are Powerpoint presentations, with a commentary, offering candidates some thoughts on how to answer the questions within the Eduqas GCSE Components. An Exam Walk Through for GCSE Component 1 2019 is now available on the website, to add to that for the sample GCSE Component 2 exam. Candidates can pause the presentations, answer the questions and then hear comments reflecting on answers and the mark scheme. You can view these at the link [GCSE Geology exam walk throughs](#)

Materials from GCSE/A level CPD

The Autumn 2021 Online Professional Learning presentation is on the WJEC secure website under 'CPD'. The focus of this training is the use of video in teaching geology, and teaching mapwork.

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