WJEC Science
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1. GCSE Science suite

What’s new?

The new WJEC GCSE Science suite is now in its first year of teaching. All of the WJEC Science web pages have been updated so there are web pages for all legacy and new qualifications. Take a look now.

Key points to note on the web page for each of the qualifications in the suite the following is available:

- Guidance for teaching
- Detailed teacher/technician guidance sheets for the specified practical work
- Pupil worksheets for the specified practical work
- A glossary of terms for the practical work
- Welsh terminology lists
- New interactive resources and an ebook for Applied Science will be available soon.

The Question Bank for GCSE Science is now available.

Dates for your diary

The Summer 2017 examinations timetable has now been finalised. The key dates are now available on the WJEC website.

Resources

We are continually developing a wide range of resources to support you in the delivery of our qualifications.

Download Digital Resources
Download all course materials

Why not bookmark our qualifications page to keep up to date with new resources?

You can also take a look at our Online Exam Review on the WJEC website. Our OER is an innovative, interactive tool designed to help teachers improve standards in the classroom.
Teacher Training
We are holding a series of training courses to assist you in the delivery of our GCSE Science qualifications.

Our Next Steps full day courses will recap the key reforms to the specifications and consider approaches to teaching key elements of the specifications using resources available.

If any course dates have closed for online bookings or are fully booked, please email our dedicated CPD team at cpd@wjec.co.uk for assistance.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Are all legacy GCSE Science qualifications available in Summer 2017?
   Yes. All units will be available in Summer 2017. There are no changes to the entry rules or units available from previous series.

2. Will legacy GCSE Science examinations be available in January 2017?
   Yes. There is no change from the units offered in previous January series.

3. When will examinations for the new specifications be available for the first time?
   Some units will be available in Summer 2017 and all units will be available in Summer 2018.

2. Examiner and Moderator Vacancies
We continue to recruit examiners and moderators for all our subjects. If you are interested in examining for us please visit the website for further details and to apply.

Examining and moderating are rewarding careers offering a unique opportunity to gain a greater understanding of your subject. The work is flexible and can be done in your own time alongside your current teaching position.

Where there are no vacancies, your application will be stored and referred to as and when vacancies become available.

3. Secure Website
The WJEC Secure Website provides access to a range of resources including circulars, past papers and marking schemes. The Secure Website can be accessed by authorised staff at centres that work with WJEC.
If your centre is not registered, please email securewebsite@wjec.co.uk stating centre number, centre name, contact name and contact email address.

4. Subscribe
Encourage your colleagues to sign up for updates and be kept informed of the latest developments and important information. Visit our website to subscribe.

5. Useful Contacts
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