

Y10 Mock Examinations 2026

Expectations and Routines



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Safe



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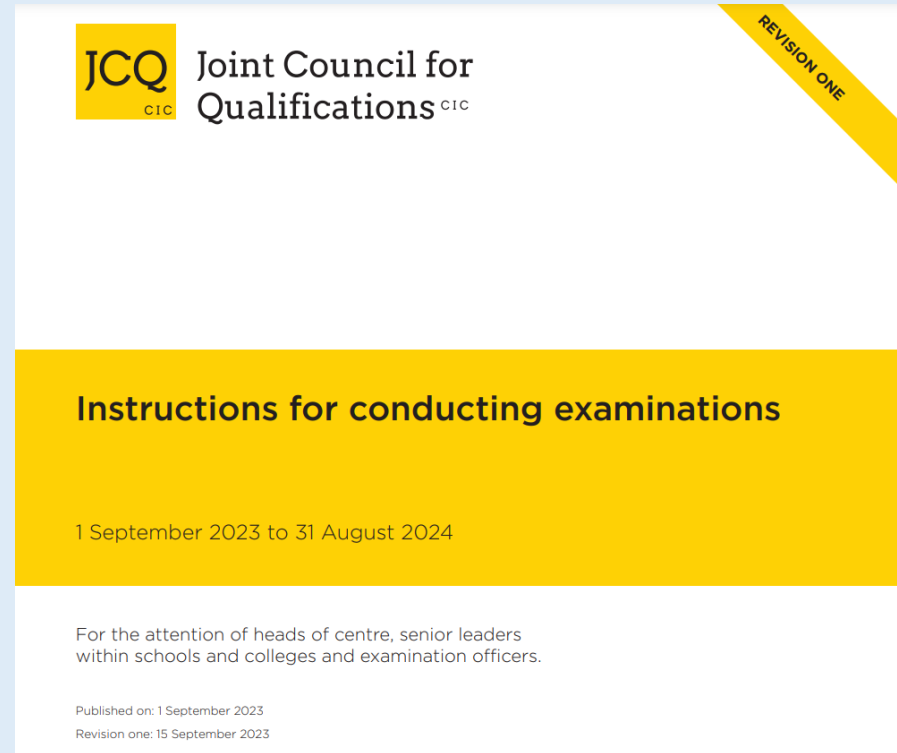


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All of the guidance and advice in today's assembly is from JCQ

JCQ

- Set the rules
- Receive all reports of malpractice (e.g. a student speaks during the exam, a phone is present in the exam room)
- Make decisions regarding the sanction (e.g. the paper is disallowed)
- Inspect the school and check that rules are being followed



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- You are independent and give yourself the best chance of success by **being prepared** for each exam.
- You understand the rules and regulations and are **ready** for the rigor of those in final exams.



- You **respect that there are other students** around you whose futures depend on how well they do. You do not affect others with your actions.



- **You do not jeopardise your result** (and therefore future) through malpractice.



Why do we do mock exams in Year 10?

- To familiarise you with the exam hall and arrangements.
- To give you an indication of your most likely outcomes, to inform college choices in Year 11.
- To help your teachers to plan your Year 11 studies.



Exam timetable

- Exams will run from **Wednesday 17th June – Friday 26th June.**
- You will attend your normal timetabled lessons, when you are not in your mock exam.
- You will all receive a personalised timetable with your seat number and exams listed on it.

Date	Period 1 - 8.55		Break 10.55	Period 3 - 11.00	Lunch 12.10 - 12.55	Official exams	
	Period 2 - 8.55	Period 4 - 12.50				Period 5 - 12.50	
Mon 16 Jun Week A	GCSE 8464/02 & 2hr Triple Physics Paper 2 F & H 3h 45m GCSE 8464/02F & 2hr Combined Science: Trilogy Physics Paper 2 F & H 3h 15m						
Tue 17 Jun Week A	GCSE 8408/01 Spanish Paper 4 Writing F 3h GCSE 8408/01H Spanish Paper 4 Writing H 3h 15m - 56					GCSE 5046/04-5 Food Preparation & Nutrition Component 1 1hr 45m - 85	
Wed 18 Jun Week A						Level 1/2 3026/02 Further mathematics Paper 2 1h 45m - 38	
Thurs 19 Jun Week A	GCSE English Literature Paper 2 (Full cohort - 200) 2hr 15m (2hr 40m CT) <i>Enter & 8.00am start - students to straight to break and extra time students have a separate break at start of P2 and then return to lesson</i>			D		(Partial Cohort - All History students) GCSE History 11 Medicine (104/041 & 106/041, 302/041, 303/041) 1hr 30m 12.50pm start - students leave for the day	
Fri 20 Jun Week A	Option D (Partial cohort - in lessons 080/041, 082/041) GCSE Drama (080/041) 1hr GCSE Food (080/041 & 2) 1hr WJEC Engineering (080/041 & 2) 1hr 30m GCSE Geography Paper 2 (080/041) 1hr 30m GCSE German Reading & Listening (080/041 & 2) F - 1hr 20m / H - 1hr 45m GCSE Art (080/041) 2hrs <i>9am start - 8.15am, Food return to P2 lessons Engineering & German Foundation students to extended break Remainder students to lunch</i>			R		GCSE Maths Paper 1 (Full Cohort - 200) Non-calculator 1h 30m 12.50pm start - students leave for the day	
Mon 23 Jun Week B	GCSE English Language Paper 1 - Writing section (Full cohort - 200) 50m Q7 1hr 30m <i>8.00am start - students to return to P2 (Sci and Maths lessons)</i>			A		GCSE Science Paper 2 (Biology) (Full Cohort - 200) Combined Trilogy - 3h 15m Triple - 1h 45m 12.50pm start - students leave for the day	
Tue 24 Jun Week B	GCSE Maths Paper 2 (Full Cohort - 200) Calculator 1h 30m <i>9am start - students to break</i>			F		GCSE Science Paper 2 (Chemistry) (Full Cohort - 200) Combined Trilogy 1h 15m Triple 1h 45m 12.50pm start - students leave for the day	
Wed 25 Jun Week B	GCSE Maths Paper 3 (Full Cohort - 200) Calculator 1h 30m <i>9am start - students to break</i>			T		GCSE Science Paper 2 (Physics) (Full Cohort - 200) Combined Trilogy 1h 15m Triple 1h 45m 12.50pm start - students leave for the day	
Thurs 26 Jun Week B	Option B (Partial cohort - in lessons 086/041, 108/041 & 2, 109/041, 109/042) GCSE PE (108/041 & 2) 1hr GCSE Computer Science (086/041) 1hr 30m GCSE Business (108/041) 1hr 45m GCSE Geography Paper 2 (086/041) 1hr 30m <i>9am start - PE students go to PE - teachers to collect Remaining students to extended break</i>					(Partial Cohort - All French and Spanish students - 225) GCSE Spanish Writing (086/041 & 2) F - 1hr / H - 1hr 15m GCSE German Writing (108/041 & 2) F - 1hr / H - 1hr 15m 11.30am start - Foundation students to PE Eng/Sci higher students to PE (Admin) Eng/Sci	
Fri 27 Jun Week B	Option A (Partial Cohort - in lessons 088/041, 088/041 & 2) GCSE Food (108/041) 1hr GCSE Spanish Reading & Listening (088/041 & 2) F - 1hr 20m / H - 1hr 45m GCSE Business (108/041) 1hr 45m GCSE Geography Paper 2 (088/041) 1hr 30m GCSE Art (088/041) 2hrs <i>9am start - Food students go to Food Spanish Foundation students go to Spanish Remaining student to break</i>					Option C (Partial cohort - in lessons 080/041, 080/041, 080/041, 080/041) GCSE Food (080/041) 1hr WJEC Engineering (080/041) 1hr 30m GCSE PE (108/041) 1hr 45m GCSE Business - Theme 1 (080/041) 1hr 45m GCSE Geography - Paper 2 (080/041) 1hr 30m BTC Music (108/041) 2hrs 12.50pm start Food students return to Option C Remaining students leave for the day	



Wednesday 17th June

Morning Exam/s

All students

Bags in lockers: by 8:30

Start leaving PDT for the exam hall: 8:45

Exam Start time: 9:00

Exam:

Maths Paper 1 (non-calculator)
(1hr 30mins)

After the morning exam today go to:

Period 2

Afternoon Exam/s

Engineering students only

Leave lunch time: 12:50

Exam Start time: 1pm

Exam:

Engineering
1hr 30 mins

After this exam go to:

Students can go home for the day.



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General Exam Routines

- Prepare your equipment at home
- Check the exams board when you arrive at school
- make sure all items are away in lockers
- know the start time and
- your seat*

Before the
exam



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Seating plans

You will sit in the same seat for all of your exams, for all subjects.





General Exam Routines

- Enter the exam in silence

Enter the
exam

- You **must** sit in your allocated seat – there can be no discussion about this at the start of an exam or during an exam



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Lockers

- You will all need a locker for these exams and Year 11.
- If you don't have a locker, please let your Form Tutor know by the end of this week.
- Form Tutors will then share this information with us and lockers will be assigned (when Year 11 leave).





General Exam Routines

Bags

- Bags are not allowed in the hall
- You will take them to **your locker** before each exam
- You may not return to your bag during the exam



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General Exam Routines

- Put your equipment on the desk
- You cannot open your exam
- You cannot write on your exam (even your name)
- You cannot communicate
- Wait for invigilator instructions before you start writing

Start

Communication includes: talking, whispering, making noises, whistling, catching a student's eye, turning around or to the side, hand gestures



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General Exam Routines

The
paper

- Ensure you have written your name, candidate and centre numbers on your paper at the start of the exam when told to do so
- Read the instructions on the front page of the exam
- Do not deface (write, etch, graffiti, doodle) on the exam desk – this is contrary to exam regulations
- You will be given a 5-minute warning before the end of your exam
- Follow all instructions given by the exams staff



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What do I need?

- **Transparent** pencil case (or loose equipment)
- **Black** ball point pen/biro (+ spare)
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Eraser
- Sharpener
- **Scientific calculator**
- Geometry set (maths exam)

There will be no spare scientific or other calculators for any of your exams. It is vital you have this equipment with you. If you are concerned about this, please see Ms Campbell or Mrs Hassall, before the exam season begins (today).

Exams that need a calculator

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Business
- Engineering
- Further Maths (Paper 2)
- Geography
- Maths (Paper 2 & Paper 3)

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Subject	Materials	Not allowed
Biology Paper 1	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler and scientific calculator	
Biology Paper 2	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler and scientific calculator	
Business Paper 1	Black pen x 2, pencil, highlighter, calculator	
Business Paper 2	Black pen x 2, pencil, highlighter, calculator	
Chemistry Paper 1	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler and scientific calculator	
Chemistry Paper 2	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler and scientific calculator	
Computer Science Paper 1	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler, sharpener, highlighter	No Calculator
Computer Science Paper 2	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler, sharpener, highlighter	No Calculator
Engineering	Black pen x 2, pencil, highlighter, ruler and calculator	
English Language Paper 1	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
English Language Paper 2	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
English Literature Paper 1	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
English Literature Paper 2	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
Food	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
French - all papers	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
Further Maths Paper 1	Black pen x 2, mathematical instruments	No Calculator
Further Maths Paper 2	Black pen x 2, mathematical instruments, and calculator	
Geography Paper 1	Black pen x 2, pencil, rubber, ruler, highlighter, calculator	
Geography Paper 2	Black pen x 2, pencil, rubber, ruler, highlighter, calculator	
Geography Paper 3	Black pen x 2, pencil, rubber, ruler, highlighter, calculator	
Health & Social Care	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
History Paper 1 - 11 Medicine	Black pen x 2, pencil, highlighter	
History Paper 2 - B4 Elizabeth & P3 American West	Black pen x 2, pencil, highlighter	
History Paper 3 - 31 Germany	Black pen x 2, pencil, highlighter	
Imedia	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
Maths Paper 1	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler, protractor, compass, eraser	No Calculator
Maths Paper 2	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler, protractor, compass, eraser, scientific calculator	
Maths Paper 3	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler, protractor, compass, eraser, scientific calculator	
Physical Education Paper 1	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
Physical Education Paper 2	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
Physics Paper 1	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler and scientific calculator	
Physics Paper 2	Black pen x 2, pencil, ruler, protractor and scientific calculator	
Polish - all papers	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
Religious Education Paper 1	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
Religious Education Paper 2	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
Spanish - all papers	Black pen x 2, highlighter	
Sport Studies	Black pen x 2, highlighter	





Water bottles

- Water bottles must be see-through. No markings (logos, volume etc) on reusable bottles
- No labels: please remove beforehand or, preferably, bring a reusable water bottle.





Mobile Phones

No phones, smartwatches or ear buds are allowed on your person in the exam hall.

If you do have a phone in the exam room, this will result in you being reported to the national exam regulator and could result in a failure for that exam and/or other exams you take this summer.



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Not allowed in the room



- Mobile phone, smart watch, or smart glasses
- Any other internet enabled device
- Ear buds/headphones – you must show us on entry
- Any other wristwatch or jewellery
- Food or drink, other than a bottle of water (no label)
- Any notes/books
- Any other item that is not on the equipment list for the exam
- Bag/coat
- Writing on your hand/arm



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General Exam Routines

End

- At the end of the examination, the exam lead will ask you to stop writing. You must do this.
- Your papers will be collected, one by one
- **Remain in your seat, silent, not communicating** in any way with other students or staff
- You will be dismissed row by row.
- **Leave silently**
- Other students may still be completing exams



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Respect all staff

Exam invigilators and other school staff are here to help and support you.

It is their job to remind you of the exam regulations and our expectations.

Please allow them to do their job and follow their instructions first time of asking.



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Please be **respectful** of the students who are sitting mock exams and all members of staff who will be supporting a **purposeful, calm learning environment**.

All Students



- Please be **silent around the main hall**, library and any other room with an 'Exams in Progress sign'.
At lunch, break and changeover the **doors** near the main hall from both ends may be **closed** with 'Exams in progress signs in place'.
Please **find a different route to your next lesson** (via top deck or outside of the building).
- Please **respect** the **staff** who are stood at doors to ensure the exam area remains silent.
- Please take responsibility for your own behaviour in the corridors, go **calmly** with **pace** and **purpose** to all lessons





Exam invigilators will be completing a tracker to note down any malpractice.

Letters will be sent home to all students after all of the exams are finished.

Let's make sure that every letter is a positive one!



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Ask for Help

There are no 'silly questions'! Please ask and seek support.

- Ms Campbell (Exams Manager) – on the main deck next to Ms Hague's office
- Mrs Hassall (SLT Exams Lead)
- Mr Williams/Mrs Kubon
- Your form tutor
- Any member of the leadership team
- Your class teacher (for subject-specific questions)

We do this because we care – be the best that you can be.