

Business (IBC)

Exam board and specification: Edexcel GCSE Business 2017 course.

Exam information:

GCSE business is assessed through two written papers, both worth 50% of the course. These will be externally assessed and they are worth 90 marks, each lasting 90 minutes.

Topics taught

	Y9	Y10	Y11
Autumn ½ term 1	Spotting business opportunities	Financial plans	Effective financial management
Autumn ½ term 2	Spotting business opportunities	Understanding the economic context	Meeting customer needs
Spring ½ term 1	Showing enterprise	Revision and Theme 1 testing	Production Methods
Spring ½ term 2	Business plans	Marketing	Revision and Theme 2 testing
Summer ½ term 1	Effective start ups	Effective people management	Revision
Summer ½ term 2	Putting a business idea in practice	The wider world affecting business	

How will students' progress be assessed throughout the course?

Students' progress will be measured through multiple choice topic tests to identify weakness in topic knowledge and through the answering of extended exam questions related to case studies. Students will also complete numerous mock exams and will have a focus on exam techniques in lesson.

What homework will students expect?

Students will be given a range of different tasks relevant to the topic covered. In Year 9 these will be activity or research based and in Year 10 & 11 these tasks will be exam questions and relate to a case study.