



GCSE ICT

Student Guide

Exam Board:

AQA

What will I study in ICT GCSE?

ICT GCSE consists for two pieces of coursework. In year 10 you will produce a piece of coursework on controlling, measuring and modelling. Then in year 11 the coursework will be based on communicating and handling information. Then at the end of year 11 you will have one exam based on ICT theory.

What will the ICT GCSE lessons be like?

Much of your time will be spent at a computer. During coursework periods the majority of the lessons will involve you working independently on your own piece of coursework. During theory lessons you will be given a variety of tasks to widen your knowledge on the use of ICT both in everyday lives and in places of work.

How is the course assessed?

ICT GCSE is **60% coursework** and **40% written exam**.



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How will I be assessed in lessons?

As the course is 60% coursework you will constantly be given short deadlines and receive feedback on your work during the coursework periods. Theory sessions will be interactive tasks to widen your knowledge of the uses of ICT.

Why should I study ICT GCSE?

ICT GCSE encourages the investigation and study of ICT in a variety of contexts, for example home, school, recreation, community, business and industry. In these contexts, you are given opportunities to acquire competence, capability and critical skills through the creation, implementation, use and evaluation of a range of ICT systems.

What course/career can ICT GCSE lead on to?

ICT GCSE allows candidates to progress to the GCE Advanced specification in Information and Communication Technology, Advanced Vocational Certificate of Education ICT or provides a coherent, satisfying and worthwhile course of study for students who do not progress further in the subject.

What are the results like in ICT GCSE?

ICT GCSE has outstanding results, last year the results were 100% A* - C.