



Norton College

**Year 11
Information Evening
Booklet**

September 2021



English

Course title: GCSE English Language; GCSE English Literature (students study BOTH qualifications)

Examination board: AQA

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 100%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 0%

Number and length of examinations: GCSE English Language – 2 examinations: 1 hour 45 minutes each; GCSE English Literature – 2 examinations: one is 1 hour 45 minutes and the other is 2 hours 15 minutes.

Grading: 9-1



Mathematics

Course title: GCSE Mathematics

Examination board: OCR

Tiered/untiered: Two tiers – Higher and Foundation level

Proportion assessed by examination: 100%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 0%

Number and length of examinations: 3 examinations: 1 hour 30 minutes each
Paper 2 is non-calculator, Papers 1 and 3 are calculator (regardless of tier)

Grading: 9-1



Science

Course title: GCSE Combined Science: Trilogy (Dual Science – two GCSEs, combining elements of Biology, Chemistry and Physics)

Examination board: AQA

Tiered/untiered: Two tiers – Higher and Foundation level

Proportion assessed by examination: 100%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 0%

Number and length of examinations: 6 examinations (at both tiers): 1 hour 15 minutes each (2x Biology, 2x Chemistry & 2x Physics)

Grading: 9-1



Art & Design

Course title: GCSE Fine Art

Examination board: AQA

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 0%

Proportion assessed by controlled assessment or coursework: 40% controlled assessment and 60% coursework

Number and length of examinations: Controlled assessment is approximately 12 weeks long, with a 10 hour timed controlled assessment examination that runs over multiple sessions. Some coursework is completed in Year 10.

Grading: 9-1



Business

Course title: GCSE Business

Examination board: AQA

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 100%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 0%

Number and length of examinations: 2 examinations: 1 hour 45 minutes each

Grading: 9-1



Computing

Course title: GCSE Computer Science

Examination board: OCR

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 100%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 0% - programming project completed but not assessed.

Number and length of examinations: 2 examinations: 1 hour 30 minutes each

Grading: 9-1



Performing Arts (Drama)

Course title: BTEC Level 1 and 2 Tech Award in Performing Arts

Examination board: Pearson

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 40%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 60%

Number and length of examinations: Practical Set Task

Grading: Level 1 Pass to Level 2 Distinction (*)



Hospitality and Catering

Course title: Hospitality and Catering Level 1/Level 2 Award

Examination board: WJEC

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 40%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 60%

Number and length of examinations: 1 examination: 1 hour 30 minutes

Grading: Level 1 Pass to Level 2 Distinction (*)



IT

Course title: Cambridge National Certificate in Information Technologies

Examination board: OCR

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 50%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 50%

Number and length of examinations: 1 examination: 1 hour 45 minutes

Grading: Level 1 Pass to Level 2 Distinction (*)



History

Course title: GCSE History

Examination board: EdExcel

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 100%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 0%

Number and length of examinations: 3 examinations: 1x 1 hour 15 minutes, 1x 1 hour 45 minutes, 1x 1 hour 20 minutes

Grading: 9-1



Geography

Course title: GCSE Geography

Examination board: EdExcel (Spec B)

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 100%

Proportion assessed by controlled assessment or coursework: 0%

Number and length of examinations: 3 examinations: 3x 1 hour 30 minutes

Grading: 9-1



MFL

Course title: GCSE French and Spanish (the same assessment format applies to both subjects)

Examination board: AQA

Tiered/untiered: Two tiers – Higher and Foundation level

Proportion assessed by examination: 100%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 0%

Number and length of examinations:

Foundation tier – 4 examinations (Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking)
1 x 35 minutes, 1 x 45 minutes and 1 x 60 minutes and 1x 7-9 minutes

Higher tier – 4 examinations (Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking)
1 x 45 minutes, 1 x 1 hour and 1 x 1 hour 20 minutes and 1x 10-12 minutes

Grading: 9-1



Music

Course title: BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Tech Award in Music Practice

Examination board: Pearson

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 40%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 60%

Number and length of examinations: Practical Set Task

Grading: Level 1 Pass to Level 2 Distinction (*)



Sport

Course title: Cambridge National Certificate in Sport Science

Examination board: OCR

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 25%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 75%

Number and length of examinations: 1 examination: 1 hour

Grading: Level 1 Pass to Level 2 Distinction (*)



Media

Course Title: BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Tech Award in Creative Media

Examination Board: Pearson

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 40%

Proportion assessed by non-examined assessment (NEA): 60%

Number and length of examinations: Practical Set Task

Grading: Level 1 Pass to Level 2 Distinction (*)



Health and Social Care

Course Title: BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Tech Award in Health and Social Care

Examination board: Pearson

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 40%

Proportion assessed by controlled assessment or coursework: 60%

Number and length of examinations: 1 examination: 2 hours

Grading: Level 1 Pass to Level 2 Distinction (*)



Photography

Course Title: GCSE Art and Design: Photography

Examination board: AQA

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 0%

Proportion assessed by controlled assessment or coursework: 100%

Number and length of examinations: Controlled assessment is approximately 12 weeks long, with a 10-hour timed controlled assessment examination that runs over multiple sessions. Some coursework is completed in Year 10.

Grading: 9-1



Economics

Course Title: GCSE Economics

Examination board: OCR

Tiered/untiered: Untiered

Proportion assessed by examination: 100%

Proportion assessed by controlled assessment or coursework: 0%

Number and length of examinations: 2 examinations: 2x 1 hour 30 minutes.

Grading: 9-1

Please note that further information about specifications and course content is available via the 'Curriculum Information' tab on the school website.

New GCSE Grading Structure

NEW GCSE GRADING STRUCTURE	PREVIOUS GRADING STRUCTURE
9	A*
8	
7	A
6	B
5	
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
	G
U	U

GOOD PASS (DfE)
5 and above = top of C and above

AWARDING
4 and above = bottom of C and above

Recommended Support and Revision Resources

English	<p><u>GCSE English Language</u></p> <p>Revise AQA GCSE (9-1) English Language Revision Workbook: for the 9-1 exams ISBN 978-1447987833</p> <p>Revise AQA GCSE (9-1) English Language Model Answer Workbook ISBN 978-1292230221</p> <p>Revise AQA GCSE (9-1) English Language Practice Papers Plus ISBN 978-1292213255</p> <p><u>GCSE English Literature</u></p> <p>Grade 9-1 GCSE English Text Guide – An Inspector Calls. ISBN 9781841461151</p> <p>Grade 9-1 GCSE English Shakespeare Text Guide – Macbeth. ISBN 9781841461168</p> <p>GCSE English Literature AQA Poetry Guide: Power & Conflict Anthology – for the Grade 9-1 course. ISBN 9781782943617</p> <p>Grade 9-1 GCSE English Text Guide – A Christmas Carol. ISBN 9781782943099</p> <p>Grade 9-1 GCSE English Text Guide – Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde. ISBN 9781782943082</p>
Maths	<p>Website: MathsWatch https://vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle/</p> <p>Website: Corbett maths https://corbettmaths.com/</p>
Science	<p>CGP GCSE Combined science For AQA (Grade 9-1) Foundation ISBN- 978 1 78294 560 4 CGP GCSE Combined science For AQA (Grade 9-1) Higher ISBN- 978 1 78294 559 8</p>
Geography	<p>GCSE 9-1 Geography Edexcel B Revision Guide. ISBN 978-0198436232 GCSE Geography Edexcel B Student Book Paperback. ISBN: 978-0198366577</p>
History	<p>Spartacus educational https://spartacus-educational.com/ BBC bitesize https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zw4bv4j Historical Association https://www.history.org.uk/ History Extra https://www.historyextra.com/ BBC Teach https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks3-ks4-1066/zm3m382</p>
French	<p>CGP: New GCSE French AQA Revision Guide - for the Grade 9-1 Course (with Online Edition) ISBN: 978 1 78294 537 6</p> <p>CGP: New GCSE French AQA Exam Practice Workbook - for the Grade 9-1 Course (includes Answers) ISBN: 978 1 78294 538 3</p> <p>Website: www.quizlet.com / Seneca learning (Y10 students will all have some of their HL set via this) / www.duolingo.com / https://www.language-gym.com/</p>
Spanish	<p>New GCSE Spanish AQA Revision Guide - for the Grade 9-1 Course (with Online Edition) ISBN: 978 1 78294 546 8</p> <p>New GCSE Spanish AQA Exam Practice Workbook - for the Grade 9-1 Course (includes Answers) ISBN: 978 1 78294 547 5</p> <p>Website: www.quizlet.com / Seneca learning (Y10 students will all have some of their HL set via this) / www.duolingo.com / https://www.language-gym.com/</p>

Hospitality and Catering	My Revision Notes: WJEC Level 1/2 Vocational Award in Hospitality and Catering. ISBN: 9781510473331
Sport	My Revision Notes: Cambridge National Level 1/2 Sport Science. ISBN: 9781510478572
Computer Science	GCSE Computer Science OCR Complete Revision & Practice - for exams in 2021. ISBN: 9781782948605 GCSE Computer Science OCR Exam Practice Workbook - for exams in 2021. ISBN: 9781782946038 Website: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFkvVPXYhAdAgQAIX0pIRKQ/videos Website: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0HzEBLIJxlrwBAHJ5S9JQg Website: https://compsci.homelearning.outwood.com/j276 Website: https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse/computer-science-j276-from-2016/ Website: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zmtchbk
IT	Cambridge National Level 1 and 2 Certificate in Information Technologies. ISBN: 9781510423282 Website: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL04uZ7242_M6-bJHYBn2UO5tGq-0LFclv
Business	AQA GCSE (9-1) Business Calculation Practice Book. SKU: 01-4130-30243-01 AQA GCSE (9-1) Business Knowledge Book. SKU: 01-4130-30223-01. CGP: GCSE Business AQA Revision Guide – for the Grade 9-1 course. ISBN: 9781782946892. CGP: GCSE Business AQA Exam Practice Workbook - for the Grade 9-1 Course (includes Answers) ISBN: 9781782946922 CGP: New Grade 9-1 GCSE Business AQA Revision Question Cards
Art	Visiting local galleries: York Art Gallery and The Yorkshire Sculpture Park. Other helpful websites include www.pinteret.com and www.art2day.com . www.artchive.com - for historical artists and art movements www.studentartguide.com - for up-to-date references of coursework and student samples, including A Level. www.peterrandall-page.com www.antonygormley.com AQA GCSE Art & Design Student Handbook – ISBN 10: 1408503204 / ISBN 13: 9781408503201
Students are also encouraged to register with Seneca Learning, a free website that provides information and tutorials across a range of subjects. Please visit https://senecalearning.com/ for more information.	