BTEC Level 3 Nationals in Sport and Exercise Science
Get ready for external assessment

Your quick-reference support guide for teachers and tutors
Why have we created this guide?

We have created this easy-to-use guide to bring together details of all the support materials and key information you can use to help prepare your learners for the external assessments in the Sport and Exercise Science sector, provided at a unit level. You may need your Edexcel Online login details in order to access some of the materials which are listed in the following pages.

We have also included within this guide a list of any changes from previous assessment windows which you should be aware of and included details of forthcoming support.

We would also suggest that you refer to the Instructions for Conducting External Assessments document. This guide provides you with the information you need to carry out external assessments for BTEC Nationals. It takes you through: what you need to do; who’s responsible at each stage and; gives additional advice and guidance around best practice. This document can be found here.
What does this guide provide?

This short guide presents all information below at unit level:

• a breakdown of our existing support

• an overview of what additional support is coming up

• an offer to purchase revision guides and workbooks at a discounted rate (limited time available)*

• a list of external assessment dates for summer 2018

• Key changes to be aware of

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Choose your unit...

Unit 1
Sport and Exercise Physiology

Unit 2
Functional Anatomy

Unit 3
Applied Sport and Exercise Psychology

Unit 13
Nutrition for Sport and Exercise Performance
Unit 1: Sport and Exercise Physiology
(click on each link to access materials)

Sample assessment support

Sample Assessment Material
(for learners to sit as mocks)

Sample Marked Learner Work
(to see how mark schemes are applied)

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- Additional Sample Marked Learner Work from January 2018 series
- Rich Feedback report at both centre level and learner level
- Access to Scripts service, click here

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Key dates for summer 2018

You should check the official timetable in case of any changes.
The full summer 2018 timetable can be found [here](#).
Key changes to be aware of...

**Improvement to Sample Assessment Materials**
After listening to feedback from schools and colleges following the summer 2017 exam series, we’ve reviewed the number of marks and styles of questions for:

- **Unit 1**: Sport and Exercise Physiology
- **Unit 2**: Functional Anatomy

Through the awarding process in summer 2017, the grade boundaries were set at an appropriate level for the demand of the paper, which ensured learners received grades that reflected their performance. However, we have made improvements to allow learners to complete the assessment in the time given.

Here’s a summary of what’s changed so you’re clear what you and your learners need to do when preparing for the next assessment.

**What has changed and which units are affected?**
Total marks for the papers: We’ve reduced the number of marks for both papers by 10 by adjusting some of the types of questions so they are clearer for learners taking the assessment. The mark schemes have been updated to reflect these changes.

Take a look at the updated Sample Assessment Materials in the units where we’ve made these changes:
- **Unit 1**: Sport and Exercise Physiology
- **Unit 2**: Functional Anatomy

**Do the changes apply immediately?**
Yes – these changes are live now and apply to the 2018 assessments onwards.

**Will this mean changes to teaching and learning completed for this unit so far?**
There won’t be any impact on the preparation you’ve completed so far for these units, as the changes only affect the marks allocated in the assessments.
Specialist help and advice

You also have access to specialist support and advice from our sport subject advisor, Penny Lewis.

Penny will be happy to help with any questions you may have about your BTEC Level 3 Sport and Sport and Exercise Science qualifications.

Penny Lewis

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