Supporting your lower attaining students with Mathematics

New Entry Level Certificate in Mathematics 2017
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With the changes to the new GCSE (9-1) Mathematics qualification, we know more students than ever will find the content challenging. That’s why we’ve redeveloped our Entry Level Certificate to complement the GCSE (9-1) Mathematics, enabling lower attaining students to develop the underpinning mathematical skills and understanding, and provide a springboard to GCSE.

Easy to co-teach with GCSE (9-1) Mathematics.
We’ve carefully selected new topics at Entry Level 3 from the more accessible GCSE topics.

Clear routes of progression between Entry Level Certificate and GCSE.
We’ve introduced calculator and non-calculator tests at Entry Level 3 and redesigned assessment objectives to support progression to GCSE (9–1) Mathematics.

Designed around the needs of students at this level.
Every aspect of the new qualification is designed to enable Entry Level students to really show what they can do. The short assessments have no time limits, are taken only when the student is ready, and can be taken up to three times as needed.

Straightforward to administer and manage.
All the assessments are 100% externally set but internally marked, with a small number of assessment components at each level.

High quality support to help you plan, teach, track and assess.

Qualification at a glance

Our Entry Level Certificate complements the GCSE (9-1) Mathematics to optimise co-teachability and support progression.

Designed around the needs of students working at this level, it offers level-targeted tests so you can pick the level that is right for each student. With no time limit and the option to resit tests and tasks if needed, the assessments measure small increments of progress.

Straightforward to administer and manage, both tests and tasks are externally set but internally marked by you, and only undertaken when you decide your students are ready. Assessments can be attempted in any order, and can be taken up to three times as needed.

Assessment model

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<td>3 Task</td>
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Tests assess entirely A01. Tasks assess A02 and A03. All assessments: no set time limit

Further information on the structure of our new Entry Level Certificate in Mathematics can be found on our website at: quals.pearson.com/elcmaths2017

Subject Support
Mathematics and Statistics
Our Subject Advisor, Graham Cumming and his team, are available to answer any questions and provide guidance and support.

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Support for every need

We’ve put together a package of support to help you plan and teach the new **Entry Level Certificate in Mathematics (ELC)**, as well as track and assess students’ progress.

- **Getting started guide** gives you an overview of the new ELC and helps you understand what the changes mean for you and your students.
- Our **Course planner** offers an approach to standalone delivery at Entry Levels 1, 2 and/or 3.
- A **scheme of work** for co-teaching the new ELC with an Access to Foundation GCSE (9–1) Mathematics programme, editable for you to adapt to suit your department.
- **Mapping documents** highlight the touch points between the new ELC and our Access to Foundation GCSE (9-1) Mathematics programme, as well as the differences between the legacy ELC qualification and the new one.
- **Free Getting Ready to Teach** events to support you in delivering the new qualification.
- **Sample assessment materials** to help you prepare your students for the new assessments.

Get help and support with our Mathematics Emporium

Our popular Mathematics Emporium helps to keep you up to date with all areas of mathematics throughout the year. It is also a rich source of past questions with over 15,000 documents related to past and present Pearson and Edexcel Mathematics qualifications available for free.

Visit [www.edexcelmaths.com](http://www.edexcelmaths.com) to register for an account or email Graham Cumming at mathsemporium@pearson.com to sign up for updates.

Supporting great maths teaching

**Resources designed to support essential mathematical skills and understanding**

**Edexcel Entry Level Certificate in Mathematics**

**Helps students progress towards GCSE**

Designed for students who aren’t ready for GCSE, this Student Book gradually introduces students to basic mathematical concepts giving them the confidence to progress towards study at GCSE.

**Edexcel Award in Number and Measure Level 1 Workbook**

**Building proficiency in number and measure**

This write-in workbook is designed to build proficiency in number and measure, helping learners to gain confidence in these skills at Level 1.

We’re providing a mapping document showing where these two resources provide coverage of the new Entry Level Certificate content.

Find out more about our published resources to support ELC Maths at: [www.pearsonschools.co.uk/elcmaths17resources](http://www.pearsonschools.co.uk/elcmaths17resources)

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