

GCSE 2009 Greek



How does your candidates' journey through the new GCSE 2009 Greek differ to that taken through the old specification?

Modular - Resits - Terminal requirement -	greater flexibility in sitting exams when they are ready and opportunities to improve at a later stage only one resit opportunity for each unit is available at least 40% of the entire GCSE must be completed at the end of the course - this means for GCSE Greek (2GK01) at least two units must be taken in the final examination session. For the short course (3GK0S/3GK0W) only one unit must be taken when certification is requested.
Uniform Mark Scale -	candidates' best marks are stored for aggregation at the end of the course, ensuring their best performance is awarded, however the scores for the units being used to satisfy the terminal rule will be used even if they are lower than those held in the bank
The GCSE standard -	all units are assessed at the GCSE standard in whichever exam series they are offered

Below are examples of how your candidates' experience of the new specification might differ to that of the old

Please note: these examples are not recommendations of how the course should be sat or the number of hours required to deliver the course but an example of some of the ways that the qualification might be approached. There may be alternative ways to approach the qualification.

Old GCSE Greek (1776)

Unit Availability		weightings %	Mode	Max Sbj Mark	Overall grade
JUNE →	JUNE →				
5GK01; 5GK02; 5GK03; 5GK04					
ACQUIRING GCSE SKILLS →					
Paper 1: Listening and Responding		25	Exam	100	Overall grade
Paper 2: Speaking		25	Exam		
Paper 3: Reading and responding		25	Exam		

New GCSE 2009: Greek (2GK01) Example 1

Unit Availability		weightings %	Mode	Max UMS mark	Overall grade
JUNE →	JUNE →				
5GK01; 5GK02; 5GK03; 5GK04					
ACQUIRING GCSE SKILLS →					
Unit 1: Listening and understanding	Re-sit	23	Exam	70	Overall grade
Unit 2: Speaking		27	Exam	80	
Unit 3: Reading and understanding		23	Exam	70	
Unit 4: Writing		27	Exam	80	

New GCSE 2009: Greek (3GK0S / 2GK01) Example 2

Unit Availability		weightings % Short/Full course	Mode	Max UMS mark	Overall grade
JUNE →	JUNE →				
5GK01; 5GK02; 5GK03; 5GK04					
ACQUIRING GCSE SKILLS →					
Unit 1: Listening and understanding		46/23	Exam	70	Overall grade
Unit 2: Speaking		54/27	Exam	80	
Unit 3: Reading and understanding		23	Exam	70	
Unit 4: Writing		27	Exam	80	

This candidate has cashed in the short course 3GK0S after year 1. They have then gone on to complete Units 3 & 4 in Year 2 and cash in the full course (2GK01).

New GCSE 2009: Greek (2GK01) Example 3

Unit Availability		weightings %	Mode	Max UMS mark	Overall grade
JUNE →	JUNE →				
5GK01; 5GK02; 5GK03; 5GK04					
ACQUIRING GCSE SKILLS →					
Unit 1: Listening and understanding		23	Exam	70	Overall grade
Unit 2: Speaking		27	Exam	80	
Unit 3: Reading and understanding		23	Exam	70	
Unit 4: Writing		27	Exam	80	

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