Design and Technology 2023/2024

GCSE and A level Design and Technology, Subject Advisor support session.

12 September 2023
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Reminder about post results services

If you're a centre with a concern about a student's results, you can use our post-results services. JCQ guidance below:

> JCQ guidance on post results services

**Services:**

1) Free Access the Scripts (ATS)

1) Service 1: Clerical check
2) Service 2: Review of marking
3) Service 2P: Priority review of marking

4) Service 3: Review of moderation

**Which should I choose?**
## Key dates – summer 2023

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Grade boundaries

Grade boundaries for summer 2023 are online. There are 2 documents each for GCSE and A level qualifications.

1) Grade boundaries (Full)
2) Notional component grade boundaries (Showing exam and NEA separately)

*Paper 2 for D&T in the document is the NEA notional grade boundaries*

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Grade statistics (provisional)

Grade statistics summarise the overall grade outcomes of candidates sitting Pearson examinations.

> GCSE Provisional grade statistics

> A level Provisional grade statistics
Contextual challenges (GCSE only)

Contextual challenges for summer 2024 submissions were published on 1 June 2023. In the document, there are 3 themes and 6 contextual challenges (2 per theme) in total.

Please remember that:

- Learners must independently select the contextual challenge they want to focus on for their NEA.
- Learners must select one of the 6 challenges available.
- Contextual challenges are open for interpretation and learners should work on the challenge selected to identify a design problem/situation, rather than directly identifying a product.
- Learners should have a user centred design approach in their design and make project and ensure that user needs and wants are met in responding to the identified design problem/situation.
- Learners must work independently throughout.
Learner Work Transfer

Please remember to take a digital approach for portfolio creation as there are no hard copy submissions. All NEA samples are submitted through Learner Work Transfer (LWT).

> Slides on preparing digital portfolios

> Design and Technology – LWT guidance
## Training

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Materials and resources to help deliver GCSE and A level D&T

Past papers

Past papers from summer 2023 series, including question papers, mark schemes and examiner reports are available through the qualification pages. Please see links below to download these:

**GCSE D&T past papers**

**A level D&T past papers**

Materials are padlocked, so that they can be utilised for mock purposes. You can access these with your Edexcel online log in details.
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Delivery guide, exemplar materials for the NEA and past training content

The NEA delivery guide and the exemplar materials available will help with the NEA and these can be accessed from the qualification pages.

>>GCSE D&T delivery guide, exemplar portfolios and past training content

>>A level D&T delivery guide and exemplar portfolios and past training content

Please note: There will be more exemplars made available from summer 2023 series. These will be published in the above locations.
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CABs, Authentication and Administrative Support Guide (ASG) for summer 2024 assessment

Administrative materials have been updated for summer 2024 and can be accessed in the below link for GCSE and A level separately.

A level Administrative assessment materials

GCSE Administrative assessment materials
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Published resources

Pearson GCSE D&T student book

PG online resources for Edexcel GCSE D&T

A Level Design and Technology (2008) student books mapped to new spec

Free Topic guide for A level

Hodder My revision notes for Edexcel GCSE and A level D&T
Doodle workbook!

This workbook is designed to help students cover all of the core subject content, and one material specialism of their choice, ready for their examination. The workbook contains ideas on how to engage with some of the course content, space to discuss health and safety and aspects around mathematics in D&T, and has open spaces to stick worksheets in or to simply sketch.

>Order workbooks here
New Designers for GCSE D&T

Updated designer list with resources are available on the qualification website. The list replaces the 8 designers we had in our specification and is designed to include a diverse range of designers, whom your learners can get inspired from in their D&T studies.

This update will link you to the list of designers and the resources available.
Joining the D&T Assessment Team at Pearson Edexcel

Becoming an examiner/moderator

There has never been a better time to consider becoming an examiner or coursework moderator for Pearson Edexcel. We are always looking to bring on board new GCSE and A level assessment associates to the team.

Key benefits include:
- opportunity to develop a deep understanding of the assessment process conducted by Pearson Edexcel in both component 1 and 2
- professional development that builds your profile as a teacher of the subject
- paid work that you can complete away from the classroom
- opportunity to network and meet like-minded teachers of the subject, who are passionate about design and technology
- a great way to develop your own practice, by assessing the work from other centres
- the rewarding experience of helping to endorse and support your fellow teachers in their assessment of student coursework.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please email me in the first instance – teachingdesignandtechnology@pearson.com

Link to vacancies
Subject page for latest news and updates

Please visit the subject page for Design and Technology frequently, where you can access updates, e.g. from the carousel. I share my monthly updates here, if you are not signed up to receive them to your email.

Please do sign up to receive these, which can include additional updates around training and other news.

In addition, you can access my contact details, latest news, useful documents and popular topics, as well as useful links to other parts of the website from this page.
Support and contact

We are always here to support and help, so please do feel free to get in touch. There are various ways you can get in touch with us and these are detailed here.

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Your questions