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INTERNATIONAL GCSE (9–1)
PUBLISHED RESOURCES FOR SCHOOLS

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Resources for the new Edexcel International GCSE (9–1)

Developed in line with the new Edexcel International 9–1 qualification (first teaching from 2017), our newly published resources have progression, international relevance and support at their core, to ensure your students are well prepared for the exam.

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What makes the new Edexcel International GCSE (9–1) special?

A new 9–1 grading scale
These resources are for the new 9–1 grading scale, which replaces the old A*–G grading scale, allowing greater differentiation of student achievement. These qualifications are comparable to the UK GCSEs, ensuring that international students have the same opportunities for progression to A level, International A level, university and beyond.

Internationally appropriate content
Content is specifically developed to ensure it is appropriate for international learners with a range of relevant contexts, photos, examples and currencies. Language is graded for speakers of English as an additional language (EAL) and checked by an EAL specialist.

Signposted transferable skills
Transferable skills, needed for progression into higher education and employment, are embedded throughout the Student Books, and explicitly signposted, allowing learners to understand, and engage with, the skills they’re gaining.

Supporting learning beyond the classroom
Each Student Book provides access to an ActiveBook, a digital version of the Student Book, which can be accessed online, anytime, anywhere.

Better support for you
The ActiveLearn Digital Service (for Mathematics) or the online teacher resources (for other subjects) provide a range of planning, teaching and assessment resources, saving you valuable time.

Pearson progression tools
Developed by teachers and tested by experts, the Pearson progression tools help you identify what areas students are weak, secure or confident in, and how to apply interventions to help them make progress through their learning.

Fully matched to the latest specifications
All titles provide full coverage of the specification and have been endorsed by Pearson Edexcel.
What to look out for in our Student Books

All the Student Books are available as a printed book with free online access to the digital version.

Learning Objectives
Set out clearly to provide a focus for each lesson.

Setting the scene
Assumed knowledge and key concepts are outlined.

Relevant for international learners
Points of interest put learning in a real-world, international context, making it engaging and relevant for all learners, to a global standard.

Transferable skills
Embedded throughout and explicitly signposted, the skills gained from each activity allow for a strong focus on particular academic qualities.

Activities
A wide range of varied activities to embed understanding as an individual, as well as in larger groups, establishing crosspeer learning and communication.

Chapter Questions
Students can test their knowledge of the topic in that chapter. Also included are unit questions, to test knowledge of the whole unit and provide quick, effective feedback on progress.

Pearson Progression
Each question has been given a Pearson Progression Step from 1 to 12. This tells you how difficult the question is. The higher the Step, the more challenging the question.
UNIT 3 LISTENING PREPARATION

This unit prepares you for Paper 2 Listening. In this part of the exam, you need to show that you can understand a wide range of recorded material.

The unit contains four parts, which correspond to the four parts of the Listening exam. You will need to use different types of listening skill in the different parts:

- **Part 1**: listen for detailed information
- **Part 2**: follow a discussion or argument, identifying attitude and opinions of speakers and following instructions
- **Part 3**: listen to a longer recording, e.g. a conversation, and identify a speaker’s viewpoint and attitude, stated and implied
- **Part 4**: listen to a longer recording, identify essential and floor points of detail and identify a speaker’s viewpoint and attitude, stated and implied

In Parts 1–4 of the exam you need to meet the Assessment Objectives AO1A, AO3B, AO5C and AO1B; the AO4s of which is that will be tested in the exam are indicated at the beginning of the corresponding part of this unit.

The unit focuses on the core listening skills that you need. Working through these lessons and activities will help you develop these skills.

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**Sample pages taken from Edexcel International GCSE (9–1) English Literature**
Supporting student progression and academic achievement

The Student Books offer learners the best preparation possible for the exam.

Exam practice tests cover the whole chapter and provide quick, effective feedback on students’ progress.

**CHAPTER SUMMARY: ALGEBRA 1**

**SIMPLIFYING ALGEBRAIC EXPRESSIONS**
You can only add or subtract like terms:

2x + 3y = 7x but the terms in 2x + y cannot be added together.

The multiplication sign is usually not included between letters, e.g. 2xy means 2 × x × y.

When multiplying, add like powers. 2x² × 3x = 6x² (think of x as x¹).

You can check your simplifications by substituting numbers.

**SIMPLIFYING ALGEBRAIC EXPRESSIONS WITH BRACKETS**

Multiply each term inside the bracket by the term outside the bracket.

The multiplication sign is usually not included:

2x × 4y means 2 × x × 4 × y but the terms in 2x + 3y cannot be added together.

Be very careful with negative signs outside a bracket:

−(x − 2) means −3 × (x − 2) = −3x − 6

When multiplying, the number 1 is usually not included:

−(2x − 3) means −1 × (3x − 6) = −3x + 6

**SOLVING EQUATIONS**

To solve equations, always do the same to both sides. Always check your answer.

The six basic types:

- x = 2 + 10
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**PROBLEMS LEADING TO EQUATIONS**

Let the unknown quantity be x. Write down the facts in the form of an equation and then solve it.

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Why are transferable skills so important?

In recent years, universities and employers have highlighted the need for students and graduates to develop a range of transferable skills, often referred to as ‘soft skills’, to enable them to better meet the demands of undergraduate study and the world of work.

In fact, universities and employers consider transferable skills to be the largest skills gap overall.

That’s why we’ve worked tirelessly to ensure that transferable skills are embedded into our new Edexcel International GCSE qualifications and suite of supporting resources*. You can feel confident that you are developing your students with the skills demanded by universities and employers across the world.

Look out!

Transferable skills are clearly signposted in the qualifications and learning materials.

*You do not have to purchase any of our resources to deliver our qualifications.

Intrapersonal skills
- Adaptability
- Continuous learning
- Intellectual curiosity
- Work ethic (e.g. initiative)
- Self-evaluation

Interpersonal skills
- Teamwork & collaboration
- Communication
- Negotiation
- Empathy/perspective taking
- Leadership

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Activity 4

PAPER 2       LITERARY HERITAGE TEXTS

The Scarlet Letter that hangs around Hester’s neck is also a symbol. Indeed, it is a symbol that is repeated at significant points in the plot. First, it is repeated in the letter ‘A’ that the meteor makes in the sky as Hester, Dimmesdale and Pearl stand on the scaffold. Much later, it is repeated again in the letter ‘A’ carved on Hester and Dimmesdale’s shared grave. The ‘A’ is a particularly interesting symbol because its meaning changes. It starts off as a symbol of Hester’s crime and sin, but by the end of the novel it serves instead as a symbol of her goodness. This shows that, while some symbols are static and have fixed meanings, Hawthorne is also interested in the way that the meaning of symbols can shift and become a site of conflict. For example, when Hester uses her embroidery skills to make the letter beautiful and therefore contradict its original Puritanical purpose, this is a sign of this symbolic conflict.

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EXAM-SHTE QUESTIONS

1. Compare and contrast the characters of Roger Chillingworth and Arthur Dimmesdale. You must consider language, form and structure and refer to the context of the novel in your answer. (30 marks)

2. How does Hawthorne explore the conflict between society and the individual in The Scarlet Letter? You must consider language, form and structure and refer to the context of the novel in your answer. (30 marks)

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