Age calculator by year of birth

If your month of birth is Sep-Dec, increase by 1 year.

Birth Year	CSE/GCSE	GCE	Birth Year	CSE/GCSE	GCE
1956	1972	1974	1977	1993	1995
1957	1973	1975	1978	1994	1996
1958	1974	1976	1979	1995	1997
1959	1975	1977	1980	1996	1998
1960	1976	1978	1981	1997	1999
1961	1977	1979	1982	1998	2000
1962	1978	1980	1983	1999	2001
1963	1979	1981	1984	2000	2002
1964	1980	1982	1985	2001	2003
1965	1981	1983	1986	2002	2004
1966	1982	1984	1987	2003	2005
1967	1983	1985	1988	2004	2006
1968	1984	1986	1989	2005	2007
1969	1985	1987	1990	2006	2008
1970	1986	1988	1991	2007	2009
1971	1987	1989	1992	2008	2010
1972	1988	1990	1993	2009	2011
1973	1989	1991	1994	2010	2012
1974	1990	1992	1995	2011	2013
1975	1991	1993	1996	2012	2014
1976	1992	1994	1997	2013	2015

Key date changes to qualifications

Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE) to
General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE)

Before 1965, schools did not award any formal qualifications to school leavers. This meant that these learners did not hold any official documentation when they went into further study or employment.

The Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE) was developed so that students could take a formal exam and receive a certificate that proved their level of education.

CSEs were assessed by a combination of coursework and exams and were available in both academic and vocational subjects.

The Certificate of Secondary Education (CSE) was a qualification offered from **1965** until the introduction of the General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE) exams in **1988.**

Key Skills and Functional Skills

Key Skills were introduced from **2000** where it was generally anticipated that learners would work towards the three main key skills units of Application of Number, Communication, and Information Technology.

Functional Skills Qualifications were introduced in **2006**; the key components are English, Maths and Information Technology.

From **2012**, the government introduced Functional Skills qualifications which largely replaced Key Skills.