

## Exams Update - Wednesday 12 February

Welcome to your regular roundup of all the important updates at Edexcel. [You can find all of our notices online](#)

### Next generation BTEC results files



If you would like to receive a JCQ EDI results file for your BTEC external assessment tests, please ensure that you make your bookings via EDI. We are not able to provide external assessment results files for bookings made on Edexcel Online.

#### ***Updated basedata for next generation BTEC***

Please note that updated versions of January (1B), March (3B) and June (6B) basedata are now available [here](#). Please import these into your MIS systems to ensure that you have the correct grade sets.

We have also reviewed the use of 'A' to denote absence in external assessment results files. In line with JCQ EDI results file formats we are amending this to 'X' for all future sessions.

### Reminder: changes to unit 3 in GCSE English and English Language

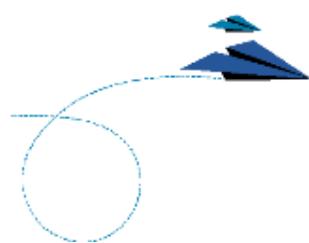


We have made changes to unit 3 in GCSE English and English Language because the marks for speaking and listening assessments no longer count towards the final grade.

Unit 3 now has two components, A and B. **Please note that both components need to be entered for the candidate to be eligible to receive a final GCSE grade.**

For further information on how this has affected the unit weightings please click [here](#).

### Functional Skills results for the January 2014 series



Functional Skills results for the January 2014 exams series will be released on **Friday 14th February 2014**.

For more information on key dates please click [here](#).

### Exams Officer survey for private candidates



So that Pearson can better support private candidates we are looking into the reasons why centres are reluctant or struggle to take on these types of students.

We would appreciate if you could take part in this short [survey](#).

## Pearson Onscreen Platform training

We will be delivering two online training sessions on how to use the Pearson Onscreen Platform. The training will be held on the following dates;

13 March 2014 - 14:00 to 16:00 (Event code: EONGO04/01)  
18 March 2014 - 12:00 to 14:00 (Event code: EONGO04/02)



The training sessions will include:

- getting approved for Pearson Onscreen Platform
- installation of software
- making bookings
- Access Arrangements
- running a test
- Special Consideration
- Results and post-results.

You will be able to secure a place using the booking facility on [Edexcel Online](#). Please ensure you use the event codes stated above when making the bookings.

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