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High School



2024 - 2025
Year 9
Quick Guide
Preparation for
Assessment 1

Art

Year 9 will not sit a formal assessment this term. The students will be assessed on all classwork completed up to this point. There are no additional support materials needed.

Computer Science

There is no formal assessment during the Year 9 assessment window. Students are assessed on the completion of each unit of work covered during lessons.

Drama

Y9a/Dr3 Monday 13th January Lesson 3 - DTO

Y9a/Dr2 Tuesday 14th January Lesson 5 - DTO

Y9b/Dr2 Wednesday 15th January Lesson 3 - CRA

Y9b/Dr1 Wednesday 15th January Lesson 3 - DTO

Y9c/Dr3 Friday 17th January Lesson 2 - CRA

Y9a/Dr1 Tuesday 21st January Lesson 5 - CRA

Y9b/Dr3 Tuesday 21st January Lesson 5 - DTO

Y9c/Dr1 Wednesday 22nd January Lesson 5 - CRA

Y9c/Dr2 Thursday 23rd January Lesson 2 - DTO

Students will watch a short clip of a piece of live theatre and then begin an analysis of the performance and evaluate its effectiveness. They will also have a practical self-evaluation task.

English

Writing Assessment

This writing assessment will test the students understanding of the structure and content of speeches as covered in their Social Protest Unit. It will also test their ability to use the techniques appropriate to transactional writing and their ability to write both creatively and accurately. There will be preparation and planning time for the assessment during lesson time prior to the timetabled assessment lesson.

Reading Assessment

The students will be given an extract from a fiction text and they will be asked a range of comprehension questions testing retrieval, inference, how the writer uses language and they will be asked to evaluate interpretations of the text. The text will come from the Social Protest genre. There will be preparation and planning time for the assessment during lesson time prior to the timetabled assessment lesson.

Geography

Students will be tested on their knowledge and understanding of the Earthquakes and Volcanoes scheme of work. Students will be tested on their knowledge and understanding of the geography of Russia. Students will answer a series of short knowledge-based questions, together with more indepth questions and a map-based exercise (Russia). Students are to use their class exercise books to prepare for this assessment.

History

Students will answer a combination of short recall questions and questions that require a more developed answer testing their understanding of the events we have studied. They should revise the following topics:

- 1. The Causes of the First World War
- 2. The Schlieffen Plan
- 3. Trench Warfare
- 4. Douglas Haig and the Battle of the Somme
- 5. The Home Front
- 6. The Treaty of Versailles

Students should use their books to prepare for their assessment. Revision sheets will be also shared on Class Charts.

Maths

Thursday 16th January (45 minutes long assessment)

- 9b P2
- 9a and 9c P5

Year 9 Maths Foundation	Year 9 Maths Higher
 Four rules with decimals Factors, multiples, primes, squares, cubes Prime factors, HCF, LCM Percentages Fractions Ratio Rounding, estimation, BIDMAS Negative numbers Basic algebra Substitution Coordinates Expanding and factorising 	 HCF/LCM Ratio/Fractions Ratio Hard Product Rule for counting/Percentages Percentages Expand and factorise Factorise/solve quadratics Factorising quadratics with coefficient Simultaneous Equations Inequalities / Changing the subject Pythagoras/trigonometry 3D Pythagoras/3D trigonometry Angles

Please use the sparxs and mathsgenie online to aid revision.

MFL

French Y9 assessment

During the assessment, you will complete two writing tasks in the style of the new GCSE. You will have a **translation** and a **90-word** task to answer in French.

Both tasks are based on the topics we have studied this year:

- 1. Identity, family & friends
- 2. Free time activities.

In terms of grammar, make sure that you revise how to use adjectives and how to use the past, present and future tenses.

Revision support materials:

- Language Nut any vocabulary or GCSE exam activities connected to these two topics (your teacher will show you where they are)
- Double-sided vocabulary sheet on each of these two topics (please ask for a new one, if you have lost it)

German Y9 assessment

During the assessment, you will complete two writing tasks in the style of the new GCSE. You will have a **translation** and a **90-word** task to answer in German.

Both tasks are based on the topics we have studied this year:

- 1. Identity, family & friends
- 2. Free time activities

In terms of grammar, make sure that you revise how to use adjectives and how to use the past, present and future tenses.

Revision support materials:

- Language Nut any vocabulary or GCSE exam activities connected to these two topics (your teacher will show you where they are)
- Double-sided vocabulary sheet on each of these two topics (please ask for a new one, if you have lost it)

<u>Music</u>

Music Timings

- 9aMu1 Tuesday 14th of January P5 GSI
- 9aMu2 Friday 17th of January P3 ASY
- 9aMu3 Wednesday 15th of January P5 GSI
- 9bMu1 Thursday 16th of January P3 GSI
- 9bMu2 Monday 13th of January P5 ASY
- 9bMu3 Monday 13th of January P3 GSI
- 9cMu1 Tuesday 14th of January P3 GSI
- 9cMu2 Friday 17th of January P4 GSI
- 9cMu3 Monday 13th of January P5 GSI

Students will be completing a performance or composition assessment depending on the topic they are studying. Students will be assessed on the quality of their performance/ composition and how well it meets the criteria in their assessment booklets.

PΕ

Students will be assessed holistically on all activities covered since September based on three areas: cognitive, social and physical. The average of the three will be the reported level.

Cognitive (Thinking ME)	Social (Leadership ME)	Physical (Practical ME)
Knowledge and understanding	Communication	Physical development
Analytical	Leadership	Skill development
Feedback	Effort	Fitness
Decision Making	Attitude	Participation in competition

This is against a 5-stage model correlated to GCSE expected attainment pathways.

- 1. Beginner (1)
- 2. Improver (2-3)
- 3. Competent (4-5)
- 4. Advanced (6-7)
- 5. Expert (8-9)

Religious Education

Students will be given a range of questions relating to what we have covered in the 'Moral Issues' unit and on an introduction to 'Prejudice and Discrimination'.

Students will specifically need to know the following:

- -Key terms relating to Moral issues and Prejudice & Discrimination
- -Features of and attitudes towards abortion
- -Features of and attitudes towards organ donation
- -Features of and attitudes towards war and conflict
- -Religious attitudes towards prejudice and discrimination

There will be a revision sheet on class charts containing a summary of all the relevant information.

Science

You will have three short tests in one lesson.

Biology	Chemistry
	C1 – Atomic structure
 Animal Cells 	
 Plant cells 	• Atoms
 Microscopes 	Chemical equations
 General How Science works 	 Separating mixtures
	 Fractional distillation, paper chromatography

Physics

P3 – Energy Resources

- P3.1 Energy demands and the environment
- P3.2 Energy from Water and Wind
- P3.3 Energy from Sun and Earth
- P3.4 Big Energy Issues

P1 – Energy transfers and stores

- P1.1 Energy Stores and Transfers
- P1.2 Conservation of Energy

Practical skills (e.g. graphs, interpreting data)

Technology

Subject	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>When</u>
T €	Fechnology	During the written assessment pupils will be assessed on the following topics:	Written assessment will be in the pupils only D&T lesson within the assessment fortnight.
	of multiple choice and written answers.	Process.	Resources will be added to class charts in order to support pupils prepare for their assessment.
		The use of Computer Aided Design.Modelling	
Food	Assessment of ongoing	techniques. Students will be assessed	In their 1 food practical
1 000	practical work	on their ongoing practical work as well as the food practical lesson that falls in their assessment fortnight. They will be assessed on the following criteria:	ln their I food practical lesson within the assessment fortnight. Details of what they are making and required ingredients will be posted on ClassCharts and are also in the Y9 recipe booklet that they each have been given a
		hygiene and safety copy of at the	copy of at the start of the year.
		use of equipment;independence	year.
		 following instructions & time keeping 	
		 presentation & overall quality of product 	