

AQA GCSE PHOTOGRAPHY

Component 1 – Portfolio

No time limit

96 marks

60% of GCSE

Component 2 – Externally set Assignment

Preparatory period followed by 10 hours of supervised time

96 marks

40% of GCSE

Date	Exams/ Assessments	Learning Intentions	Core Task / Assessments
31/08/26		Component 1 – Portfolio Yorkshire Sculpture Park Project Students will research artists and produce process pages and finals from their photographs.	<u>Assessment will be portfolio work completed so far, including YSP Project.</u>
07/09/26			
14/09/26			
21/09/26			
28/09/26			
05/10/26		Personal Project / Mock exam preparation and PPE Developing independent work from a chosen theme / starting point.	

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12/10/26	Y11	Students may produce, mind map, visuals, research and artist responses, experiments & process pages.	
19/10/26	Y11	<u>Half term homework: Finish researches and take a set of photographs (200+) to use for artist responses and experiments.</u>	
26/10/26	HALF TERM		
02/11/26		Continuation of Personal project	
09/11/26		Mock exam preparation and PPE	
16/11/26			
23/11/26		PPE tba during this period	
30/11/26			
07/12/26		Mock exam (5hrs) Date tbc.	Students should finish any written aspects of their Portfolio over the Christmas holiday.
14/12/26		Feedback from PPE. Refine and develop work further to include experiments and process pages.	
21/12/26	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY		
28/12/26			
04/01/27		Coursework /Portfolio completion deadline. Hand in all work.	
11/01/27		Component 2 - Controlled Assessment preparation	
18/01/27		Students will: Develop independent work from a chosen theme / starting point.	
25/01/27			
01/02/27	Y11	Students will produce a mind map, visuals, artist research & analysis, artist responses, experiments & process pages.	Work assessed at this time will be Portfolio work.
08/02/27	Y11		

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			Take 200+ photographs to use for Artist responses & experiments.
15/02/27		HALF TERM	
22/02/27		Controlled Assessment preparation.	
01/03/27			
08/03/27		Controlled Assessment dates tbc. This will be x2 5hr sessions. This exam will take place in the Photography suite.	
15/03/27			
22/03/27		Final hand in for all Portfolio and exam work tbc	
29/03/27		SPRING BREAK	
05/04/27			
12/04/27			
19/04/27			
26/04/27			
03/05/27		Start of GCSE examination period	
10/05/27			
17/05/27			
24/05/27			
31/05/27		HALF TERM	
07/06/27			
14/06/27			
21/06/27			
28/06/27			
05/07/27			
12/07/27			