

NEA Briefing

(Non Examination Assessment)



GCSE and A Level 2025/26





- Art
- Computer Science
- D&T
- Drama
- English Literature
- EPQ
- Geography
- History
- MFL (oral exams)
- Music
- Photography
- PE
- Sciences (practical endorsement)

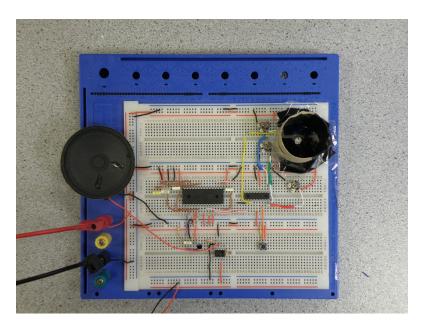




- Art and Art Textiles
- Drama
- D&T
- English (speaking & listening) Food Prep. & Nutrition
- MFL (speaking assessment)
- Music
- PE

GCSE subjects that require evidence of participation:

- **Computer Science**
- Geography
- Sciences







Know the regulations that apply in the subjects you study:

- Will I be completing the NEA in lessons under supervised conditions?
- Can I take my NEA (or part of it) home to work on?
- Can I bring in notes/work to add to my NEA?
- Is there a word limit / time limit on my NEA?
- What is the deadline for my NEA?
- Nature of feedback your teachers can give is specified by the exam board if they say they can't tell you, they really can't.





Candidates must **not**:

- submit work which is not their own (including work produced by AI);
- share their work with other candidates;
- allow other candidates to access their own, independently sourced material;
- assist other candidates to produce work;
- use information from any source (printed, electronic) without referencing;
- submit work that has been word processed by a third party without acknowledgement;
- include inappropriate, offensive or obscene material.



- If you receive help and guidance from someone other than your teacher, you
 must tell your teacher who will then record the nature of the assistance
 given to you.
- If you worked as part of a group on an assignment, for example, undertaking field research / doing an experiment, you must each write up your own account of the assignment.
- Even if the data you have is the same, you must describe in your own words
 how that data was obtained and you must independently draw your own
 conclusions from the data.

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Nemo sibi nascitur: Our values of community, aspiration and opportunity enable every individual to grow and flourish





Al misuse constitutes malpractice.

Examples of AI misuse include, but are not limited to:

- copying or paraphrasing sections, or whole responses, of AI generated content;
- using AI to complete any part of the assessment this includes calculations, evaluation, analysis etc etc..;
- failing to acknowledge use of AI tools when they have been used as a source of information;
- Incomplete or poor acknowledgement of AI tools;
- Submitting work with incomplete or misleading references or bibliographies.

Guidance on referencing

If you use the same wording as a published source you must use quotation marks and state where it came from:

- From book or journal: Morrison, 2000, pg.29
- From internet: https://www.geomorphology.org.uk/edu-resources/processes-glacial-environments [27 September 2023]
- From book/journal/article downloaded from internet: Regulski, I (2023). Page turners: literature in ancient. Available: https://www.britishmuseum.org/blog/page-turnersliterature-ancient-egypt [26 April 2023]
- You must include a bibliography at the end of your work. This must list details of all publications you have used to research your NEA.

If you copy the words or ideas of others and don't show your sources in references and a bibliography this will be considered as malpractice.

Guidance on referencing

- Where AI tools have been used as a source of information, your acknowledgement must show the name of the AI source used and the date the content was generated. For example:
 - ChatGPT 3.5 (https://openai.com/blog/chatgpt/), 25/01/2023.
- If the AI tool provides details of the sources it has used, these sources must be verified by you and referenced in your work in the normal way.
- If the AI tool does not provide details of sources, you have to verify the AI-generated content and then reference the sources you have used.
- In any use of AI, you must retain a copy of the question(s) and computer-generated content for reference and authentication purposes, in a non editable format (such as a screenshot), and provide a brief explanation of how it has been used.

Plagiarism / Malpractice

Plagiarism involves taking someone else's words, thoughts or ideas and trying to pass them off as your work. It is a form of cheating.

Don't think you won't be caught!

- Teachers will spot and have been trained in spotting changes in the style of writing and use of language
- Teachers are very familiar with work on the topic concerned they may have read the source you are using
- Internet search engines and specialist detection software are used to match phrases or pieces of text with original sources - both in school and at the exam board when they moderate your work. This year all work is scanned by teachers for use of AI!





If your work is submitted and it is discovered that you have broken the regulations, one of the following penalties will be applied:

- the piece of work will be awarded zero marks;
- you will be disqualified from that component;
- you will be disqualified from the whole subject;
- you will be disqualified from all subjects.

It may be the examination board that decides which penalty is appropriate (not the school)



Candidate authentication form: As soon as you sign this you are agreeing that you have followed all the JCQ rules. If you haven't, at this point we must report you to JCQ and you are at risk of being disqualified from the assessment