



Grades descriptors – 2020-21

Y7-9 attainment

Exceptional	Acquisition of knowledge and understanding is exceptional.
Very Good	You demonstrate high proficiency in knowledge and understanding.
Good	You demonstrate good proficiency in knowledge and understanding.
Satisfactory	You demonstrate satisfactory proficiency in knowledge and understanding.
Developing	You demonstrate some knowledge and understanding but it lacks depth and needs development.

Y10+ attainment according to exam board grades

All years – engagement with learning

Fully engaged	You are genuinely curious about the subject and demonstrate real enthusiasm. You show good self-awareness of your learning and the determination to improve it. You reflect well on your learning and adapt your strategies accordingly. You have well-developed independent learning skills.	
Actively engaged	You are showing good signs of being curious about the subject and are beginning to demonstrate real enthusiasm. You show good self-awareness of your learning and the determination to improve it. You reflect well on your learning and adapt your strategies accordingly. You may already be showing good independent learning skills.	Quietly engaged You may not join in with class discussion in an active way, but you listen attentively and answer well when asked directly. You will ask questions and are willing to answer questions in class when prompted. You would benefit from showing greater initiation and anticipation of learning.
Intermittently engaged	You can show signs of being curious as well as being self-aware on occasion. But this is not consistent.	
Insufficiently engaged	You are yet to show initiative in, or anticipation of, learning. You show some awareness of developing strategies to solve problems but are too prepared to give up in the face of difficulty. You have yet to show that you are really curious about your learning in the subject.	
Inadequately engaged	You wilfully avoid engagement and resist learning. You are yet to be responsive to teaching or curious about the subject. You are a long way from developing independence.	