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Art & Design (CCEA)	Component 1 60% Component 2 40%	**Form 4:** Component 1, throughout the year **Form 5:** Component 1, September - December Component 2, January - April
Biology (CCEA)	Unit 1 35% (Exam) Unit 2 40% (Exam) Unit 3 (Practical) -Booklet A 7.5% -Booklet B 17.5%	**Form 5:** 2-hour Practical, **March (12th)**
Business Studies (CCEA)	Unit 1 40% (Exam) Unit 2 40% (Exam) Unit 3 20% (CA)	**Form 5:** October - February
Chemistry (CCEA)	Unit 1 35% (Exam) Unit 2 40% (Exam) Unit 3 (Practical) -Booklet A 7.5% -Booklet B 17.5%	**Form 5:** 2-hour Practical, February **(23rd)**
Digital Technology – Multimedia (CCEA)	Unit 1 30% (Exam) Unit 2 40% (Exam) Unit 3 30% (CA)	**Form 4:** Preparation, September – June **Form 5:** Actual Controlled Assessment: September - March
Digital Technology – Programming (CCEA)	Unit 1 30% (Exam) Unit 4 40% (Exam) Unit 5 30% (CA)	**Form 4:** Preparation, September - June **Form 5:** Actual Controlled Assessment: September - March
Drama (AQA)	Unit 1 40% (Exam) Unit 2 40% (CA & Practical) Unit 3 20% (Practical)	**Form 4:** January - March **Form 5:** Practical Examination, February
Economics (CCEA)	Paper 1 60% Paper 2 40%	N/A
English Language (CCEA)	Unit 1 30% (Exam) Unit 4 30% (Exam) Unit 3 20% (CA) Unit 2 20% (Speaking & Listening)	**Form 4:** Speaking and Listening throughout the two years of the course, CAT 1 in February **Form 5**: Speaking and Listening throughout the two years of the course and CAT 2 from October to November (2026)
English Literature (CCEA)	Unit 1 30% (Exam) Unit 4 50% (Exam) Unit 3 20% (CA)	**Form 4**: No Controlled Assessment **Form 5:** January – February (2027)
Food & Nutrition (CCEA)	Unit 1 50% (Exam) Unit 2 50% (CA)	**Form 5:** October – March & 3-hour practical exam in February
French (CCEA)	Listening 25% (Exam) Reading 25% (Exam)	N/A

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French (CCEA) *Continued*	Speaking 25% (Exam) Writing 25% (Exam)	
Further Mathematics (CCEA)	Unit 1 Pure 50% (Exam) Unit 2 Mech 25% (Exam) Unit 3 Stats 25% (Exam)	N/A
Geography (CCEA)	Unit 1 40% (Exam) Unit 2 40% (Exam) Unit 3 20% (Exam)	N/A
German (CCEA)	Listening 25% (Exam) Reading 25% (Exam) Speaking 25% (Exam) Writing 25% (Exam)	N/A
Government and Politics (CCEA)	Paper 1 50% (Exam) Paper 2 50% (Exam)	N/A
History (CCEA)	Unit 1 60% (Exam) Unit 2 40% (Exam)	N/A
Latin (EDUQAS)	Component 1 50% (Exam) Component 2 30% (Exam) Component 3a 20% (Exam)	N/A
LLW (CCEA)	**Form 4** Unit 1 20% (Exam) Unit 4 40% (CA) **Form 5** Unit 2 20% (Exam) Unit 3 20% (Exam) Unit 4 40% (CA)	**Form 5**: September - December
Mathematics (CCEA)	M2/M3/M4 45% (Exam) M5/M6/M7/M8 55% (Exam)	N/A
MIA (CCEA)	Component 1 40% (Exam) Component 2 20% (CA) Component 3 40% (CA)	**Form 4:** October – December, February, and May **Form 5:** September - April
Music (CCEA)	Component 1 35% (Performing) Component 2 30% (Composition) Component 3 35% (Listening and Appraising)	**Form 4:** Mock Practical - November and May Composition 1 - to be completed by April **Form 5**: Mock Practical - November Composition 2 – to be completed by January Practical with visiting Examiner - April.

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Physical Education (CCEA)	Component 1 25% (Exam) Component 2 25% (Exam) Component 3 50% (Practical)	**Form 4 and Form 5:** Practical - Throughout the two years of the course, completed by February of F5
Physics (CCEA)	Unit 1 37% (Exam) Unit 2 37% (Exam) Unit 3 (Practical) -Booklet A 7.5% -Booklet B 17.5%	**Form 5:** 2-hour Practical, **March (1st)**
Religious Studies (CCEA)	**Form 4** Unit 7 50% (Exam) **Form 5** Unit 6 50% (exam)	N/A
Russian (EDEXCEL)	Listening 25% (Exam) Reading 25% (Exam) Speaking 25% (Exam) Writing 25% (Exam)	N/A
Spanish (CCEA)	Listening 25% (Exam) Reading 25% (Exam) Speaking 25% (Exam) Writing 25% (Exam)	N/A
Technology & Design (CCEA)	**Form 4** Unit 1 25% (Exam) Form 5 Unit 2 25% (Exam) Unit 3 50% (CA)	**Form 4:** Unit 3, January 2027 - March 2028 **Form 5:** Unit 3, September 2026 - March 2027