

GCSE/GCE French, German and Spanish Newsletter

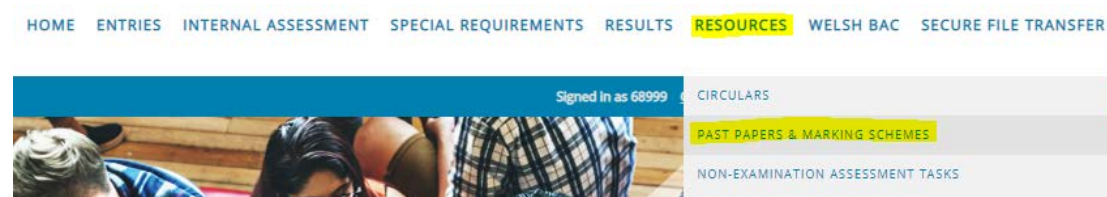
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Welcome back. We hope you have had a good summer and are returning refreshed - a special welcome to centres joining us this September for the first time.

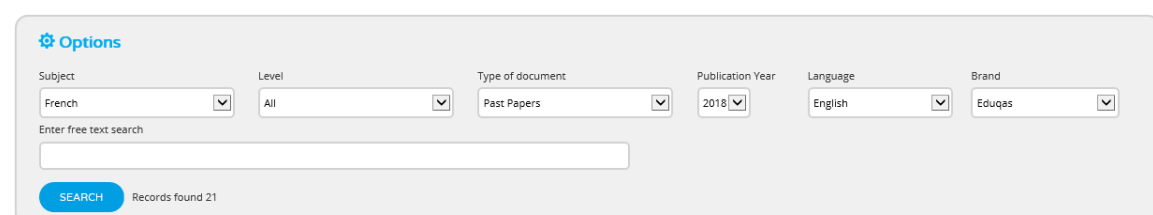
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1. Summer 2018 examinations

GCSE, AS and A level results in French, German and Spanish were published in August. The papers and mark schemes are now available to view on our [secure website](#). If you don't have access, please contact your exams officer. To locate them, select 'Past Papers & Marking Schemes' from the 'Resources Menu' at the top of the screen:



Then use the dropdown menus to choose the papers or marking schemes that you are looking for:



Remember that 20 September is the last date for receipt of requests for reviews of marking and 27 September the deadline for the request of electronic copies of scripts for teaching and learning purposes. Please see our [website](#) for more details.

2. Analysing candidates' results

WJEC Eduqas offers two services to help you understand your students' results and develop their exam skills: Exam Results Analysis and Online Exam Review.

Exam Results Analysis on the [secure website](#) allows you to compare your students' performance on each question with that of the candidature overall, letting you see where they have done well and where there might be room for improvement. To do this, under the 'Results' tab, click on 'View/Print Item Level Data' or 'View/Print Centre Performance' for comparable data.

Online Exam Review provides a number of marked exemplars of candidate responses to key questions in an interactive format. These allow students to mark others' work and discuss ways in which it may be improved, thus developing their own skills. Exemplars from the Summer 2018 examinations will be available soon for GCSE and A level French, German and Spanish.

3. Principal Examiners' reports

The Principal Examiners' reports for GCSE, AS and A level French, German and Spanish providing feedback on the Summer 2018 series are now available on the website subject pages. You are advised to read them carefully as they provide helpful observations and commentary on candidates' work this series.

4. A level Component 1 NEA – the Independent Research Project and the discussion stimulus card

Thank you to all our centres for the feedback regarding the Component 1 – NEA this summer. We have listened to your comments and suggestions and are pleased to advise that candidates will in future be able to view the two discussion cards selected by the visiting examiner before making their choice for the assessment.

In addition, candidates choosing to re-sit the A level will be able to carry forward the marks awarded for Component 1 – NEA. For those wishing to re-sit this component it will be possible to use the same IRP topic providing that the original title is changed.

We hope this will make the process of sitting the Component 1 – NEA smoother and less stressful for candidates and teachers alike.

5. CPD Autumn 2018

WJEC Eduqas is providing Webinar support for its GCSE and A level qualifications this autumn with online CPD sessions focusing on the productive aspects of the 2018 examination series.

To book your place or learn more, visit the [training pages](#) on the Eduqas website.

6. Guidance for teacher examiners conducting GCSE WJEC Eduqas Component 1 Speaking MFL NEA

The updated version of the Guidance will be available shortly on the website.

7. Key dates

The confirmed exam timetables including the NEA dates for the 2019 oral examinations have been finalised and published on the WJEC Eduqas [website](#).

8. Next newsletter

The next issue will be sent out in January. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please get in touch.

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