

**Introduction**

The specification for GCSE Mathematics-Numeracy in a “normal” year comprises of 2 exams, calculator, and non-calculator, which together count towards the overall award of the Mathematics-Numeracy GCSE.

Unit 1 Non-Calculator – this is a written examination as follows:

Tier	Total Time Allowed	Marks
Higher	1 hr 20min	58
Intermediate	1 hr 25min	65
Foundation	1 hr 20min	58

Unit 2 Calculator - this is a written examination as follows:

Tier	Total Time Allowed	Marks
Higher	1 hr 20min	59
Intermediate	1 hr 20min	60
Foundation	1 hr 20min	58

The marks for each paper are then added to give a total. This total is compared against the grade boundaries (which vary slightly year on year) to determine the grade.

In June 2020 WJEC announced amendments to the course due to the Covid-19 pandemic. In the WJEC publication *Adaptations to GCSEs in summer 2021* they outlined all the topics which would not be examined for the 20/21 cohort. This has been reflected in the content that has been taught to year 11 and is reflected in the assessment points shown below.

**Sources of evidence for Centre Determined Grades in Mathematics-Numeracy**

Assessment point 1 = A test using past paper exam questions combined with mathematics skills completed in lesson under **high control** on the topics studied within the first block of work. Completed the week beginning the 19<sup>th</sup> of October.

Assessment point 2 = A complete series of exam papers; Unit 1 & 2, completed in class under **high control** using WJEC mark schemes in the week beginning the 7<sup>th</sup> of December. Grade boundaries amended to reflect the proportion of i.e. B/C and D/E questions, within the paper at each tier.

Assessment point 3 = A 20-mark Microsoft Form multiple choice assignment using WJEC past exam paper questions, covering the range of grades completed at home under **low control** conditions in the week beginning the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February.

Assessment point 4 = N/A

Assessment point 5 = A complete Unit 1 Mathematics-Numeracy, Non-Calculator, adapted WJEC paper, covering all the topics taught at relevant tiers. Unit 1 is to be split in half generating 2 papers in total. These papers are to be completed in school over a series of 2 lessons under **high control**, one section per week, starting the week beginning the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March until the week ending the 16<sup>th</sup> of April.

Assessment point 6 = A complete Unit 2 Mathematics-Numeracy, Calculator, adapted WJEC paper, covering all the topics taught at relevant tiers. Unit 2 is to be split in half generating 2 papers in total. These papers are to be completed in school over a series of 2 lessons under **high control**, one section per week, starting the week beginning the 19<sup>th</sup> of April until the week ending the 30<sup>th</sup> of April.

Class work = A range of knowledge and skills are demonstrated by students in lessons Mathematics through their performance in low stakes summative assessment which includes recall tests, quizzes, verbal answers to question, small tasks carried out that are not necessarily graded or levelled and other low stakes tests such as use of online resources.