

GCSE Post-results services

Information for students

If you're not happy with your GCSE results, senior members of staff will be available on results day to discuss your results. There are several options available to you.

- Copy script – ATS
- Clerical check – EAR1
- Review of marking – EAR2

Is a review of marking the best option for me?

Before deciding to request a review of marking you should speak to your teacher. They may have additional information on how you performed during your assessment and be able to provide you with guidance.

The majority of review of marking requests does not result in a change to a grade, simply because the review of marking has shown that the original grade was accurate. However, it is possible that **your grade could go up, go down or stay the same.**

If your grade goes down, you cannot reject the review of marking and go back to the original grade. The only way to improve your grade would be to resit the exam.

Access to script

The exams officer will be able to request for the exam board to return your marked question paper on your behalf.

Your marked question paper will indicate **the number of marks you received for each question**, but may not show much more detail, such as which part of your answer was awarded credit. The examiners don't usually annotate question papers while marking.

You'll need to speak to your teacher in order to get a copy of the mark scheme or for additional help interpreting where you've been awarded marks.

EAR1

You can request a clerical check (**EAR1**). This will cost less than having a full review of marking.

- all parts of the exam paper have been marked
- marks have been recorded/added up correctly
- special consideration has been applied (where appropriate)
- the grade boundaries have been applied accurately

Candidates' marks or grades can go up, down or stay the same.

If your exam paper was marked using our onscreen marking platform, your work will be sent electronically to a senior examiner as soon as your school makes a request.

The senior examiner is able to review the marking of the exam paper online and, as soon as they submit their mark, your school will be notified of the outcome.

We aim to have the result of your review of marking back to you **within 30 days.**

To get a copy of the reviewed exam paper, you should request an Access to Script (ATS) service at the same time as submitting the EAR request. There is a fee for this additional service.

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EAR2

Check that the examiners have marked externally assessed components correctly. This includes:

- the clerical check (EAR1) service
- a review of marking of units/components by a senior examiner

This service isn't available for internally assessed/externally moderated coursework components.

Candidates' marks or grades can go up, down or stay the same.

To get a copy of the reviewed exam paper, you should request an Access to Script (ATS) service at the same time.

What happens if I'm unhappy with my mark for a controlled assessment?

Awarding Organisations can't remoderate a controlled assessment for an individual or remoderate work where the teacher's marks were not altered. Controlled assessments can be remoderated if the marks given by your teacher were changed, but **it is down to the school to decide whether to request this.**

The school will base its decision as to whether to request remoderation on **what is best for the majority of students**. The work of all students originally entered goes through the moderation process again. This means that changes made to grades during remoderation may affect all students who submitted work.

The rules around marking, moderating and remoderating coursework and controlled assessments are agreed jointly by the major UK awarding organisations. They are in place to ensure that all students are treated equally, regardless of the awarding organisation used for their subject.

Certificates

Certificates will be presented in person at the Certificate Collection Evening on Wednesday 18th November at 6.30pm. If you are unable to attend, they can be collected and signed for after this date.

Further information about the Certificate Collection Evening will be provided in your results envelope on Results Day. Certificates may be collected on behalf of a candidate by a third party, provided they have been authorised to do so.

Replacements certificates can only be accessed by contacting the awarding boards website at a cost to the candidate.

The centre retains certificates for one year.

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Fees

<i>Clerical check (EAR1)</i>	<i>Fee</i>	<i>Inc. Script</i>
Edexcel GCSE	£14.00	£14.00
AQA GCSE	£9.70	£9.70
OCR GCSE	£12.00	£12.00
WJEC GCSE	£11.00	£11.00
NCFE	£5.00	£18.50
<i>Post-results review of marking of externally assessed components (EAR2)</i>	<i>Fee</i>	<i>Inc. Script</i>
Edexcel GCSE	£50.00	£50.00
AQA GCSE	£44.85	£44.85
OCR GCSE	£67.75	£67.75
WJEC GCSE	£45.00	£45.00
NCFE	£52.00	£65.50
<i>Access to scripts Only (ATS)</i>	<i>Fee</i>	
Edexcel GCSE	Free	
AQA GCSE	Free	
OCR GCSE	Free	
WJEC GCSE	Free	
NCFE	£13.50	
<i>Access to script – Post review of marking photocopy script</i>		
Edexcel GCSE	£15.00	

Exam board deadlines

ATS only – 24/09/2026

EAR1 – 24/09/2026

EAR2 – 24/09/2026

Access to Scripts - Candidate consent form for access to and use of examination scripts



[Access to Scripts consent form](#)

Clerical re-checks, reviews of marking and appeals Candidate consent form



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