



Making Progress

Business Studies

GCSE Skills						
KS2 Bands	Old GCSE Grade	GCSE Grade	A01	A02	A03	Exam Questions
			Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of business concepts and issues.	Apply Knowledge and understanding of business concepts and issues to a variety of contexts.	Analyse and evaluate business information and issues to demonstrate understanding of business activity, make judgements and draw conclusions.	
	A*	9	Candidates recall, select and communicate detailed knowledge and thorough understanding of concepts, theories, issues and current practice in business. They understand and use business terminology accurately and appropriately.	They plan and carry out effectively a range of investigations and tasks using a wide range of skills. They apply their knowledge and critical understanding effectively to investigate business organisations in a variety of contexts, drawing conclusions and analysing the impact on wider economic issues.	Students are able to evaluate and critically examine a range of information and make reasoned conclusions that can be justified and supported using independent research. They use and evaluate quantitative and qualitative evidence effectively with a high degree of accuracy to analyse problems and issues, and make informed and reasoned judgements to present reasoned and substantiated conclusions.	They are able to structure their longer exam answers correctly and develop a well-supported argument that relates to the context of the question. They will be able to discuss other factors that may influence their answer confidently. They select appropriate business examples to support their answer.
>5.6	A*	8	Candidates recall, select and communicate detailed knowledge and thorough understanding of concepts, theories, issues and current practice in business. They understand and use business terminology accurately and appropriately.	They plan and carry out effectively a range of investigations and tasks using a wide range of skills competently. They apply their knowledge and critical understanding effectively to select and organise information from a wide range of sources, and to investigate business organisations in a variety of contexts.	Students are able to evaluate and critically examine a range of information and make reasoned conclusions They use and evaluate quantitative and qualitative evidence effectively with a high degree of accuracy to analyse problems and issues, and make informed and reasoned judgements to present reasoned and substantiated conclusions.	They are able to structure their longer exam answers correctly and develop a well-supported argument that relates to the context of the question. They will be able to discuss other factors that may influence their answer. They select an appropriate business example to support their answer.
5.2 - 5.6	A	7	Candidates recall, select and communicate detailed knowledge and good understanding of concepts, theories, issues and current practice in business. They understand and use business terminology accurately and appropriately.	They plan and carry out effectively a range of investigations and tasks using a wide range of skills competently. They apply their knowledge and critical understanding effectively to select and organise information from a wide range of sources, and to investigate business organisations in a variety of contexts.	The student is able to evaluate and examine a range of information and make reasoned conclusions. They use and evaluate quantitative and qualitative evidence effectively with a good degree of accuracy to analyse problems and issues, and make informed and reasoned judgements to present reasoned and substantiated conclusions.	They are able to structure their longer exam answers correctly and develop a well-supported argument that relates to the context of the question. They select appropriate business example to support their answer.

4.7 - 5.1	B	6	Candidates recall, select and communicate good knowledge and understanding of concepts, theories, issues and current practice in business. They use business terminology appropriately in most cases.	They plan and carry out investigations and tasks using a range of skills appropriately. They apply their knowledge and understanding to select and organise relevant information from a variety of sources to investigate business organisations in different contexts.	They use and evaluate evidence to analyse problems and issues with some accuracy, make reasoned judgements and present conclusions that are supported by evidence.	They are able to structure their longer exam answers correctly and develop a well-supported argument that relates to the context of the question. They are beginning to select an appropriate business example to support their answer.
4.2 – 4.6	B/C	5	Candidates recall, select and communicate sound knowledge and understanding of concepts, theories, issues and current practice in business. They use business terminology appropriately in most cases	They plan and carry out investigations and tasks using a range of skills appropriately. They apply their knowledge and understanding to select and organise relevant information from a variety of sources to investigate business organisations in different contexts.	They use and evaluate evidence to analyse problems and issues with some accuracy, make reasoned judgements and present conclusions that are supported by evidence.	They are able to structure their longer exam answers correctly.
3.8 – 4.1	C	4	Candidates recall, select and communicate some knowledge and understanding of concepts, theories, issues and current practice in business. They use business terminology appropriately in some cases.	They plan and carry out tasks using a limited range of skills. They apply their knowledge and understanding to select and organise relevant information from a limited number of sources to investigate business organisations in different contexts.	They use evidence to analyse problems and issues with some accuracy, make basic judgements and present some recommendations for the business example in question.	They are able to answer questions based around definitions and explanations and on occasions apply them to appropriate business examples.
3.4 – 3.7	D	3	Candidates demonstrate knowledge and understanding of some basic aspects of concepts, theories, issues and current practice in business. They communicate their ideas using everyday language. They use some basic business terminology in appropriate places.	They carry out straightforward investigations and tasks using a limited range of skills. They apply some knowledge and understanding to select and organise basic information from a limited range of sources to investigate business examples.	They identify some evidence to analyse problems and issues and make judgements. They present simple conclusions that are sometimes supported by evidence and applied to relevant examples.	They can answer questions based around definitions and explanations and attempt to apply to suitable business examples.
3.0 – 3.3	E	2	Candidates demonstrate knowledge and understanding of some basic aspects of concepts, theories, issues and current practice in business. They communicate their ideas using everyday language. They use some basic business terminology.	They carry out straightforward investigations and tasks using a limited range of skills. They apply some knowledge and understanding to select and organise basic information from a limited range of sources to investigate business organisations.	They identify some evidence to analyse problems and issues and make judgements and they present simple conclusions that are sometimes supported by evidence.	They can answer questions based around definitions and explanations
2.0- 2.9	F	1	Candidates demonstrate limited knowledge and understanding of some basic aspects of business. They communicate their ideas using everyday language. They use some basic business terminology. They can recall basic terms and definitions.	They carry out straightforward tasks using a limited range of skills. They apply some knowledge and understanding to select and organise basic information from a limited range of sources to investigate business organisations.	They identify some evidence to address problems and issues.	They can answer questions based around definitions and explanations
		W	Candidates demonstrate limited knowledge and understanding of some basic aspects of business.	They carry out straightforward tasks using a limited range of skills. They	They identify limited evidence to address problems and issues	They can answer basic definitions and explanations

			They communicate their ideas using everyday language. They can recall basic terms and definitions.	apply some knowledge and understanding		
		F	Candidates demonstrate limited knowledge and understanding of some basic aspects of business. They communicate their ideas using everyday language.	They carry out straightforward tasks using a limited range of skills. They apply some knowledge.	They identify no evidence to address problems and issues	They can answer basic definitions