Y11 Exam Information

Business GCSE

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WHERE ARE WE NOW?

Theme	Topics Included	Date Completed
Theme One	All content	Covered fully in Year 10
Theme Two	Growing the Business Marketing Decisions Operational Decisions Financial Decisions HR Decisions	Done Done Ms Butler Ms Butler Mr Davis

Plan to complete all specification content teaching before February mock exams.

4.5 weeks for solid revision and exam prep (until Easter)

After Easter, 4 full weeks of teaching available.

KEY DATES

Business GCSE MOCK 1	Paper 1: Investigating Small Business	Friday 6th November 2026	Afternoon	1h 45m
Business GCSE MOCK 2	IBS0 01 Paper 1: Investigating Small Business	TBC	TBC	1h 45m
	IBS0 02 Paper 2: Building a Business	TBC	TBC	1h 45m
Business GCSE EXAM	IBS0 01 Paper 1: Investigating Small Business	Wednesday 12th May 2027	Afternoon	1h 45m
	IBS0 02 Paper 2: Building a Business	Friday 21st May 2027	Afternoon	1h 45m

EXAM BOARD OVERVIEW

- Pearson Edexcel GCSE Business

https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/GCSE/Business/2017/specification-and-sample-assessments/gcse-business-spec-2017.pdf

- 2 papers, 100% exam
- You have 1 hour 45 minutes to complete each paper
- Paper 1 – Investigating Small Business (Theme 1)
- Paper 2 – Building a Business (Theme 2)

FORMAT OF THE GCSE PAPER

Section A: 35 marks

The paper will consist of calculations, multiple-choice, short-answer and extended-writing questions.

Section B: 30 marks
Questions in Section B will be based on business contexts given in the paper

Two Papers
each
1 hour 45 minutes

Section C: 25 marks
Questions in Section C will be based on business contexts given in the paper

Calculators may be used in the examination.

FORMAT OF THE GCSE QUESTIONS

State / Identify / Define/Calculate/Outline
1,2 or 3 marks
Some of these questions are multiple choice or multiple response questions

Explain
Worth 3 marks

Must use: Context if available and BLT

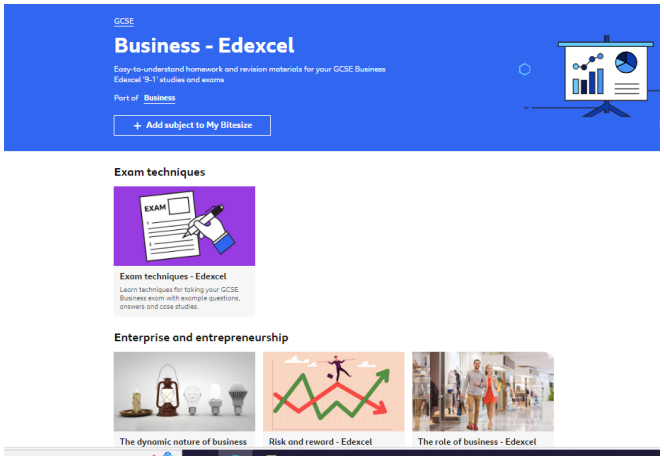
Command words used in questions

Discuss/Analyse
2 x BLT sections
Must use 5 logical chains across the full response

Justify (9 marks)/Evaluate (12 Marks)
Chose one response if there is a choice
BLT x 2
Give Answer & Conclusion

Best GCSE Business (Edexcel) Revision Resources

[GCSE Business - Edexcel - BBC Bitesize]



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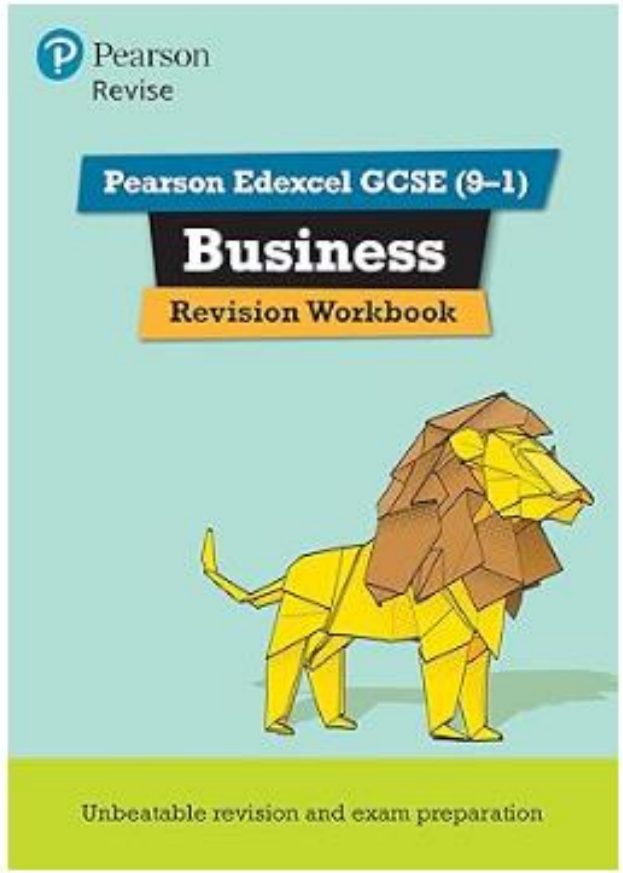

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