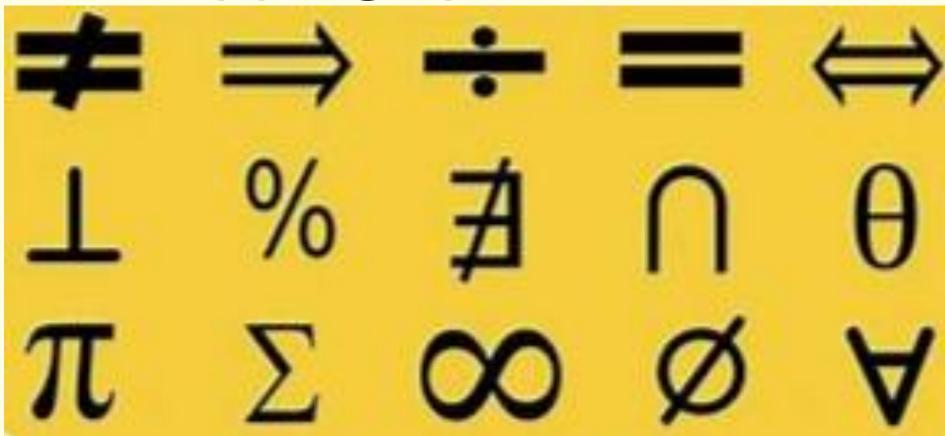
# Mathematics

Stepping up into Year 11



#### What is Involved?

The AQA GCSE Mathematics exam involves a range of mathematical concepts and skills. Students are assessed on topics such as:

- Number: Understanding and manipulating numbers, including percentages and ratios.
- Algebra: Solving equations and working with algebraic expressions.
- Ratio, proportion, and rates of change: Applying mathematical relationships to real-world problems.
- Geometry and measures: Working with shapes and spatial relationships.
- Probability: Understanding the likelihood of different outcomes.
- Statistics: Analyzing data and making inferences.

There are 3 papers – Each 1 hour and 30 minutes – 2 of which are calculator papers, covering a variety of skills and topics.

## **Exam Structure**

3 x 90 minute papers

Paper 1 – Non-Calculator – 80 marks max – No Multiple Choice

Paper 2 - Calculator allowed - 80 marks max - No Multiple Choice

Paper 3 - Calculator allowed - 80 marks max - No Multiple Choice

#### **Total / 240**

### **Barriers To Success**



**Lack of Confidence** 

- Saying I can't do maths
- Not trying a question
- Practice, Practice,
   Practice this will
   improve confidence
- Try every question –
   one mark is better
   than no marks.

#### **Improve Confidence**

- Complete your
   Mathswatch paper
   every week these
   are shadow papers of
   real papers.
- Attend Intervention
   Sessions Every
   Thursday (Week B) –
   3.05 4pm
- Attend Flying Start –
   Every Monday and
   Friday 8am 8.30am

#### **Barriers To Success**



#### **No Method**

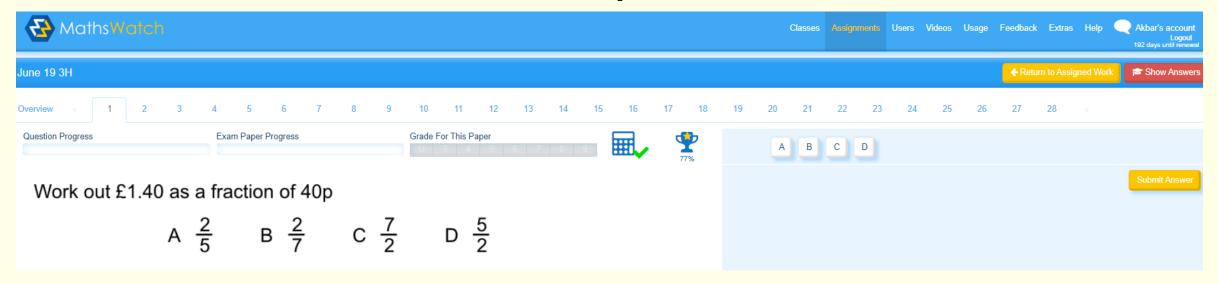
- Full clear method needs to be shown on all questions, including when using a calculator.
- Illegible and scattered method is one of the key concerns of examiners in the latest exams.



# No Calculator in lessons or exams

Different models of calculators work in different ways and do different things, it is important that pupils know the calculator they are going to use in their exams.

## Mathswatch AQA Papers



These are to be completed on a weekly basis, with teachers setting pupils a minimum expectation, this is to ensure that all pupils fulfill their. potential

# **MOCK EXAMS**

November 2025 – Full mock – QLAs to follow – students **MUST** act on these – Mathswatch/ Maths Genie/ Corbett Maths

March 2026 – Full final mock – QLAs again to follow – again students
 MUST act on these – Mathswatch/ Maths Genie/ Corbett Maths

• Around early April/May 2026 ...... predicted papers appear online, on websites such as Corbett Maths and Onmaths – students should complete all of these asap, and bring any queries to their maths teacher

All students have been emailed a revision list for their November exams, I have some printed copies available for you to collect from me at the end of this talk along with some revision posters if you wish.

9to1 AQA Summer2018 GCSE 1F																				
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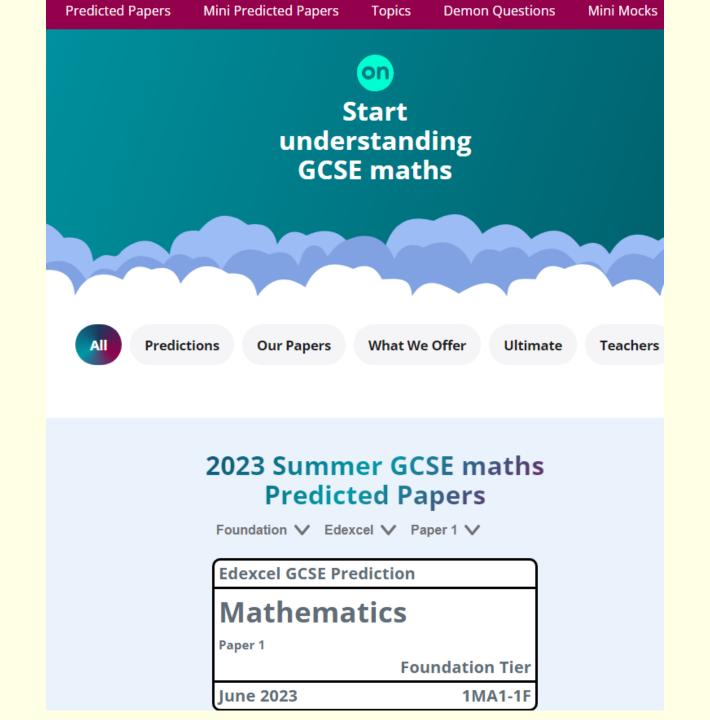
#### September assessment

Foundation paper

Name:...

My total score:.....

Question	Marks	Му	Topic	Mathswatch
No.	available	Score		Clip No.
q1	1		Fraction of amounts	72
q3	1		Simplifying expressions	134
q5	2		Percentages of amounts	87
q7	2		Area in a context	53
q9	2		Time	6
q11	6		Problem solving with money	22a
q13a	2		Sample space diagram	126
q13b	1		Probability	59
q13c	2		Problem solving sample space	126
q15	2		Expressions	134
q17	1		Substitution	95
q19	2		Fractions to percentages	85
q21a	2		Reflection	48
q21b	2		Rotation	49
q23	3		Plan and elevations	51
q25	3		Fractions	71
q27a	1		Relative frequency	125
q27b	1		Probability reasoning	125
q29	3		Range & fractions	62 & 71
q31	4		Perimeter in a context	52



## Why success in maths is crucial

• If you do not achieve at least a Grade 4, you will **HAVE** to resit your Maths GCSE at college in November. If you do not achieve at least a grade 4 in that resit exam, you will **HAVE** to resit it again in June. This will continue until you make the grade

Same is true for English Language

 You should be aiming to at least meet your minimum target grade in each subject

## We are here to support you!

- Thursday afternoon Maths Intervention (Week B)
- Flying Start Every Monday and Friday 8am 8.30am
- Easter booster classes
- Weekly Mathswatch exam papers set
- GCSE Past papers regular practice (available from the pigeonholes in the foyer)
- Mathswatch revision videos

### Intervention – 9<sup>th</sup> October

- Miss Baggott Cumulative Frequency and Box Plots
- Mrs Brown Simultaneous Equations
- Ms Masih Surds
- Mr Price Area problem solving
- Ms Ashunombi Straight Line Graphs
- Mr Thompson Averages
- Mr Blackham Forming and solving equations

The intervention you attend should be on a topic you need to improve from your year 10 exams, it does not need to be with your own class teacher.

## GCSE Maths exam dates

Paper 1
Thursday 14 May 2026 (AM)

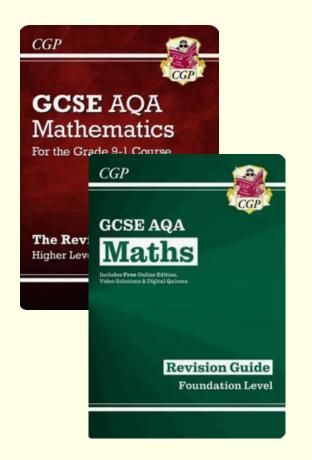
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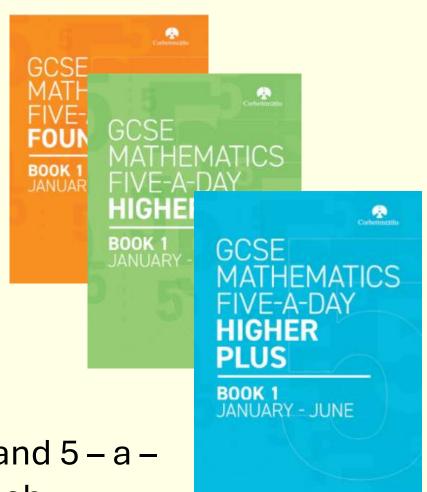
Wednesday 3 June 2026 (AM)

Paper 3

Wednesday 10 June 2026 (AM)

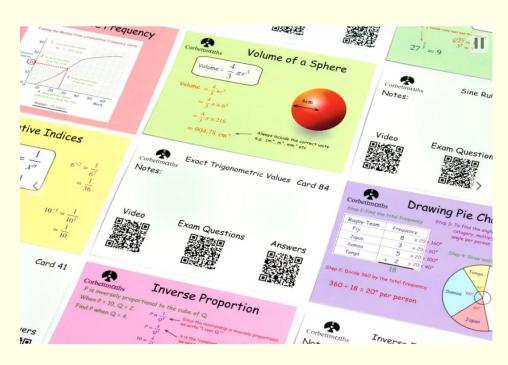
### **Resources Available**





Revision Guides and 5 - a -day books - £3 each.

Available from your maths teacher



Higher Revision Cards - £5 each set.

Available from your maths teacher



Maths Genie

GCSE Revision

GCSE Papers ▼







AQA GCSE Maths Collection

