

GCE AS & ADVANCED LEVEL

Guide to Courses and Exams

○ AS and A Level (2008 Specifications)

GCE Advanced Level exams (2008 specifications) are divided into Advanced Subsidiary (AS) and Advanced Level (A2) Modules. Each module is subdivided into three units, assessed by an exam paper or by coursework, so that you take **six units** for an Advanced Level. You can take AS as a qualification in its own right. You can take AS one year and A2 the next or you can take AS and A2 at one exam series. Within each Module there is often a wide choice of units and topics. You do not need to study the subject to GCSE Level first. If you are not sure about going for full A Level, take AS first. For private candidates, we select exam-only units or those coursework units which are available to private candidates.

New specifications are introduced from the June 2009 exams. (See Page 2.) You can take the existing exams up to June 2009 (AS) and January 2010 (A2). The new qualifications are not compatible with the 2008 specifications, that is if you pass your AS under the 2008 or earlier specification you need to take the 2008 A2 for the full Advanced Level

○ Modular Courses

Our courses for GCE are provided by Greenfields, Law Tutors and The Lakeland Law course. For Modular AS and ALs, each course unit is divided into three parts:

- **Tutorial** - taking you through the unit with explanations, summaries, exercises and suggestions for further reading
- **Examination Practice** – guidance on the type of questions set in the exam, with worked examples
- **Assignment** – for marking by your Tutor.

For a full AL course, we provide one or more core texts to give you cover of the subject and a basis for your reading.

Subjects

We offer the following subjects for 2008 Specifications:

Classical Civilisation	AQA	Law	AQA
Government & Politics	Edexcel	Not available	Psychology B AQA
History	Edexcel	Archaeology	AQA AS

○ PRICES for courses (including VAT)

- AS or A2 (three units): £165 (without textbook)
- Advanced Level (AS + A2) £315 (with up to two recommended textbooks)

By instalments: (add P&P to your deposit if you are paying by instalments)

AS or A2: deposit £55 and 4 payments of £30 (Course price £175)
 Advanced Level (AS + A2) £105 and 4 payments of £55 (Course price £325)
 Longer payment plans available by – ask for details from our Enrolment Office.

EXAMINATIONS

Exams for GCE AS and A2 are held in June and January. You can check the timetables from the examination boards' websites. Wherever practicable, the examination board timetables unit tests consecutively, i.e. you may take two short tests consecutively on one morning or on one afternoon. Please note that you are responsible for arranging to take your exam as an external or private candidate at a local college. Or you can take the exam at the Open Centres offered by the examination consortia. You should be prepared to travel in order to take your exam. We provide more detailed information on enrolment. However, you will find it useful to apply to the examination consortia for a list of examination centres (although these change from one exam to the next), together with a brochure giving information for private candidates and a publications catalogue. Note that our course prices do not include your exam fees.

○ AQA (Assessment & Qualifications Alliance)

There are two addresses, depending on whether you are north or south of a line drawn from The Wash to the Bristol Channel.

- Stag Hill House GUILDFORD GU2 5XJ 01483 477 887 OR:
- Devas Street MANCHESTER M15 6EX 0161 953 1180

www.aqa.org.uk

Apply to AQA for a copy of the publication *Information for Private Candidates*. If you have a London address, AQA will also send you details of the London Open Centre. The Open Centre will assess any Centre-assessed coursework for private candidates, unless your local centre is willing to do it for you. Externally-assessed coursework is marked by AQA.

Exam fees: allow £35-£40 per module plus local centre fee (this varies between £30-£50).
London Open Centre Registration fee: £75

Note: AQA exams are not available to private candidates outside the UK.

○ Edexcel

Stewart House, 32 Russell Square LONDON WC1B 5DN tel 0870 240 9800 (Private Candidates section) www.edexcel.org.uk

Apply to Edexcel for a copy of its publication *Information for Private Candidates*.

Publications are available from Edexcel Publications, Bellamy Road, MANSFIELD NG18 4LN tel 01623 467 467. Exam fees: allow £35-40 per module plus local centre fee (£30-£50).

Edexcel's Open Centre in London is not operating at present until new accommodation is obtained.

GCE from 2009/10

New GCE specifications are introduced from 2009/10, with courses to start in September 2008. The new GCEs comprise **four units** instead of six. Much of their content remains the same as now, though updated. The *last* exams for the present specifications will be held as follows:

June 2009 for AS units

January 2010 for A2 units.

If you are starting study now, you may prefer to start with the new 2009 specifications. Courses are now becoming available. Please contact us for further details.

Archaeology

GCE AS Level (2008 Specification)

○ Archaeology is the study of past human societies from the investigation of their material remains. It is a fascinating and developing subject, with new discoveries being made all the time as techniques improve. This course will help you acquire a sound understanding of archaeological sources and methods. You can study it for interest or you can take the GCE AS examination as an external candidate (if you are not attending college). Note: last full AS exam for this specification June 2008 (then re-sits only).

Awarding Body

AQA (AS 5011)

Entry

There are no entry requirements for this course.

Estimated Study Time:

6-9 months

Unit 1: Archaeological Sources & Methods – Survey & Excavation

Unit 2: Archaeological Sources & Methods – Post-Excavation, Dating & Interpretation

Unit 3: Archaeological Theme A: Religion & Ritual based on (a) Prehistoric Britain; or (b) Ancient Egypt; or (c) The Roman World; or (d) The Maya. We offer (a) – other options may become available later.

Specification

Assessment is by written examination.

○ **COURSE PROVIDER**

GREENFIELDS

Study Guides specially written for this specification by Dr Ryan Rabett, who is an experienced archaeologist with a particular interest in the Paleolithic period.

Course includes

- Course Guide
- Study Guide for each unit including explanations and recommended reading
- 3 Tutor-Assessed Assignments
- Suggested Solutions
- Tutor Support
- 12-month service contract or to nearest exam (renewable).

○ **PRICE:** £165 or

By instalments: Deposit £55 and 4 payments of £30 (total £175)

Note: textbooks are not included in the course price. The main recommended textbook, *The Archaeology Course Book* (Grant), is widely available and can also be purchased from us.

⇒ **TO ENROL:**

Complete the enclosed enrolment form and send with payment to:

The Distance Learning Partnership FREEPOST SEA9262 West Horsley LEATHERHEAD KT24 6BR

Or tel 01483 28 5626 for credit card enrolment. Or enrol on our website

www.distancelearningpartnership.co.uk

Classical Civilisation (2008 Specification)

The classical world contains the foundations of modern society – democracy, art & literature, philosophy, war and empire. Note: last full AS exam for this specification June 2008, A2 exam June 2009 (re-sits only afterwards)

Awarding Body

AQA (AS 5021 A2 6021)

Specification

Assessment is by a mixture of examination and coursework. The coursework units are available to private candidates. Advice on coursework is included in the relevant units.

AS (Last exam June 2009)

Unit 1: Greek & Roman History & Society – *Athenian Democracy*

Unit 2: Greek & Roman Literature – *Homer, The Iliad*

Unit 3: Centre-Assessed Coursework – *Greek Imperialism in the 5th Century BC*

A2 (Last exam Jan 2010)

Unit 4: Greek History & Culture – *Greek Tragedy*

Unit 5: Roman History & Culture – *Vergil, Aeneid*

Unit 6: Centre-Assessed Coursework – one from *Alexander the Great*, or *Socrates & Athens*.

For private candidates, coursework is assessed by AQA. No knowledge of Latin or Greek is required.

COURSE PROVIDER **GREENFIELDS**

Course includes:

- Course Guide
- Study Guides for each unit including summaries, notes and recommended reading
- 6 Tutor-Assessed Assignments
- Suggested Solutions
- Tutor support
- Core textbook with full AL: *The Oxford Illustrated History of Greece & The Hellenistic World* (note: an alternative text may be provided if supplies are not available)
- 2-year service contract for AL, 1-year contract for AS or A2 taken separately or to nearest exam.

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Government & Politics

Learn about our Constitution and how government works – elections, devolution, the EU. This course provides a foundation for anyone who is interested in our democratic system. Our course for the 2008 specification **is no longer available**. Courses for the 2009 specification will be available shortly.

Awarding Body

Edexcel (AS 8067 A2 9067-9070)

Specification (2008)

Assessment is by examination and no coursework is required.

AS

Unit 1: 6491 People & Politics
Unit 2: 6492 Governing the UK
Unit 3: 6493 The Changing UK System

A2

Unit 4: 6494 UK Political Issues
Unit 5: 6495 EU and European Issues
Unit 6: 6496 Policy-making in the UK

○ COURSE PROVIDER GREENFIELDS

Open learning Units sourced from NEC. Course Tutor Dr Rosie Campbell *BA MSc PhD* who is a lecturer at Birkbeck College, London.

Course includes:

- Course Guide
- Study Guides for each unit including summaries, notes and recommended reading
- 6 Tutor-Assessed Assignments
- Suggested Solutions
- Tutor support
- Core textbook with full AL: B Jones, *Politics UK*
- 2-year service contract for AL, 1-year for AS or A2 taken separately

Overseas students: Add P&P as follows:

AS or A2	£7.50
AS + A2	£15.00

ENROLMENTS CLOSED FOR 2008 Specifications

History: Early Modern & Modern

○ We offer a wider choice of units in Early Modern and Modern History than anyone else. The courses below are for the 2008 Specifications. Contact us for details of courses for the 2009 Specifications.

Awarding Body

Edexcel (AS 8264 A2 9264) 2008 Specifications.

Note that you must select at least ONE European unit or at least ONE English unit to qualify for an Advanced Level award. The units are assessed by examination only – no coursework is required.

Early Modern History (The Tudors)

AS (to June 2009)

Unit 1: 6521A *Securing the Tudor Dynasty – the Reign of Henry VII*

Unit 2: 6522A (i) *The King's Faithful Servant? The Age of Wolsey (1509-29)* OR:

6522A (ii) *Personal Rule & The Crisis of Monarchy, 1629-42* OR:

5622C (i) *Luther and the Reformation in Germany 1517-55 (European option)* OR

6522C (ii) *Meeting the Challenge - The Catholic Reformation to 1563(European option)*

Unit 3: 6523A (i) *A Very English Reformation – The Church & Henry VIII, 1529-47*

A2 (to Jan 2010)

Unit 4: 6524A (i) *Settlement & Security – Elizabethan England, 1558-88* OR: 6524D (i) *Calvin & Calvinism to 1572(European option)*

Unit 5: 6525A *The Tudor State, 1485-1603*

Unit 6: 6526A: *The Crisis of the Tudor State, 1547-58*

Note that you have a choice of modules for Units 2, 3 and 4 but remember that you need to select at least ONE European unit if your aim is an Advanced Level GCE. Write your choices on the enrolment form.

Course includes:

- Course Guide
- Comprehensive Study Guides with detailed analysis and recommended reading
- Two core textbooks: John Guy, *Tudor England*; and Andrew Chibi, *The European Reformation* supplied with full AL Dr Chibi is also the Course Tutor.
- 6 Tutor-Assessed Assignments
- Suggested Solutions
- Tutor helpline
- 2-year service contract for AL, 1-year for AS or A2 taken separately or to nearest exam

○ **COURSE PROVIDER**
GREENFIELDS

⇒ See overleaf for Modern History units

Modern History (19th & Early 20th Centuries)

Courses withdrawn are **no longer available**. **Alternative units** are available in some cases as shown.

AS to June 2009

Unit 1 6521F *National Socialism in Germany to 1933 (European)* – **withdrawn**

Or: Unit 1: 6521D *Votes for Women, 1880-1918*;

Unit 2: 6522B (i) *Welfare & The Constitution, Liberal Governments, 1905-1915* – **withdrawn**

Or: Unit 2: 6522 (i) *The Road to Unification, Italy 1848-70*

Unit 3: 6523B (ii) *Responding to Reform - Party & Policy in the Age of Gladstone & Disraeli 1867-85*- **withdrawn**

A2 to Jan 2010

Unit 4: 6524F (ii) *German Foreign Policy 1933-39 (European option)* - **withdrawn**

Unit 5: 6525C *Representation & Democracy in Great Britain, 1830-1931*- **withdrawn**

Unit 6: 6526E *The Nazi State 1933-45 (European option)*- **withdrawn**

OR: Unit 6 6525C *Radicalism & The British State, The Chartist Experience 1838-50*

○ COURSE PROVIDER *Greenfields*

Course includes:

- Course Guide
- Comprehensive Study Guides with detailed analysis and recommended reading
- Two textbooks with full AL: *Years of Weimar & the Third Reich* (Evans & Jenkins) and *History for AS Level 1867-1918* (People & Lancaster). Offer may vary according to publications available/in print.
- 6 Tutor-Assessed Assignments
- Suggested Solutions
- Tutor helpline
- 2-year service contract for AL, 1-year for AS or A2 taken separately.

£ PRICES

AS or A2 (three units): £165 (without textbooks) Additional units: £15 each

Advanced Level (AS + A2) £315 (with up to two recommended textbooks)

Overseas Post & Packing AS or A2 £7.50 AS + A2 £15.00

By instalments (UK only):

AS or A2: deposit £55 and 4 payments of £30 (Course price £175)

Advanced Level (AS + A2) £105 and 4 payments of £55 (Course price £325)

HOW TO ENROL (continued units)

Complete the enclosed enrolment form and send with payment (or deposit and completed Bankers Standing Order form) to:

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FREEPOST SEA9262 West Horsley
LEATHERHEAD KT24 6BR

Overseas: PO Box 52 East Horsley
GREAT BRITAIN KT24 6YQ

Or telephone: 01483 28 5626 for credit card payment. Or enrol online.

GCE AS & AL Law

Awarding Body

AQA (AS 5161 A2 6161)

Specification (2008)

Assessment is by **examination only**, and no coursework is required. The individual units are as follows. Note that you have a choice in Units 4 and 5.

AS to June 2009

Unit 1: *Law Making*

Unit 2: *Dispute Solving*

Unit 3: *The Concept of Liability*

A2 to January 2010

Unit 4: ONE from *Criminal Law (Offences Against the Person)* OR: *Contract Law*

Unit 5: ONE from *Criminal Law (Offences Against Property)*; OR: *Law of Tort*

Unit 6: *Concept of Law*

Overseas students: GCE Law (Edexcel International syllabus) is available (overseas only) – please ask for further details.

☆ Today I received the results for all my complete A Level Law exams and very happy to tell you that I have an A grade. Out of 600 points, I gained a total of 566...At 37 – I am very proud of myself... I am continuing my education...and hope to qualify as a solicitor in the sometime distant future!

Helen, Birmingham, 2005

○ COURSE PROVIDER

LAW TUTORS PARTNERSHIP

with course material for AS Level sourced from **The Lakeland Law Course**



Course includes:

- Course Guide
- Comprehensive Study Guides with detailed analysis and recommended reading
- Introductory textbook with full AL: M Hunt, *AS and AL Law*
- 6 Tutor-Assessed Assignments, three at each level
- Suggested Solutions
- Tutor helpline
- 2-year service contract for AL, 1-year for AS or A2 taken separately

○ TUTORS FOR AS and AL LAW

Martin Burr *MA Dip Comp Phil Barrister*

Julie Beisner *LLB*

Phillip Taylor *MBE LLB Barrister*

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Psychology

Awarding Body

AQA (Psychology B AS 5186 A2 6186) January and June Exam (but check availability of individual units for January)

Specification to June 2009 (AS) Jan 2010 (A2)

Assessment is by examination and coursework. This specification **is available to private candidates in the UK**. The course includes suggested topics for coursework, or you can agree a topic of your own with your Tutor. Your coursework must be your own work but your Tutor will offer guidance on topic and methodology and can also authenticate your work.

AS

Unit 1: **Introduction to Psychology:** *Biological approach; Methods of research; Data; Gender.*

Unit 2: **Social & Cognitive Psychology:**

Attitudes; Social Influence; Cognition; Sport;

Perception; Remembering and Forgetting;

Language & Thinking; Cognition and Law.

Unit 3: **Practical Investigation** – AQA (externally) assessed coursework

of Atypical Behaviour: *Definition; Anxiety &*

Eating Disorders; Mood & Schizophrenia;

*Treatments; or **Health Psychology:** Health &*

Illness; Psychological Aspects; Lifestyles; Stress; or

Contemporary Topics: *Human Relationships;*

Parapsychology; Substance Abuse; Criminological

Psychology.

Unit 5: **Perspectives, Debates & Methods:**

Behaviourist, Cognitive, Psychoanalytic; Scientific

Approach; Debates; Inferential Statistics

Unit 6: **Report:** Centre-Assessed Coursework

(assessed by AQA for external candidates).

A2

Unit 4: A - **Child Development:** *Social;*

*Cognitive; Moral; Exception; and B – **Psychology***

○ COURSE PROVIDER **GREENFIELDS**

Well-established source material from Hartshill Press with additional material for assignments from Greenfields.

Course includes:

- Course Guide
- Comprehensive Study Guides with detailed analysis and recommended reading
- Corel textbook: R Goss, *Psychology*
- 4 Tutor-Assessed Assignments plus consultation and guidance on your coursework
- Suggested Solutions
- Tutor helpline
- 2-year service contract

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COST EFFECTIVE DISTANCE LEARNING

For copies of this Course Information or for **catalogue information** for any of our courses please contact:

- **Course Adviser** 0208 944 3125 or e-mail dlp@rrc.co.uk

For further information about any of the courses, for information about GCE courses from 2009/10 or for personal consultation about your study requirements please contact:

- **Director of Studies**

Enrolment Office 01483 28 5626 or e-mail gcetutor@aol.com
PO Box 52 East Horsley KT24 6YQ

See note about GCE from 2009/10 on Page 2 of this catalogue. Courses based on 2009 specifications are being introduced and Course Information will be added to our website as they become available.

For **online versions** of some of Early Modern History courses please access:

- www.college-on-the-net.co.uk

For the **full range of our courses** please access:

- www.distancelearningpartnership.co.uk

Online enrolment and secure payment facility available for most courses.

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