



Curriculum Information 2017-18

BUSINESS STUDIES and ECONOMICS

1. Key Stage 4

GCSE Business and Economics Topics						[Mr Lonergan / Mr Alonge]
	Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3	Topic 4	Topic 5	Topic 6
Year 10	Topic 1.1 Enterprise and entrepreneurship	Topic 1.2 Spotting a business opportunity	Topic 1.3 Putting a business idea into practice	Topic 1.4 Making the business effective	Topic 1.5 Understanding external influences on business	Enhancement activity – Theme 1 Exam skills/end of Theme 1 exam
Year 11	Topic 2.1 Growing the business	Topic 2.2 Making marketing decisions	Topic 2.3 Making operational decisions	Topic 2.4 Making financial decisions	Topic 2.5 Making human resource decisions	<i>Public exams</i>

GCSE BUSINESS & ECONOMICS Assessment:

Term	Year 10	Year 11 (old Spec)
Autumn	Topic 1 and Topic 2 assessment / past paper	Pre-public exams: 04-15.12.17
Spring	Topic 3, Topic 4 and Topic 5 assessment / past paper	Unit 5 – Past paper / Unit 1- Past paper
Summer	Pre-public exams: 09-20.07.18	Public exam dates: Unit 1 / 23 May 2018 - Unit 5 / 6 June 2018



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LIBF Finance topics							[Mr Moss]
Unit 1 (Sept.- Jan. 2018)							
Year 11	Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3	Topic 4	Topic 5	Topic 6	
	What it means to be a citizen	The personal life cycle	What is money?	What is income?	Understanding tax	How the economic system works	
	Topic 7	Topic 8	Topic 9	Topic 10	Topic 11		
	The economic impact of personal financial choices	How inflation and interest rates impact on personal finance	Impacts of economic cycles and demographic changes	Foreign exchange rates and trade	The personal life cycle		
Unit 2 (Revision April – June 2018)							
Year 11	Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3	Topic 4	Topic 5	Topic 6	
	Financial planning and money management	Different plans for different people	Planning for now and for the future	Budgeting	What can affect a budget?	Personal budgets and spending choices	
	Topic 7	Topic 8	Topic 9	Topic 10	Topic 11		
	Using tools to manage money	Pay and tax	The real cost of spending	Borrowing products	The implications of borrowing		
Unit 3 (September 2017 – June -2018)							
Year 11	Topic 1	Topic 2	Topic 3	Topic 4	Topic 5	Topic 6	
	Introduction to financial capability, work and enterprise	Enterprise and entrepreneurs	Business banking and budgeting	How fraud, theft and taxation affect business	People and business	How businesses affect society	
	Topic 7						
	How people's economic choices affect society						



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LIBF FINANCE Assessment:

Term	Year 10	Year 11
Autumn	Internal assessment Unit 1	Pre-public exams: 04-15.12.17
Spring	Internal assessment unit 1	Internal assessment unit 2 and internal assessment unit 3
Summer	Pre-public exams: 09-20.07.18	Public exam dates: May / June 2018



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KS4 How to support your son at home		Business and Economics
What sorts of independent work / homework will he get?	How you can help	Useful resources and links
Regular homework and extension exercises provided on the VLE. LIBF website also has resources and activities to support learning	Encourage the use of the LIBF website for Finance Encourage the use of resources on the edexcel website for Business studies	Exam board course link: http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/home.html Recommended revision guide: GCSE (9-1) Business 9781292190716

2. Assessment Criteria

STEPS to success criteria			Business
Strand	A student on Step 1 can	A student on Step 5 can	A student on Step 9 can
Business decision making	Apply knowledge and understanding to business decision making, including: the interdependent nature of business activity, influences on business, business operations, finance, marketing and human resources; and how these interdependencies underpin business decision making	Develop problem-solving and decision-making skills relevant to business; investigate, analyse and evaluate business opportunities and issues. How different business contexts affect business decisions the use and limitation of quantitative and qualitative data in making business decisions	Make justified decisions using both qualitative and quantitative data, including its selection, interpretation, analysis and evaluation, and the application of appropriate quantitative skills.
Business contexts	Use business terminology to identify and explain business activity	Apply knowledge and understanding to different business contexts. These include businesses ranging from small enterprises to large multinationals and businesses operating in local, national and global contexts	Develop an understanding of how these contexts impact on business behaviour apply business concepts to familiar and unfamiliar contexts.