



# AS/A Level Portuguese

(Available for teaching from September 2008)

**This specification develops an interest in, and enthusiasm for language learning. It helps candidates further develop the skills of listening, reading and writing at a level beyond GCSE.** They learn about the culture of countries where Portuguese is spoken and become able to communicate with people in these countries.



## **What are the benefits to me and my students of delivering this OCR specification?**

- This specification builds on best practice at GCSE and provides interesting and meaningful assessment.
- The specification aims to provide a coherent course of study for all students as well as a good basis for further study of languages at higher education.
- There is a new element to this qualification: listening features in both AS and A level and gives candidates an opportunity to demonstrate their ability in this skill.
- Topics for study have been streamlined and it is no longer a requirement to specifically assess knowledge of target language country/community.

## AS Level

Unit title	Description	Mandatory/Optional?
Listening, Reading and Writing 1	Topics include aspects of daily life, leisure and entertainment, communication and media, education and training. Activities are listening, reading, writing and responding in Portuguese/English.	Mandatory

## A2 Level

Unit title	Description	Mandatory/Optional?
Listening, Reading and Writing 2	Topics include society, the environment, science and technology and culture. Activities are listening, reading, writing and responding in Portuguese/English.	Mandatory

### How is this qualification assessed?

All units are externally assessed.

Examination series are available every June.

#### Dates of first examinations

##### AS

First examination available from June 2009.

##### A2

First examination available from June 2010.

### What support will I receive?

#### Training

A series of INSET events will be run annually to support this specification.

#### Resources

The following resources will be downloadable from the OCR website – [www.ocr.org.uk](http://www.ocr.org.uk)

- Updated resource lists in the new specification
- Overviews of possible teaching programmes for both the AS and A level
- Specimen Assessment Material for both units.

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