



General Certificate of Education

**Applied Art and Design
(8511, 8513, 8516, 8517, 8519)**

ADA6-ADF6 Option unit

Report on the Examination

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ADA6-AF6 – Option Unit

ADO6 consists of a series of six optional units of which candidates choose one. Centres should keep in mind that the requirement for a short report on progression routes and career opportunities has moved from ADO5 to ADO6; and that all options now have this requirement specific to the specialism chosen.

Some centres allowed candidates free choice from the options specified in AD06 whilst other centres limited candidates' choice of option dependent on the resources and staff they had available. Candidates should make clear which brief they are working to (either real or simulated) and remember that the brief should cover the bullet points listed in the detail for each option in the specification. It is important that centres check the requirements of particular options, encourage candidates to work in a vocational way, respond to the wishes of the client and follow the constraints set.

Unfortunately, this series, some centres entered candidates for the wrong option and centres are therefore advised that options should be checked before final entries are made.

Option ADE6 Textile art and fashion was popular this series and candidates had researched textile artists well with evidence of samples and swatches being created from more unusual materials such as wood, wire mesh, lace, etc. More candidates used screenshots to good advantage when explaining their developmental graphics work. This was quite often evaluative and included discussion of changes and was therefore a very useful method to adopt.

Mark Ranges and Award of Grades

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