

Our 3 Stage Controlled Assessment Support Service

Stage 1 – Understanding controlled assessment

Stage 1 of our support service ensures that you fully understand the changes to internal assessment. We will make sure that you are aware of the requirements and that you are supported in managing controlled assessment in citizenship studies.

Getting started with the Edexcel Teacher's Guide >>>>>>

To get you started, we have given extensive guidance on controlled assessment in the Teacher's Guide, which you received with your specification. This outlines what controlled assessment is and gives you an overview of how best to manage the change from coursework to controlled assessment.

Local network meetings with a senior moderator >>>>>>

We will hold controlled assessment local network meetings from the beginning of 2010, where you'll have the opportunity to meet with senior citizenship studies moderators face-to-face and network with other citizenship studies teachers from your area. You will be able to look at real examples of student work, mark the work for yourself, and then talk through the marks with a senior moderator.

All the information you need at your fingertips >>>>>>

In case you're unable to attend your local network meeting, we will also offer live interactive online events during which a senior citizenship studies moderator will answer your questions. You will have the opportunity to view a recording of these events at your convenience.



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Stage 2 – Delivering controlled assessment

Stage 2 of our support service ensures that your issues are addressed as and when they arise and that practical help is on hand when you need it.

Tasks available as early as possible to help you prepare >>>>>>

We will make the controlled assessment tasks available to you as early as possible to give you time to identify any queries you may have before setting the tasks. Tasks will be available to download from Edexcel Online at the start of the Autumn Term in 2009 for Unit 2 and in Autumn 2010 for Unit 4.

Help at hand from our experts when you need it >>>>>>

Simply call **0844 576 0027** with any questions you may have about our specification or teaching citizenship studies. Additionally, from February 2009 you will be able to email your controlled assessment queries directly to senior moderators. This will ensure that you are fully supported in delivering controlled assessment.

Comprehensive resources and support materials >>>>>>

To help you deliver the specification we'll provide comprehensive published resources for you to use in the classroom. With teaching resources matched to the specification and written by our experts and subject specialists, you can be confident that you're fully prepared and covering all the necessary content. To find out more and to order your **FREE evaluation pack** visit www.edexcel.com/gcse-subjectresources



Stage 3 – Assessing controlled assessment

Stage 3 of our support service ensures that you can mark each student's work confidently and accurately, making sure that there are no surprises when it comes to results day.

Student exemplars with senior moderator commentary >>>>>>

We will provide you with actual students' work marked by a senior moderator and containing their commentary to explain the standard (or marks) achieved. You will have access to these exemplars by unit from the beginning of the academic year in which that unit is first assessed, so that you can mark confidently and accurately. These will be made available on Edexcel Online.

Free online citizenship studies community to help you mark with confidence >>>>>>

From the beginning of 2009, you will be able to discuss marking with your peers in our online citizenship studies community. You will also be able to view a series of podcasts answering your frequently asked questions.

Easy-to-use assessment grids and ongoing support >>>>>>

When it comes to marking your students' work, we are committed to ensuring you have all the support you need, including easy-to-use assessment and marking grids and access to our subject experts. So if you have a question or are uncertain about any aspect of your students' work, help is at hand.

For more information on GCSE Citizenship Studies please visit www.edexcel.com/gcse2009 or call 0844 576 0027.