



# GCSE ICT Short Course

## When can the units be assessed?



You now have choices on when you can assess each unit.  
Below are three options you may like to consider.

### Option 1 – Want to sit the exam first?

June 2011	Or complete in	January 2012	June 2012	Advantages
Unit 1 – Exam		Unit 1 – Exam	Unit 2 – Controlled Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Get the exam mark banked</li> <li>• If a student did not perform well they could re-sit the exam in either January or June 2012 and the best exam mark will count towards the qualification</li> <li>• Have more time to do the controlled assessment unit</li> </ul>
40%		40%	60%	

### Option 2 – Want to get all of the Controlled Assessment completed first?

June 2011	January 2012	Or complete in	June 2012	Advantages
Unit 2 – Controlled Assessment	Unit 1 – Exam		Unit 1 – Exam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Get the Controlled Assessment mark banked</li> <li>• Students have the opportunity to re-sit Unit 2 alongside the exam in June 2012</li> <li>• Students have the opportunity to re-sit Unit 1 in June 2012 however, due to the 40% rule, the re-sit mark will count towards the qualification</li> </ul>
60%	40%		40%	

### Option 3 – Want to do all the assessment at the end?

June 2011	January 2012	June 2012	Advantages
N/A	N/A	Unit 1 – Exam Unit 2 – Controlled Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do the assessment all at once</li> <li>• Have more time to prepare</li> </ul>
		100%	

### Assessment Overview

Unit 1 – Exam 40%

Unit 2 – Controlled Assessment 60%

- Can only certificate in June 2012
- There will be one assignment for Unit 2 and it will change every year

### 40% Rule:

At least 40% of the assessment must be taken at the end of the course

### Availability of units

	Unit 1	Unit 2
June 2011	✓	✓
January 2012	✓	
June 2012	✓	✓
each January thereafter	✓	
each June thereafter	✓	✓