

## GCSE Information - Photography

Exam board	<b>AQA GCSE Art &amp; Design: Photography</b>
Units / papers students are entered for	<b>Externally Set Assignment</b>
Key Assessment Dates	Autumn Term 1: Coursework Autumn Term 2: Coursework Spring 1: Coursework Spring 2: Coursework
Topics covered in Yr10 Autumn term	<b>Photography Basics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to the course</li> <li>• Key information given on the DSLR body and lens, focusing and print quality.</li> <li>• Altering the resolution of images and working with Apertures.</li> <li>• Using and experimenting with shutter speeds, ISO settings.</li> <li>• Compositional rules and response</li> <li>• Formal Elements rules and response</li> <li>• Light Painting and artist investigations.</li> </ul>
Topics covered in Yr10 Spring term	<b>Abstract and Strange</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction - artist research &amp; response Erwin Wurm human sculptures</li> <li>• Music &amp; photography research &amp; response</li> <li>• Beauty from the discarded - Vilde Rolfsen research &amp; response</li> <li>• Stop &amp; Think Task</li> <li>• Multiplicity technique &amp; response</li> <li>• Saul Leiter research &amp; response</li> <li>• Basic digital editing introduced</li> <li>• Chosen artist 1 research &amp; response</li> <li>• Chosen artist 2 research &amp; response</li> </ul>

Topics covered in Yr10 Summer term	<b>Architecture</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction and research</li> <li>• Simon Gardiner research &amp; response</li> <li>• Paul Butler research &amp; response</li> <li>• Digital and hand editing techniques</li> <li>• Amy Eckhert research &amp; response</li> <li>• Chosen artist research &amp; response</li> <li>• Gallery/London trip research &amp; response</li> <li>• Stop &amp; Think task</li> <li>• Yr10 End of Year Exam</li> </ul>
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Topics covered in Yr11 Autumn term	<b>Mock Externally Set Assignment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working to show evidence of each of the four assessment objectives.</li> <li>• This is an opportunity for students to have a test run at the externally set assignment before the January paper is released.</li> <li>• Each student will have their own area of focus, chosen from a given list of approx 6 titles/themes taken from past papers.</li> </ul>
Topics covered in Yr11 Spring term	<b>Externally Set Assignment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Exam Preparatory Period from January - April:</b></li> <li>• The paper is released to students in January and then they will have to select their area of focus, chosen from a given list of approx 6 titles/themes.</li> <li>• Working to show evidence of each of the four assessment objectives.</li> <li>• They will use the knowledge they have gained in Year 10 to inform their judgements on what media and techniques to use.</li> <li>• <b>Final Exam in April-</b> Students will have 10 hours of independent working time to resolve their final outcomes.</li> </ul>
Topics covered in Yr11 Summer term	Study Leave

<p>Useful resources to support learning in this subject</p>	<p>Free online photo editing sites <a href="https://pixlr.com/">https://pixlr.com/</a>  <a href="https://www.photopea.com/">https://www.photopea.com/</a></p> <p>Sites for inspiration:  <a href="https://artsandculture.google.com/">https://artsandculture.google.com/</a> <a href="https://www.artsy.net/">https://www.artsy.net/</a>  <a href="https://www.thisiscolossal.com/">https://www.thisiscolossal.com/</a>  <a href="https://www.artistaday.com/">https://www.artistaday.com/</a>  <a href="https://theartyteacher.com/photographers-themes/">https://theartyteacher.com/photographers-themes/</a>  <a href="http://www.art2day.co.uk/photography2.html">http://www.art2day.co.uk/photography2.html</a></p>
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