



GCSE results day 2018: what you need to know

A reminder about the grading system

Unlike last year, many of your subjects will be graded under the new 9-1 grading system (unless you go to school in Wales).

Check the chart to see how your results match up with the old grading system.

Some subjects will still use the old grading system until next year, so don't worry if you still have some old-style grades on your results.

9	A*
8	A
7	
6	B
5	
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
	G
U	U

On the day

- Don't go on social media - it's tempting to see how others have done, but try not to compare yourself with your peers
- Don't feel rushed into making any decisions. There are deadlines for marking reviews and making applications to further education providers, but it's important to take time to process your results and next steps if you need it
- Don't forget to note down any important information you may need later, such as phone or reference numbers
- Remember that GCSE results are not the end of the world, and there are always options

Requesting a review of a marking decision



Remember that your result may go down or stay the same, and you can't reject the review of marking and go back to your original grade.

- If you think your result is incorrect, talk to your school **as soon as possible**
- Don't contact the exam board directly – you should go through your school's official channels
- Your school may be able to request a copy of your exam script, to help decide whether requesting a review is the right thing to do
- There are different types of review:
 1. A clerical check, where the exam board will check things like the adding up and recording of marks
 2. A marking review to check that the mark scheme has been applied correctly
- You must provide written consent for your school to request access to your exam script, a clerical check or a marking review
- There'll be a fee for these services. Your school may ask you to pay this. If your result changes (up or down), the clerical check or marking review fee will be waived

Thursday 30 August – deadline for schools to make requests for exam scripts

Thursday 20 September – deadline for schools to make requests for reviews of results

