EXAM RESULTS 2025



Key dates:

Scotland:

Results day is Tuesday 5th August 2025

In Scotland, the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) has enabled students to get their results in an online app since 2019.

If you don't get the grades you were hoping for, there are lots of different options to explore:

- College courses that lead to university
- Foundation apprenticeships if you're going into S5 or S6
- Modern or Graduate Apprenticeships





Need help and advice:

Make sure you visit: My World of Work | My World of Work for more information and Apprenticeships in Scotland | Apprenticeships.scot for apprenticeship information.

In Scotland, the results helpline will go live at 8am on results day Tuesday 5th August

Tel: 0808 100 8000

Web: Results Help | My World of Work

However, they have careers advisers all year round to support:

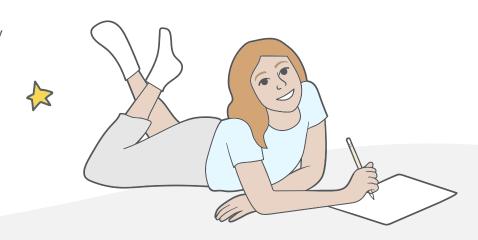
Calling 0800 917 8000

Or you should be able to access a careers adviser at school.

Alternatively, you can contact the post 16 Education Adviser at TACT

England:

21st August 2025 GCSE results day



GCSEs



GCSE Collecting results:

Young people across Manchester and West Midlands may receive their results via the Education Record app, if they are part of the pilot, however they will still be able to go to the school to collect the results on paper.

School and colleges generally communicate how best to collect their results so contact your school or college to confirm.

GCSE What do your grades mean:

GCSE English and Maths: You are aiming for a 4 or 5 (grade C) in these subjects no matter what your future plans are. These are often a basic requirement to continue with your studies at the next level (Level 3).

The subjects you want to continue studying: It's important to meet any subject grade requirements to access sixth form / college or an apprenticeship. If you have already applied, you will know what the grades are that you need to achieve.

What happens if I didn't get the grades?

You will hear this a lot but don't panic. There are always options:

Appealing a grade: If the grades are not what you are expecting, speak to your school or college as soon as possible and they will explain if this is possible and the process to follow.

Progressing onto your next course:

If you needed certain grades to get into college or sixth form and you have missed these, speak to the college or sixth form as soon as possible to find out if they will still accept you. If they won't accept you on your original course, they may offer you a similar course.

If you did better than expected, you might want to speak to your college or sixth form about taking different subjects. This could be possible if you meet the entry criteria.

Changing sixth form or college:

If your original college or sixth form won't accept you to the courses you applied to and they have no alternatives (or they don't interest you), look at other nearby institutions, they may offer courses with different entry requirements.

GCSE resits:

If you don't achieve at least a grade 4 in your maths and English GCSEs, you will have to re-sit these alongside the course you enrol on, at sixth form of college.





A levels / BTEC results day:

England:



14th August 2025 A level and BTEC results.

You can pick your results up anytime from 8am, or whenever your school or college opens on the day. You should receive communication direct from your school or college.

Applied to University:

What do your university offers mean?

- Unconditional: Congratulations! The university has confirmed your place on the course you're in!
- Unsuccessful: Unfortunately, you haven't been accepted to your chosen universities. You can enter Clearing'
- **Unconditional Changed Course (UCC):** You didn't get the grades for your chosen course, so the university has suggested another course instead. You have five days to accept, and you can contact the university about it at any time.

You've just missed your predicted grades:

You will of course be disappointed, but there's a chance you may still get an offer from your firm choice. Check your UCAS Hub and see if your status has changed to 'unconditional' or if you've been offered a place on a different course at the same university. This is known as a changed offer which you'll need to accept of decline.

If you decide your offer you will go into clearing: www.ucas.com/applying/after-you-apply/clearing-and-results-day

Missed your offer and the university will not accept you.

Seek some advice, either from your school or college, or arrange to speak to a career's adviser.

You have a few options:

- Accept your insurance place if you picked one
- Apply to different universities through Clearing
- Retake your A-levels
- Reapply next year, take a gap year and gain some work experience.



You've met your insurance choice:

Congratulations! Wait for your confirmation email to arrive and start thinking about sorting out your accommodation as soon as possible. You'll also need to update your Student Loan details to the new university.

Applied for an apprenticeship or employment?

If you have applied for an apprenticeship or job role that requires certain GCSE or A level / BTEC grades, and you miss these grades, please contact the employer direct for guidance.

Need help and advice:

England:

Contact the National Careers Service Exam Results Helpline for free advice if you've received exams results that were not as good as you were expecting.

The helpline is open from A level results day until a week after GCSE results day.

National Careers Service Exam Results Helpline 0800 100 900 Find out about call charges

Wales:

You can contact Careers Wales on 0800 028 4844.

They are open Monday to Thursday 8am – 6pm and Friday: 9am – 5pm. This number is available all year.

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