

GCSE Business and Communication Systems

Exam Board:	AQA
Exam Information:	<p>Unit 8: ICT Systems in Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date: 18th June 2018 • Time: 9.00 a.m • Length: 1 hour <p>Unit 9: Using ICT in Business – computer based exam</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date: 10th May 2018 • Time: am – exact time to be confirmed • Length: 1 hr 30 mins <p>Unit 10 Controlled Assessment: Investigating ICT in Business Students will use ICT skills to investigate, plan, create and evaluate an ICT solution to a specific business requirement.</p>
Course Overview:	<p>Unit 8 introduces candidates to the importance of business and communication systems which contribute to the success of a business, in achieving its objectives. In particular, candidates will consider how ICT systems affect the way people work and how they can potentially improve communication both internally and externally. Candidates will be encouraged to consider not only the benefits of ICT in the workplace, but also the potential risks relating to the health and safety of staff and the security of data.</p> <p>Unit 9 introduces candidates to a range of software applications used to support each function of a business. It helps candidates to understand how a business can use software to capture, store, retrieve and analyse data so as to meet its requirements.</p> <p>Unit 10 is a controlled assessment and assesses the subject content in Unit 9 Using ICT in Business. The work must be each candidate's own individual response, produced under controlled conditions</p>
Useful Websites And Revision Resources:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Watching episodes of the apprentice – how do teams make their design decisions, what importance do the teams place on competitor pricing, product placement, marketing, organization of teams etc. • www.aqa.org.uk • https://www.businessed.co.uk/ • http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zpsvr82 • All students will be provided with a CGP Revision guide and will be required to complete revision tasks over the course of the year. • Past papers and electronic materials to download and use for practice exams at home
How Parents Can Help:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage students to use their revision guides that they have been provided with to create good quality revision resources for their weekly topic tests • Check 'Show My Homework' and ensure they are completing the tasks teachers have set • Make sure that students have a quiet place to revise and that they have developed a revision timetable. • Time students when undertaking practice questions/exam papers • Encourage students to attend after school sessions. There will be a mandatory after school exam preparation class on Wednesday 9th May to prepare students for their practical examination the following day