

## Junior Cycle Assessment and Reporting

Please read the following document.

[Assessment and Reporting on Students' Learning at Junior Cycle 2021: Guidelines for Schools](#)

### Assessment

Each Subject Department considered what **modes of assessment** and **weighting** they wished to give to their third-year students.

This can include:

- Evidence available from assignments, tests, tasks, journals, projects, practical and other work completed over the course of second year and third year.
- Classroom Based Assessments completed in second year and third year.
- School designed examinations, tasks, projects, assignments, essay style questions, presentations or other tasks chosen by the teacher from the range of approaches agreed at school level.

### How each Subject Department is Assessing their third year students.

Subject	Modes of assessment	Weighting of each mode of assessment
English	Combination of written exam results, (Christmas 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> year, summer 2 <sup>nd</sup> year)	50%
	CBA1 or CBA 2	15%
	May Assessment	15%
	Online Engagement	20%
Science	Participation in online learning	10%
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Christmas Exam	25%
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Christmas Exam	25%
	Final Term Assessment 1	20%
	Final Term Assessment 2	20%
Business Studies	JC1 summer/Christmas	20%
	JC2 Class tests and assignments	30%
	JC3 Class tests and assignments	30%
	Classroom Based Assessment	20%
Irish	40% Continuous assessment (previous test results / portfolio / class work)	60%
	Classroom Based Assessment	30%
	May assignment	10%
Visual Art	Assessment of student's contribution to class and progress with practical work online	10%
	CBA 1 (Second Year) & CBA2 (Third Year)	30%
	Final Project Booklet and Finished Piece. Latest deadline is Friday May 21 <sup>st</sup> 2021	60%

French	Christmas test	20%
	Class test 1: le Passe compose	10%
	Class test 2	10%
	Class test 3	10%
	Online engagement	10%
	Classroom Based Assessment 1	20%
	April / May assignment	20%
Short courses: PE	Formative/Continuous assessment	50%
	Classroom Based Assessment 1 & 2	50%
Maths	Christmas exam 2019	20%
	Summer exam 2020	20%
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	Summer exam 2021	30%
	Engagement in online work	10%
Home Economics	Culinary Skills	40%
	Class participation over 3 years	20%
	May assessment	40%
History	Combination of written exam results (Christmas, summer, 2nd and 3rd year, Mock result)	50%
	May assignment	20%
	CBA 1 or CBA 2	10%
	Online engagement	20%
Music	Class tests, homework and assignments	30%
	Practical work	30%
	End of year class test	40%
Geography	Average of assessments to date	35%
	May assignment	35%
	Online engagement	20%
	Classroom Based Assessment	10%
Materials Technology Wood	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year practical work	10%
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Christmas exam	10%
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year online work	10%
	Project & accompanying folio	70%
Metalwork	Junior Cert Project	50%
	JC2 – JC3 formative assessment	20%
	Online Learning	15%
	May assessment	15%
Technical Graphics	2 <sup>nd</sup> work	40%
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Work	40%
	Online work submitted to end of March	20%
Technology	Project 50%	50%
	JC2 & JC3 formative assessment	20%
	Online learning	15%
	May assessment	15%

## Reporting

Please note that students will be given an overall GRADE/DESCRIPTOR, not percentages, in New Junior Cycle subjects.

<b>New Grading System Subjects</b>	
<b>Classroom Based Assessment Descriptors;</b> Exceptional • Above expectations • In line with expectations • Yet to meet expectations • Not reported	
<b>Overall Grade Descriptor</b>	
Distinction (90-100%)	
Higher Merit (75-90%)	
Merit (55-74%)	
Achieved (40-54%)	
Partially Achieved (20-39%)	
Not Graded (0-20%)	

### Example of a New Junior Cycle Report

Subject	CBA1 Descriptor	CBA2 Descriptor	Overall Grade Descriptor	Teacher reflection on student learning.
English	Exceptional		Higher Merit	Teacher comment

Similarly, the following subjects would follow the same layout as for English.

Science		
Business Studies		
Irish		
Visual Art		
French		
Short courses: PE		
Maths		
Home Economics		
Geography		
Music		
History		

<b>Old Grading System Subjects</b>		
A (85-100%) • B (70-84%) • C (55-69%) • D (40-54%) • E (25-39%) F (11-24%) • NG (0-10%)		
	Overall Grade	Teacher reflection on student learning
Materials Technology Wood		
Metalwork		
Technical Graphics		
Technology		