



DULWICH COLLEGE
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Transparency in the marking of Writing Paper scripts at GCSE and A level

or

What the ** do my pupils have to do to get an A*?**

Wednesday 9th October, 9.30 – 3.30, Dulwich College

A day conference for State and Independent schools hosted at Dulwich College, London

Cost: £45 – to include lunch, and tea / coffee.

Teachers have commented on a number of forums that they do not understand the grading process at GCSE and A level. They feel that this is most difficult in the writing papers.

The purpose of this day is:

- To examine which approaches score well – and which ones may appear to deserve good marks but fail to get them
- To pool examination scripts to see if there are inconsistencies in marking

The day is divided into two sessions – A level scripts in the morning, GCSE scripts in the afternoon. There will be sessions for French, Spanish and German. **Where numbers and interest allow** we will look at AQA, Edexcel and OCR – and if required WJEC.

Delegates **MUST** submit **ONE WEEK BEFORE THE CONFERENCE** between two and six scripts for each session. YOUR ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO EXAM BOARD REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENT PERMISSIONS and related issues.

Delegates must be in full time employment by a school.

Dulwich is located 5 minutes walk from West Dulwich Station (Victoria is 15 min) and on the South Circular.

Travel details and maps can be found at <http://www.dulwich.org.uk/college/contact/directions>

Our understanding is that a journalist from the National Press will attend. An invitation has been extended to Ofqual.

Please fill in the details page and return with the appropriate cheque to the address at the bottom of this sheet

Best wishes

Nick Mair



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Programme and Schedule

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| 9.30 | Registration and coffee |
| 9.55 | Welcome / Housekeeping / Introductions |
| 10.00 | A level – Overarching issues and background |
| 10.10 | Division into groups by Exam Board (Tea / coffee available) |
| 12.30 | Buffet Discussion Lunch |
| 1.30 | GCSE – Overarching issues and background |
| 1.40 | Division into groups by Exam Board (Tea / coffee available) |
| 3.30 | Day ends formally |
| 3.30 onwards | Optional Plenary |



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First Name: **Surname:**

School

Contact email

Contact Phone

Please indicate which sessions you wish to attend

GCSE session only	£40
A level Session only	£40
Both sessions	£45

(main costs involved are lunch & venue – hence pricing)

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GCSE Board	AQA Edexcel OCR WJEC (if numbers allow)	
A level Board	AQA Edexcel OCR WJEC (if numbers allow)	

Vegetarian Option?

Other information you would like us to know