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# BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

## FAQs



### WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GCSE AND BTEC?

GCSE comprises of 2 exam papers at the end of Year 11 making up 100% of the assessed element of the qualification. BTEC comprises of two independent coursework tasks in Year 10 and one examined unit in February of Year 11 with an opportunity to re-sit this in the Summer of Year 11



### WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BUSINESS STUDIES AND ECONOMICS?

Economics focusses on the national and global economy, taking in to consideration the broader picture, Business Studies focusses on the impacts on a firm's decision-making process and how a business operates



### CAN STUDENTS STUDY ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS STUDIES?

At KS4 this is not possible, students choose between studying Economics, Business Studies or BTEC Business. At KS5, students can choose to study Economics A Level and either Business Studies A Level or BTEC Business



### CAN STUDENTS STUDY ECONOMICS OR BUSINESS STUDIES AT KS3?

No, these subjects are only studied from KS4 and KS5, course selection occurs in the Spring Term of Year 9



### DO YOU NEED TO BE GOOD AT MATHS TO STUDY ECONOMICS OR BUSINESS STUDIES?

Maths skills are used in both subjects and at KS4/KS5, these are not any more challenging than those learned at KS3 in maths. Equally important are literacy and comprehension skills since there are case studies and application