

Qualification at a glance

Content and assessment overview

The Pearson Edexcel Level 1/Level 2 GCSE (9–1) in Business consists of two externally-examined papers.

Students must complete all assessment in May/June in any single year.

Theme 1: Investigating small business (*Paper code: 1BS0/01)
Written examination: 1 hour and 45 minutes
50% of the qualification
90 marks
Content overview <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Topic 1.1 Enterprise and entrepreneurship• Topic 1.2 Spotting a business opportunity• Topic 1.3 Putting a business idea into practice• Topic 1.4 Making the business effective• Topic 1.5 Understanding external influences on business
Assessment overview <p>The paper is divided into three sections:</p> <p>Section A: 35 marks</p> <p>Section B: 30 marks</p> <p>Section C: 25 marks.</p> <p>The paper will consist of calculations, multiple-choice, short-answer and extended-writing questions.</p> <p>Questions in Sections B and C will be based on business contexts given in the paper.</p> <p>Calculators may be used in the examination. Information on the use of calculators during the examinations for this qualification can be found in <i>Appendix 4: Calculators</i>.</p>

*See *Appendix 7: Codes* for a description of this code and all other codes relevant to this qualification.

Theme 2: Building a business (Paper code: 1BS0/02)**Written examination: 1 hour and 45 minutes****50% of the qualification****90 marks****Content overview**

- Topic 2.1 Growing the business
- Topic 2.2 Making marketing decisions
- Topic 2.3 Making operational decisions
- Topic 2.4 Making financial decisions
- Topic 2.5 Making human resource decisions

Assessment overview

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Section B: 30 marks

Section C: 25 marks.

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