COMMUNITY LANGUAGE EXAMINATION CENTRE (CLEX) CENTRE NUMBER: 08558.

For supplementary schools/private language teachers teaching home/heritage languages to GCSE and A level









Aims

The NRCSE has established a Community Languages Examination Centre CLEx in partnership with the Turkish Language, Culture and Education Consortium, the British Council/QFI Arabic Language and Culture Programme and Pearson Edexcel.

CLEx will run for a trial period to enable young people who are learning Arabic or Turkish out-of-school to receive a grade this summer even though exams have been cancelled.

We will evaluate the success of the centre after July 2021 and consider the future. It remains our firm belief that young people should be entered for their home/heritage languages by their mainstream schools. We can not accept, however, that so many young people were denied entry in 2020 and are again finding it difficult to enter this summer.

For this reason we have established CLEx.

CLEx staff

Head of Centre
Pascale Vassie OBE

Senior Leader with responsibility for examinations:
Nuriye Mertcan

Examinations Officer:
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Centre administrator/Special Education Needs Coordinator: <u>Noura Salhani</u>

Internal Quality Assessor for Turkish:
Nuriye Mertcan

■ Internal Quality Assessor for Arabic: <u>Sawsan Haffar</u>

Private candidates | Pearson qualifications

https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/campaigns/pearson-covid-19/private-candidates.html

- Thank you for choosing Pearson Edexcel qualifications. The global pandemic continues to cause global disruption and uncertainty so to ensure your safety, and fairness for all students around the world, Pearson has confirmed that external exams will not take place as planned in May/June 2021. We will instead be using a robust, quality assured process that will include arrangements for private candidates.
- We know that you have been working incredibly hard to prepare for your exams and you will be feeling anxious about how you will receive your qualification grade for the May/June 2021 series. We are committed to supporting all students, including private candidates, and will share specific details soon.
- We are currently awaiting the outcome of the UK Ofqual consultation about how grades will be issued in for May/June 2021, which includes specific consideration for private candidates and is expected in the week commencing 22 February 2021. This will enable us to confirm the details of how this approach applies to you well in advance of the entry deadline.

CLEx proposal for Summer 2021

Realistic evidence required in order to permit centre assessed grading:

- 90% attendance at weekly sessions with tutor
- Lessons set at a minimum of 1.5 hours a week
- Year 10 and above only for GCSE
- Year 12 and above only for A'Level
- Use of Autumn series 2020 as mocks
- Mock moderation meeting 8th March 2021
- Bi-weekly assessments using centrally set questions
- Monthly moderation meetings to ensure consistency
- Mock 2 paper to be prepared by working party for April 2021

لصيف CLEx المقدم من مركز 2021

مطلوب أدلة واقعية للسماح بالتقييم داخل المراكز:

- ■حضور دروس أسبوعية 90٪
- ■تخصيص دروس بحد أدنى ساعة ونصف في الأسبوع
 - ■الصف العاشر وما فوق فقط لتقديم امتحان GCSE
- ■الصف الثاني عشر وما فوق فقط لتقديم امتحان A'Level
- ■استخدام امتحانات الخريف 2020 كامتحان تجريبي (على أن تكتمل بحلول 1 مارس)
 - ■اجتماع توحيد المعايير للامتحانات التجريبية 8 مارس2021
 - المركز عييمات كل أسبوعين باستخدام أسئلة محددة من المركز
 - ■اجتماعات توحيد معايير شهرية لضمان التناسق بين المراكز
 - ■سيتم إعداد امتحان نموذجي 2 من قبل فريق العمل لشهر أبريل 2021



RESULTS OF OFQUAL CONSULTATION

These have been published and shed some light on how private candidates will be receiving their grades.

Download full report here <u>Decisions on how GCSE</u>, <u>AS and A level grades will be determined in summer 2021</u> (<u>publishing.service.gov.uk</u>)

Results of Ofqual public consultation on summer 2021 exams

■ There will be a clear and accessible route for private candidates to work with a centre to receive a grade this year, at the same time as other candidates. Exam boards will provide centres with clear guidance on the evidence they can use to assess a private candidate. A list of available centres will be published shortly and, we are working with the sector to ensure there are sufficient centres available and at a similar cost to a normal year.

Entry process

- Initial expression of interest to be completed by students
- Arabic GCSE & GCE A Level Preliminary Registration Form (google.com)
- We will then check teacher and school details to confirm attendance at training and moderation sessions
- If teacher has attended initial training and moderation meeting student will be asked to submit fee

| Exam | Students from NRCSE subscriber settings | Private students |
|-------------|---|------------------|
| GCSE | £140 | £190 |
| GCE A Level | £175 | £225 |

Thank you

- to the Turkish Language, Culture and Education Consortium and the British Council Arabic Language and Culture Programme in partnership with the Qatar Foundation International for partnering with us to deliver the Community Language Examination Centre and for championing community language learning
- to all of you for participating and supporting young people to become proficient in mother-tongue and heritage languages;
- to our funders John Lyon's Charity and the Government Coronavirus Community Support Fund, distributed by The National Lottery Community Fund.
- NRCSE is a member-led organisation, the CLEx initiative is entirely self-funded, You can support us to extend our offer for a wider range of languages by subscribing and/or donating:
- https://www.supplementaryeducation.org. uk/campaigns/donate/

