

Design Technology - Product Design - AQA

Course Content

Assessment 1 - 'Core Principles and core designing and making principles'

How it's assessed

- Written exam 2 hours
- 25% of A Level

Assessment 2 - 'Specialist knowledge, technical and designing and making principles'

How it's assessed

- Written exam 2 hours
- 25% of A Level

Questions are a mixture of short answer, multiple choice and extended response questions

Section A:

Product Analysis

Up to 6 short answers based on visual stimulus of product(s)

Section B:

Commercial manufacture

Mixture of short and extended style questions

Non-exam Element

'Practical application of technical principles, design and making principles and specialist knowledge

How it's assessed

Substantial design and make task

- 45 hours
- 100 marks
- 50% of A Level

Evidence

Written or digital design portfolio and photographic evidence of final prototype.

Extra Information

Students will need to be creative, open-minded with good observational and analytical skills and show dexterity and an enjoyment of working with materials.

This is a very demanding course and with this qualification you can go on to Higher Education leading to a wide choice of careers e.g. Engineering, Design, Manufacturing, Teaching, Architecture, Construction, etc.