

Changes for 2022

Because of the ongoing impacts of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, there are some changes to how GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition will be assessed in 2022.

These changes are for 2022 only.

What you need to know

- Changes to non-exam assessment (NEA) tasks
- Breakdown of assessment
- No changes to exam
- Advance information on exams is available

Changes to NEA tasks

- NEA1: Food Investigation Task (15%) – no longer required
- NEA2: Food Preparation Task (50%) – will remain as part of the assessment, but the requirement is now to complete two dishes within 3 hours.

Breakdown of assessment

Section	Marks available
Section A: Researching the task	6
Recording four to six ideas should allow students to show a good range of skills using different ingredients and processes. When they have recorded their ideas, students will then need to decide which dishes to make.	
Section B: Demonstration of technical skills	18
Make up to three technical dishes	
Section C: Planning for the final menu	8
Plan to make two final dishes	
Section D: Making the final dishes	30
Make two final dishes. During the practical assessment, the teacher will be assessing:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• use and execution of a range of technical skills	

Section	Marks available
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> it is acknowledged that the making of only two dishes (as opposed to three) provides less opportunity for the coverage of food preparation skills. 	

Section E: Analyse and evaluate

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- Analysis and evaluation of **two** final dishes
- Sensory evaluation could be done in a home setting. This can be achieved by setting up testing panels and a variety of sensory analysis methods can be used. It is not advised to carry out testing within a classroom environment because of hygiene and safety issues related to coronavirus.

No changes to the exam

The exam will still cover the same subject content written in the specification.

Advance information on exams

To help students focus their exam preparation, we have released advance information on what exams will cover.

The advance information for GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition is [available to view](#).