

Computer Science

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Content Overview	Assessment Overview
J277/01: Computer systems This component will assess: <ul style="list-style-type: none">1.1 Systems architecture1.2 Memory and storage1.3 Computer networks, connections and protocols1.4 Network security1.5 Systems software1.6 Ethical, legal, cultural and environmental impacts of digital technology	Written paper: 1 hour and 30 minutes 50% of total GCSE 80 marks This is a non-calculator paper. All questions are mandatory. This paper consists of multiple choice questions, short response questions and extended response questions.
J277/02: Computational thinking, algorithms and programming This component will assess: <ul style="list-style-type: none">2.1 Algorithms2.2 Programming fundamentals2.3 Producing robust programs2.4 Boolean logic2.5 Programming languages and Integrated Development Environments	Written paper: 1 hour and 30 minutes 50% of total GCSE 80 marks This is a non-calculator paper. This paper has two sections: Section A and Section B. Students must answer both sections. All questions are mandatory. In Section B, questions assessing students' ability to write or refine algorithms must be answered using either the OCR Exam Reference Language or the high-level programming language they are familiar with.

Recommended revision websites, resources and strategies:

<https://www.csnewbs.com/ocr-gcse>
<https://teachcomputerscience.com/ocr/>
<https://isaaccomputerscience.org/login>
<https://smartrevise.online/>

All work covered over the last two years is on Google Classroom.
Use SmartRevise to tackle topics you are unsure about.
Ensure all expert vocabulary is understood.
Practise your programming skills

