

The Elmgreen Sixth Form Induction Programme

Please note that projects will be used to form part of your assessment within the term.

AQA A Level Design and Technology Product Design (7522)

Overview of A Level

This creative and thought-provoking qualification that will give you the practical skills, theoretical knowledge and confidence to succeed in a number of careers. Especially those in the creative industries. You will investigate historical, social, cultural, environmental and economic influences on design and technology, whilst enjoying opportunities to put your learning in to practice by producing prototypes of your choice. You will gain a real understanding of what it means to be a designer, alongside the knowledge and skills sought by higher education and employers.

Overview of SOW

Paper 1

Content - Technical principles

How it's assessed: written exam: 2 hours and 30 minutes • 120 marks • 30% of A-level.

Questions Mixture of short answer and extended response.

Paper 2

Content - Designing and making principles

How it's assessed: written exam: 1 hour and 30 minutes • 80 marks • 20% of A-level.

Questions Mixture of short answer and extended response questions. Section A: • Product Analysis: 30 marks • Up to 6 short answer questions based on visual stimulus of product(s). Section B: • Commercial manufacture: 50 marks • Mixture of short and extended response questions.

Non-exam assessment (NEA)

What's assessed Practical application of technical principles, designing and making principles.

How it's assessed: substantial design and make project • 100 marks • 50% of A-level

Summer Task

Visit at least one exhibition of your choice, ensure the subject is an area of interest to you. Photograph the design work / art work. Analyse this research in depth and write up an evaluation, what about this research inspires you and why? You should include in your evaluation, which key design styles and movements and their principles of design are included in the design work / art work in question. Including: Arts and Craft movement, Art Deco, Modernism, e.g. Bauhaus, Post Modernism, e.g. Memphis. You should present the findings of this research as a PowerPoint document.

Specification

<http://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/design-and-technology/specifications/AQA-7552-SP-2017.PDF>

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