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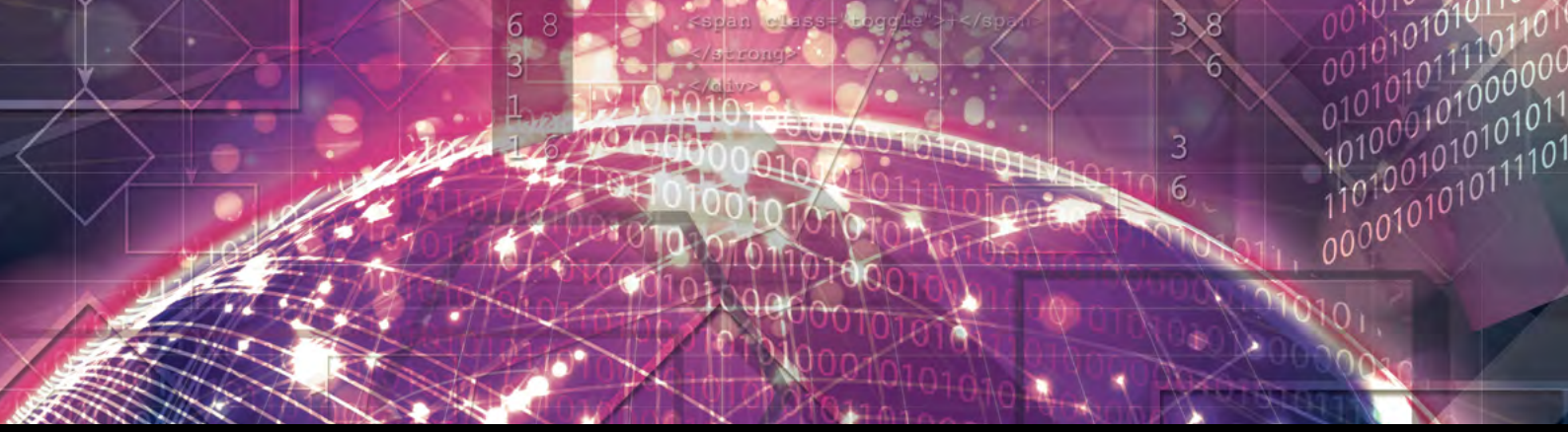## ENTRY LEVEL CERTIFICATE IN COMPUTING: ACCREDITED FOR TEACHING NOW

Now even more people can achieve in Computer Science, thanks to the first Entry Level qualification in Computing. Offered only by OCR, it's designed to open up the subject to a wider range of students.

ENGAGING AND FUN...

This is a hands-on course in which students discover how computer technology works and take a look at what goes on 'behind the scenes'. For many, it will be a fun and interesting way to develop skills that can be transferred to other subjects and even applied in day-to-day life.

OCR's new Entry Level Certificate in Computing:

- Provides a basic understanding of computer technology, computing principles and programming
- Introduces and assesses relevant, transferable skills including problem-solving and information gathering
- Provides fair recognition of the technical knowledge and practical skills of students
- Offers an ideal platform to further study in Computing at GCSE and beyond.

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…AND A SOLID INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTING

We've listened to teachers and employers in developing this new qualification. With its practical, realistic approach, it's suitable for:

- Entire cohorts at KS3, to include some Computer Science in KS3 programmes of study with a recognised qualification
- Mixed ability KS4 classes, to provide a 'gentle introduction' to Computer Science alongside studying GCSE
- As part of post-GCSE entry/foundation-level programmes in FE colleges, in preparation for further vocational programmes.

Students entered for this specification may also be entered for an OCR GCSE full course in Computing in the same session.

ENTRY LEVEL COMPUTING AT A GLANCE

This qualification consists of one unit, which is broken down into three strands.

Hardware, Software and Logic 24 marks (30% of qualification)	OCR-set end-of-item tests, each approx. 15 minutes in duration, to be taken after teaching a topic

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Programming 40 marks (50% of qualification)	Programming task Internally assessed, externally moderated

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Trends in Computing 16 marks (20% of qualification)	Presentation Internally assessed, externally moderated

All these strands must be submitted along with a total mark across the strands out of 80.

You can read the specification at **ocr.org.uk/computerscience**

FULL PROGRESSION FROM ENTRY LEVEL TO GCSE AND A LEVEL

Entry Level Computing is just part of our Computer Science suite of qualifications, which also includes GCSE Computing (part of the English Baccalaureate) and A Level Computing. Whatever the ages or abilities of your students, this innovative programme is designed to truly engage with them. Find out more about our Computer Science suite of qualifications at **ocr.org.uk/computerscience**

FREE TRAINING COURSE AVAILABLE TO BOOK

Interested in a free half-day training course on getting to know the specification?
Please register your interest on the EventBooker website at **www.ocreventbooker.org.uk** and using course code **AFITAF**.

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