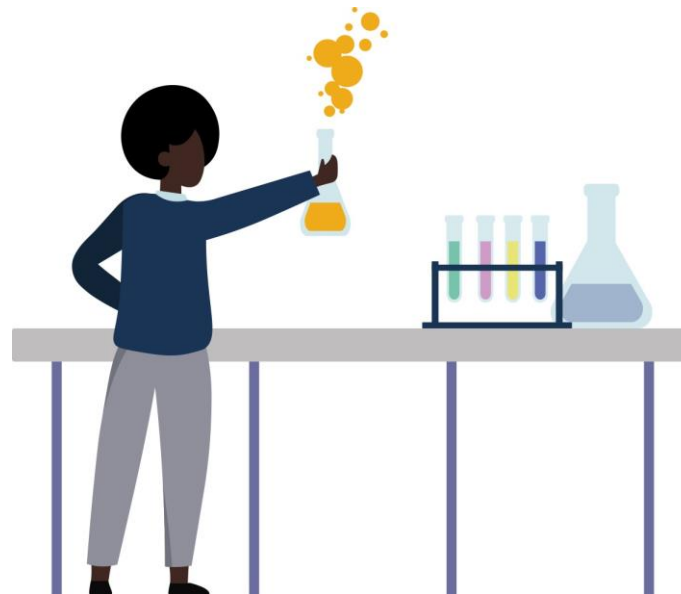


Your exams and assessments 2023

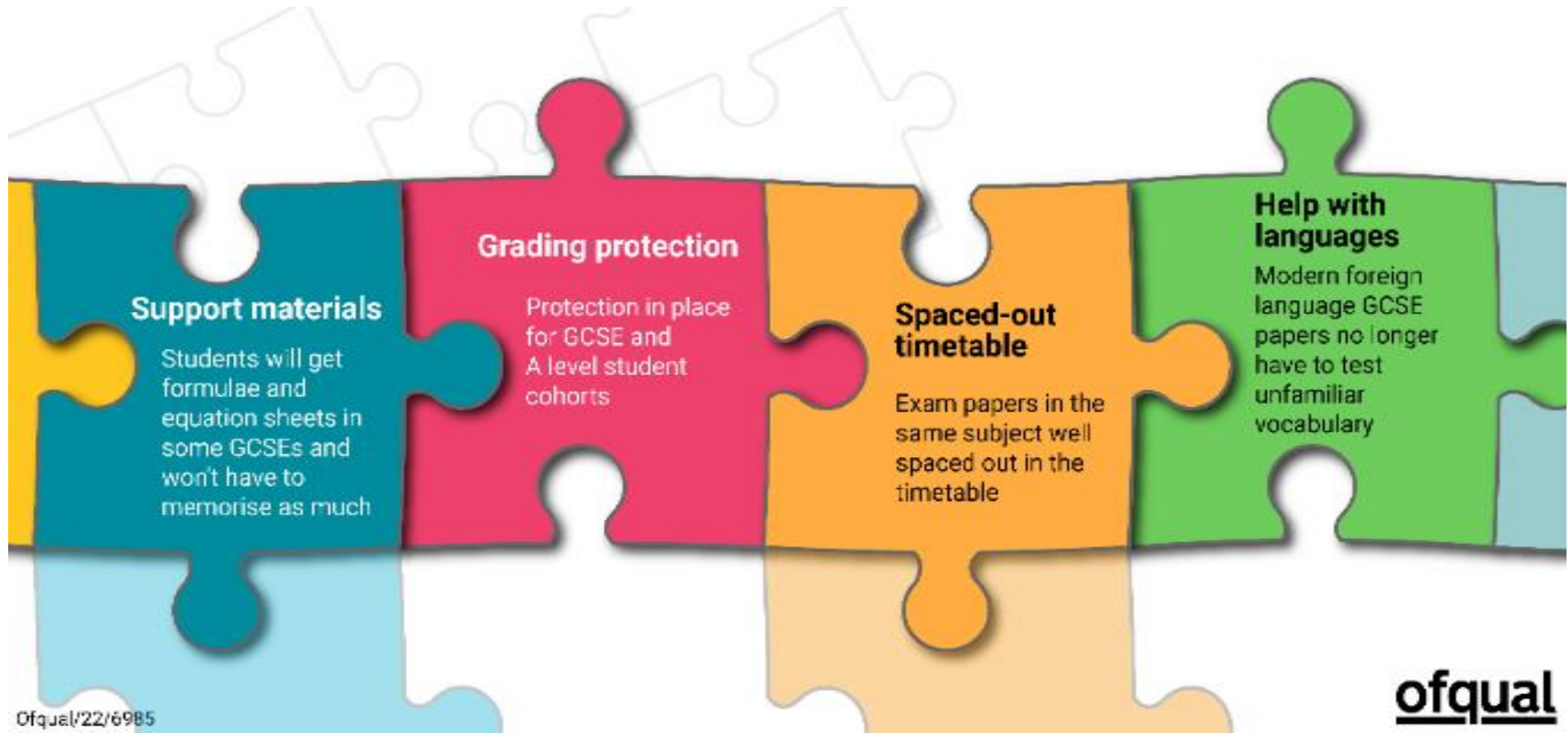


Your exams and assessments

- Exams and assessments will go ahead as planned – giving you the opportunity to show what you know and can do
- Everyone sits the same papers at the same time- the rules are the same for everyone
- Exam papers are anonymously marked and graded by independent experts
- There is support in place to recognise the disruption experienced - including grading protection so that, overall, results can be similar to those seen before the pandemic



Support for A level and GCSE students



Make sure you're prepared!

Don't get caught out – make sure you know:

- Your timetable – be there on time
- Where your exam or assessment is being held
- What you can and can't take into each exam or assessment
- Where to put your mobile phone and smart devices
- That you have the right paper in front of you

If you are unsure about anything, ask your teacher, exams officer or invigilator

Contingency days

If (a big IF) a GCSE or A level exam must be moved nationally, the following dates will be used:

- 8 June – afternoon
 - 15 June – afternoon
 - 28 June – whole day
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- Although it is unlikely that an exam will be moved, you must make sure you are available. These dates cannot be used on an individual basis if you miss an exam.



Special consideration

If something goes wrong around the time of your exam or assessment that means you can't take it, or affects your performance...

- you may be able to ask for 'special consideration.' This is **only** for things that are unforeseeable and beyond your control.
- Special consideration could mean:
 - taking your exam in a different way
 - being given a small number of extra marks
 - being given a grade if you've missed an exam, as long as you've completed at least one other exam or assessments for that qualification
- Speak to your teacher as soon as possible if you think this might apply to you



After your exams and assessments

- Exams are marked anonymously by expert examiners
- GCSE and A level grade boundaries will be set after all papers have been marked
- Grade boundaries vary year on year depending on the difficulty of the paper
- There is no quota of grades
- Grading will return to pre-pandemic standards, but with protection in place to allow for disruption experienced



Results days

**Level 3 VTQs, AS and A levels: 17
August**

Level 2 VTQs and GCSEs: 24 August



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Good luck!

