



AQA GCSE Photography Revision List

Year 11 – 2025

Component 1: Portfolio • Ongoing • 96 marks • 60% of GCSE	AO1 - Develop AO2 - Refine AO3 - Record AO4 - Present / Final outcome
Component 2: Externally set assignment (Set in January 2026) • Preparatory period followed by 10 hours of supervised exam time • 96 marks • 40% of GCSE	AO1 - Develop AO2 - Refine AO3 - Record AO4 - Present / Final outcome

Component 1: Portfolio

What's assessed?

A portfolio that shows detailed coverage of the four assessment objectives. It must include a sustained project evidencing the journey from Photographer research and starting points to the realisation of your intentions (final piece) and a selection of further work undertaken during your course.

This is a Non-exam assessment (NEA) set and marked by the school and moderated by an AQA moderator during a visit. Moderation will normally take place in June.

Component 2: Externally set assignment (Set in January 2026)

What's assessed?

You will respond to your chosen theme and starting point from an externally set assignment paper relating to a subject title, providing evidence of all four assessment objectives.

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