## GCSE Gujarati – Overview

- Fully linear structure i.e. an examination at end of the course only, no course work, etc..
- New 9-1 grading scale, with 9 the top grade.
- The last available assessment for the current GCSEs in Gujarati by OCR will be June 2019.
   There will be no repeat.
- The first assessment for the new Pearson Edexcel GCSEs will be in May/June 2020.
- First teaching of the two-year GCSE in Gujarati will start in September 2018.

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- 25% assessment weightings per skill (listening, speaking, reading and writing).
- All 4 skills assessed separately.
- Speaking assessments to be completed in April/May and all others in May/June in any single year.
- Two tiers Foundation and Higher.
- Students must be entered for a single tier across all papers – no mixed entry.
- Dictionaries are not allowed during any of the assessments.

## GCSE Gujarati – Delivery Model

- An editable Course Planner and suggested Schemes of Work covering the two-year course to be available on Edexcel's GCSE 2018 Gujarati webpage.
- Three 12-week terms in the first year with an average of two hours a week – or 72 hours suggested.
- Two 12 week terms in final year followed by a focused revision in the summer term making 120 hours teaching over the two years.

### **Themes**

#### **Five main themes:**

- Identity and culture
- Local area, holiday and travel
- School
- Future aspirations, study and work
- International and global dimension

# Overview – Listening & Understanding

Paper	Title	Length of assessment	Summary of assessment
Paper 1 25% 50 marks	Listening and understanding	F = 35 minutes including 5 minutes' reading time  H = 45 minutes including 5 minutes' reading time	Multiple-choice and short-answer open-response questions.  The majority of the questions will be set in English with two questions set in Gujarati.

# **Listening & Understanding – Both Tiers**

- Four of the questions will be common to both tiers. (last two questions of Section B of Foundation tier in Gujarati and <u>first two</u> questions of <u>Section A</u> of Higher tier in Gujarati)
- The listening audio files will be available on the website when all is finalised.

# **Overview - Speaking**

Paper	Title	Length of assessment	Summary of assessment
Paper 2 25% 70 marks	Speaking	F = 7-9 minutes (plus 12 minutes preparation)  H = 10-12 minutes (plus 12 minutes preparation)	Students will be assessed through 3 tasks:  (1) a role play  (2) questions based on a picture stimuli  (3) a conversation

## **Speaking – Both Tiers**

- The assessments will be conducted by teachers (examiners) in one session within a prescribed assessment window.
- The recordings will then be submitted to Pearson for external marking.

## Overview – Reading & understanding

Paper	Title	Length of assessment	Summary of assessment
Paper 3	Reading and understanding	F =	Question types will comprise both multiple-choice and short-answer open-response questions, and one translation into English question.
25%		50 minutes	
50 marks		H = 1 hour 5 minutes	
			There will be 3 questions set in Gujarati.
			Students must answer all questions.

# **Overview - Writing**

Paper	Title	Length of assessment	Summary of assessment
Paper 4 25% 60 marks	Writing	F = 1 hour 15 minutes	Three open-response questions (includes one crossover task) and one translation into Gujarati question.
		H = 1 hour 25 minutes	Two open-response questions (includes one crossover task) and one translation into Gujarati question

## Writing – Both Tiers

- Students must answer all the questions.
- The instructions to students are all in Gujarati.
- Students are required to produce responses of varying lengths and types to express facts, ideas, opinions and justifications in Gujarati.
- The length of each response and complexity of language required increases across the paper.

## Writing

- Recommended word counts are specified for each question.
- Students will not be penalised for writing more or fewer words than recommended in the word count or for going beyond the mandatory bullets.

## Writing – Register & Style

### Register and style definition:

Informal register and style –

- Examples of informal style include colloquial, conversational language that students would use with friends.
- It also requires use of the informal structure when using, for example, verbs, personal pronouns and possessive adjectives.

## Writing – Register & Style

### Formal register and style –

- Examples of formal style includes, for example, avoidance of slang, over-familiar language, exaggeration, 'text-speak', inappropriate colloquialisms or writing in a conversational style.
- Formal register and style require the use of the formal structure when using, for example, verbs, personal pronouns and possessive adjectives.