



# AQA A Level Dance

*“Dance is the hidden language of the soul, of the body  
Martha Graham*

## Subject Information

A Level Dance gives learners the opportunity to develop, demonstrate and articulate practical and theoretical knowledge, understanding and experience in dance of:

- Technical and performance skills
- The process and art of choreography
- The interrelationship between creation, presentation and viewing/appreciation of dance works
- The development of dance placed within an artistic and cultural context
- Professional dance works and the significance of these works
- Subject specific terminology and its use

## Career Pathways

Dance trains you to think creatively and to think outside the box, a skill required for numerous professional industries. Dance demands discipline, resilience and commitment, it also develops confidence and self-esteem, desirable qualities for any future employer. Many dance students find jobs in creative industries, health and fitness, performing arts and education. A qualification in dance tells employers you are a person who has the confidence to pitch and showcase ideas in front of others, it shows employers that you are a person who is able to explore new idea, a hard worker who strives to achieve mastery of your art form.

## Course Content

Components	Exam	Total percentage
Component 1: Performance and Choreography: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solo performance based on a specified dance practitioner within a key area of study</li> <li>• Performance in a quartet</li> <li>• Group choreography</li> </ul>	<b>NEA assessment (practical performances)</b>	<b>50%</b>
Component 2: Critical Engagement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge, understanding and critical appreciation of two specified areas of study and two set works</li> </ul>	<b>2 hours 30 minutes</b>	<b>50%</b>

**Entry Requirements:** Grade 5 or above in Dance

**Complementary subjects:** *English, History, Art, Drama, Music*

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