

# School accountability: performance and outcomes

## Education phases, assessments and expected thresholds

Phase	Key Stage	Year Group	Age at end of year	Test / Teacher Assessment	Expected Thresholds	
Nursery	Early Years Foundation Stage	Early Years	2			
			3			
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Primary	1	R	5	EYFS Teacher Assessment	Achieving at least the expected level in 12 specific aspects of the early years curriculum	
		1	6	Teacher Assessment Year 1 Phonics		
		2	7	Key Stage 1 Teacher Assessments	Level 2+	
	2	3	8			
		4	9	Teacher Assessment		
		5	10			
		6	11	Key Stage 2 SATs & Teacher Assessment	Level 4+ 2 levels of progress in reading, in writing and in maths from KS1	
	Secondary	3	7	12		
			8	13	Teacher Assessment	
			9	14	Key Stage 3 Teacher Assessment	Level 5+
4		10	15			
		11	16	GCSE & Equivalents	5+ A*-C including English & maths (Level 2) 3 levels of progress in English and in maths from KS2	
Post 16 / FE	5 / Post 16	12	17			
		13	18	A-Level & Equivalents	2 or more A-level or equivalent at A*-E (Level 3)	

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## Commonly used abbreviations

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DfE	Department for Education
EYFS	Early Years Foundation Stage
GCSE	General Certificate in Secondary Education
FE	Further Education (post 16 education below degree level)
FSM	Free School Meals
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
KS	Key Stage
NC	National Curriculum
OfSTED	Office for Standards in Education
P Scales	Performance Scales below National Curriculum Level 1
SATs	Standard Attainment Tests
SCC	Surrey County Council
SEN	Special Educational Needs
TAs	Teacher Assessments