



KS4

Communication Studies

Assessment Map

<p>Definition</p>	<p>Formative</p> <p>Formative Assessment is defined within our assessment policy as the frequent interactive assessment of what students currently know and understand to identify learning needs and adjust teaching appropriately.</p>	<p>Summative</p> <p>Summative Assessments are defined within our schemes of work to determine students' knowledge and understanding, to test the achievement of learning outcomes at the end of a specified period of study. They are assessments used to determine progression, indicate levels of achievement and predicted grades.</p>
<p>Intent</p>	<p>At Crompton House School, formative assessment is integral to everyday teaching. It has the needs of our students at its core (to build up confidence and reduce anxiety) and it is embedded into teaching activities within each lesson. Via the use of formative assessment approaches, low stakes testing and retrieval practice techniques, our aim is to be best prepared to help our students to embed and use knowledge fluently to improve long term knowledge retention, to meet all students' needs through differentiation and adaptation of teaching, and to achieve a greater equity of student outcomes.</p>	<p>The aim of summative assessment at Crompton House School is to help us to know our students better, to assess their potential and improve performance. Our emphasis is on measuring and evaluating student outcomes by finding out what students already know, understand and can do, and then using the outcomes from our summative assessments to influence how we teach, plan improvements and identify struggling students. Our aim is a hand in glove relationship that exists between learning objectives, assessments and teaching.</p>
<p>Timescales</p>	<p>Annual Implementation and Impact</p> <p>Formative assessment at Crompton House School supports students' progress towards learning of knowledge, concepts and skills by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> consistently monitoring students' developing knowledge, understanding, and skill related to the topic at hand in order to know how to proceed with instruction in a way that maximizes the opportunity for student growth and success with key content revisiting topics/concepts/skills throughout each year; this is a core focus of our teaching and homework policies; in applying low stakes testing, students gain a firmer grasp of knowledge so they can recall and apply this much later on actively involving students in the process of teaching and learning building students' skills for peer- and self-assessment helping students to understand their own learning, and developing appropriate strategies for 'learning to learn' <p>Our processes of effective formative assessment give teachers confidence in making judgement about the progress of their students. Our students, who are actively building their understanding of new concepts, who have developed a variety of strategies that enable them to place new ideas into a larger context, and who are learning to judge the quality of their own and their peer's work against well-defined learning goals and criteria, are also developing skills that are invaluable for learning throughout their lives. The</p>	<p>If our students are not rigorously assessed, we would have no way to track progress throughout the year and no way to identify problems in time to correct them. We are therefore committed to the implementation of well thought out and carefully written summative assessments, which are directly linked to departmental schemes of work and PLCS (personalised learning checklists) in order to allow for an effective analysis of student strengths and weaknesses and evaluation of student outcomes.</p> <p>Our summative assessments will demonstrate results that reveal a degree of mastery and analysis of students' progress towards intended goals. The rigour of questions on each assessment, specifically aligning these to what is taught, will define the rigour of Crompton House, as a school, and in doing so, will determine what our students will achieve. We are focused on creating an environment in which each student is expected to learn at high levels and our summative assessments are written to require a rigorous demonstration of learning.</p>

		<p>little and often approach reinforces good habits and changes attitudes towards learning. Via frequent retrieval practice and low stakes testing, students will become more and more aware of what they are remembering.</p>	
	<p style="text-align: center;">Interim Implementation (Termly / Half Termly)</p>	<p>Key strategies of effective formative assessment on a termly / half termly basis within KS4 Communication Studies include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Book marking and feedback • Multiple choice questions • Spag worksheets and reading comprehension for homework • Targeted questioning • Interactive whiteboard whole class feedback • Monitoring on Lexia and 121 targeted support and mini lessons where needed. 	<p>Summative assessments are directly linked to the NEA (Non-exam assessed) element of the AQA Step up to English course. These assessments are taken in a classroom environment rather than an examinations hall and take place at the end of each module studied. Students are assessed on exactly the same skills and knowledge they have been learning within that module.</p> <p>In total, students will complete three NEA modules for external assessment each year. Students are required to meet a certain threshold of marks across all three pieces to receive a pass mark. The silver award is studied in Year 10 and Gold Award in Year 11. There is an opportunity to resit the silver award in Year 11 if needed.</p> <p>Summative assessments are teacher assessed, moderated and then externally sent to the examinations board for validation.</p> <p>Year 10: Silver Award Autumn Term – Module: Music</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spoken Language study • Reading assessment • Writing assessment (letter writing) <p>Spring Term - Module: Gothic Literature</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading assessment • Writing assessment (creative) <p>Spring / Summer Term –Module: Hobbies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spoken Language study • Reading assessment • Writing assessment (blog writing) <p>Year 11 Autumn 2 – Module: Holidays</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spoken Language study • Reading assessment • Writing assessment (letter writing) <p>Spring Term - Module: Pets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spoken Language study

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	<p>Weekly Implementation</p>	<p>Key strategies of effective formative assessment in action in hourly lessons within KS4 Communication Studies include:</p> <p>Skilled teacher questioning Low stakes testing such as start and end of lesson quizzes Peer-assessment Self-assessment</p>	