

# WHY CHOOSE LEVEL 2 AWARD IN Additional Core Cymraeg?



## INTRODUCTION

Do you want to be able to understand and use Welsh, the language of Wales, confidently and spontaneously? Do you want to develop a valuable skill and use Welsh in further study, in the workplace and in your communities? Do you want to be a part of the government's aim and be one of the million Welsh speakers by 2050? This is a qualification that can foster your curiosity, develop your language learning skills and strategies, and open doors to further study and future jobs.

## WHAT WILL I STUDY?

You will study three broad themes of 'cynefin', identity and culture.

**UNIT 1 (Speaking and Listening – Communication and Interaction)** In this unit you will build on the skills you have already learnt through your GCSE course and communicate and interact with others. You will develop your confidence in Welsh by:

- using a variety of language patterns and different verb tenses
- communicating information
- expressing and justifying opinions
- asking and responding to questions

## UNIT 2 (Reading and Writing – Cymraeg a Fi)

In this unit you will build on the skills you have already learnt through your GCSE course and will read and respond to different types of written language. You will be taught to:

- be more independent, creative and imaginative when reading and writing
- write a variety of forms for a variety of purposes and audiences

## HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

**EXAMINATION** - One examination will be via video conferencing:

Unit 1: Section A – Group discussion

6-8 minute discussion for pairs; 8-10 minutes for a group of three. WJEC will provide you with the stimulus. The stimulus will be based on the three broad themes.

Section B – Individual discussion

Individual 4-5 minute discussion with the examiner on a topic of personal interest. You must choose one of the three broad themes to form the basis of the discussion and the topic will have to be Welsh.

50 marks; 50% of qualification.

**NON-EXAMINATION ASSESSMENT** – There will be one non-examination assessment (two tasks):

Unit 2:

Two written tasks based on the title **Cymraeg a fi** on a topic of personal interest to you.

Task 1 – Critical response to research and analysis

Task 2 – Creative and imaginative response

Task 1 & Task 2 = Total of between 800 and 1000 words.

40 marks; 50% of qualification

Unit 1 and Unit 2 will be graded with a Pass, Merit or Distinction grade.

## WHAT SKILLS WILL I DEVELOP?

- **Speaking and Listening Skills**  
You will develop your speaking and listening skills to be able to communicate, interact, express and justify opinions and ask and respond effectively to questions.
- **Reading and Writing skills**  
You will develop your reading and writing skills to be able to understand and respond to different types of written language including critical response to research and analysis, and creative and imaginative response.
- You will be expected to demonstrate a development from what you learned in GCSE Core Cymraeg both orally and in writing by finding information independently and writing in an extended and coherent manner.

## CAREERS IN ADDITIONAL CORE CYMRAEG

### LEVEL 2 AWARD IN ADDITIONAL CORE CYMRAEG

Jobs advertised in Wales often require the ability to speak Welsh as essential or desirable. If you have GCSE Core Cymraeg and Level 2 Award in Additional Core Cymraeg qualifications and if the other candidates applying for the post do not have these qualifications, you have a head start.

The ability to speak Welsh is important and advantageous in all areas including education, health and care, the government, media and entertainment, sport, law, marketing and much more. You can even get a job in Patagonia in South America if you can speak Welsh!

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