

Leaving Cert Changes 2022

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SUBJECT	CHANGES LISTED ONLY
Accounting	<p>Section 1: Question 1 has 2 choices.</p> <p>Section 2: Answer 1 question out of 3. (Normally 2 out of 3)</p> <p>The total marks allocation is now 300 marks, instead of 400 marks.</p>
Agricultural Science	<p>Section A: 12 short questions (Q1-Q12), with additional internal choice in 4 of these questions. Answer any 7 questions from Section A. Each question carries 10 marks.</p> <p>Section B: There are 6 long questions (Q13-Q18), with internal choice in 2 questions. Answer any 3 questions from Section B. Each question carries 50 marks.</p> <p>The total marks allocation is now 220 marks, instead of 300 marks.</p>
Applied Maths	<p>Answer 5 out of 10 questions (Normally 6 out of 10)</p> <p>The total marks allocation is 250 marks, instead of 300 marks.</p>
Arabic	<p>Answer either Part 1, Reading Comprehension OR Part 3, Language Usage/Grammar. Part 2, Literature: Answer any 4 of the 9 questions. (additional choice)</p> <p>The total marks allocation is 320 marks, instead of 400 marks.</p>
Art History	<p>Answer 2 questions (normally 3) 50 marks each.</p> <p>The total marks allocation is 100 marks, instead of 150 marks.</p>
Biology	<p>Section A: Answer any 4 short questions from 7. Section A is now worth 80 marks.</p> <p>Section B: Answer any 1 question from 3. Section B is now worth 30 marks.</p> <p>Section C: Answer any 3 questions from 7. Section C is now worth 180 marks.</p> <p>The total marks allocation is 290 marks, instead of 400 marks.</p>
Business	<p>Section 1 - Student now answers 4 questions out of 12. (Normally 8 out of 10)</p> <p>Section 3 - Students now answers 3 questions out of 8. (Normally 4 out of 7)</p> <p>The total marks allocation is now 300 marks, instead of 400 marks.</p>
Chemistry	<p>Q4 contains an additional part to normal - it is now answer 8 parts from (a) to (l) and Q11 contains an extra part to normal - it is now answer 2 parts from (a) to (d). Students to answer any 6 out of 11 questions. 50 marks per question.</p> <p>Students are not required to answer at least two questions from Section A.</p> <p>The total marks allocation is now 300 marks, instead of 400 marks.</p>
Chinese (Mandarin)	<p>Higher:</p> <p>Section A: Answer 3 questions out of 4. (normally answer all of Section A)</p> <p>Students answer Question 1 or Question 2 and must do both Questions 3 and 4.</p> <p>Internal choice in Question 4 will be introduced as an adjustment for this year only.</p> <p>Section B: Answer 2: question 5, (a) or (b) or (c) and question 6, (a) or (b) or (c).</p> <p>Ordinary:</p> <p>Section A: Answer 3 questions out of 4. (normally answer all of Section A)</p> <p>Students answer Question 2 or Question 3 and must do both Questions 1 and 4.</p> <p>Section B: Answer BOTH questions, Questions 5 AND Question 6.</p> <p>Internal choice will be increased in each question.</p>

Classical Studies	Students will now answer 4 questions (normally 6). Students must still select 1 topic from each of the 3 groups. The fourth question can be chosen from any topic in any group. The total marks allocation is 200 marks, instead of 300 marks.
Computer Science	Section A: Answer 6 questions out of 12. (normally answer all of Section A) Section B: Answer 1 questions out of 3. (normally answer all of Section B) Section C: Answer 1 question. Answer all questions parts. The total marks allocation is 110 marks, instead of 210 marks.
DCG	Section B AND Section C: (120 marks) Attempt any 2 out of the 8 questions. Students may choose to answer 2 questions from Section B, or 2 questions from Section C, or 1 question from each section. The total marks allocation is 180 marks, instead of 240 marks.
Economics	Section A - Students now do 5 questions out of 10. (Normally 8 out of 8) Section B - Students now do 3 questions out of 6. (Normally 4 out of 5) The total marks allocation is 300 marks, instead of 400 marks.
English H & O Level	Paper 1 • Section I – Comprehending: Two Questions, A and B, follow each text. Instead of answering a Question A on one text and a Question B on another text, this year students will be required to answer only ONE question in Section I . • Candidates must answer either one Question A OR one Question B on ONE text. The total marks allocation is 140 marks, instead of 200 marks. Paper 2 Instead of answering on all 3 sections, students may choose to answer the required number of questions in any TWO of the following sections: SECTION I – The Single Text, SECTION II – The Comparative Study, SECTION III – Poetry • All sections carry 70 marks. N.B. Candidates are NOT required to answer on Shakespearean Drama. The total marks allocation is 140 marks, instead of 200 marks.
French H & O Level	Higher: In the written paper: 1 reading comprehension instead of doing both. Marks = 60 (Normally 120 marks) 2 Answer TWO questions – Question 1 (a or b or c) and ONE of Questions 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. Writing pieces worth 40 and 30 marks. Marks = 70 (Normally 100 marks) The total marks for the written paper is 130 marks , instead of 220 marks. Ordinary: Changes in the reading section only: Section A: Students have to answer 2 questions (normally 4) Students will do either Reading Comprehension 1 or 2 (answer in English or in Irish) and either Reading Comprehension 3 or 4 (where they answer in French). Section B: Students answer TWO questions from questions 1, 2 and 3. Each question has an internal choice of (a) or (b). Questions 1(b) – Form – candidates will answer parts 1 to 5 and 3 of the 4 remaining parts. Questions 2(a), 2(b) 3(a) and 3(b) internal choice will be introduced – Candidates will answer 3 of the 5 points in the question(s) they choose. The total marks for the written paper is 140 marks , instead of 220 marks.

Geography	<p>Part 2. Answer 3 questions (previously 4 questions). Students may NOT choose all 3 questions from the same section, they may choose 2 from the same section.</p> <p>The total marks allocation is 320 marks, instead of 400 marks.</p>
German	<p>Written Paper:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Answer Text I (Reading Comprehension 1)(60 marks) AND Angewandte Grammatik (Applied Grammar) (Question 1 or Question 2) (25 marks). OR •Answer Text II (Reading Comprehension 2)(60 marks) AND Äußerung zum Thema (short written piece) (Option (a) or (b)) (25 marks). AND •Answer either option (a) or (b) in the Schriftliche Produktion (Written Production) section (50 marks). The total marks allocation is 135 marks, instead of 220 marks.
History	<p>Sections 2 and 3: Students are required to write 2 essays (normally 3 essays) You must NOT take two essays from one topic.</p> <p>The total marks allocation is 300 marks, instead of 400 marks.</p>
Home Economics	<p>Section A: Students must answer 5 out of 14 questions (normally 10 out of 12) Section B: Students are required to answer 1 question out of a possible 4 from Q2, Q3, Q4 and Q5 (normally 2 out of 4) Section C: Additional Choice - Q4 - students answer 1 question as usual.</p> <p>Marks allocation is 200 or 240, instead of 280 or 320 marks for the written paper.</p>
Irish H & O Level	<p>Ordinary Paper 2: marks allocation is 150 marks, instead of 200 marks. Paper 2. Both comprehensions have to be completed. Prose and poetry have been changed. 4 questions to be asked. 2 to be completed in any combination, i.e. 2 prose, or 2 poetry or 1 poetry and 1 prose. Both will be worth 25 marks each. In essence, students need to know either the prose OR the poetry.</p> <p>Higher Paper 2: marks allocation is 120 marks, instead of 200 marks. Paper 2. Students will have a choice between Léamhthuisctint A NÓ B. They also have a choice to answer EITHER Ceist 2 Prós NO Ceist 3 Filíocht. If students choose 'Ceist 2 - próis' - Answer 1 question out of 2. If students choose 'Ceist 3 - Filíocht', Answer 1 question out of 2.</p>
Italian	<p>Students have a choice between Section A or Section B. (normally have to do both) Section C: Question 1: There will be an internal choice of 3 questions from 5. Question 2: An extended range of 10 points from which students choose 6 to develop in the guided composition.</p> <p>The total marks allocation for written paper is 160 marks, instead of 220 marks.</p>
Maths H & O Level	<p>Higher & Ordinary - No choice in previous years, in 2022:</p> <p>Section A: Answer 4 out of 6 questions (30 marks each question) Section B: Answer 2 out of 4 questions (50 marks each question)</p> <p>The total marks allocation for each paper is 220 Marks, instead of 300 marks.</p>
Music	<p>There has been a change to the composing paper. Students will now be required to answer only 1 question, either a melody or a harmony question.</p> <p>This question (and paper) will now be worth 50 marks, instead of 100 marks.</p>

Physical Education	<p>Section A: Answer 5 questions out of 12. (normally answer all of Section A) Section C: Answer 2 questions out of 5. (normally 3 out of 5)</p> <p>The total marks allocation is 170 marks, instead of 250 marks.</p>
Physics	<p>Section A: Answer 2 questions out of 5. (normally 3 out of 4) Section B: Answer 4 questions out of 9. (normally 5 out of 8). In the first question in Section B students answer 8 out of 12 short questions (normally 8 out of 10)</p> <p>The total marks allocation is 304 marks, instead of 400 marks.</p>
Politics & Society	<p>In order to provide further choice: Section A – Short Answer Questions will have additional questions to choose from; Section B – Data-based Questions will have the focus of the last question restricted to the information presented in the data-based documents and Section C – Discursive Essay Questions will have 5 questions at 100 marks each instead of the usual 4 questions.</p> <p>Section C: Answer only 1 question (normally 2)</p> <p>The total marks allocation is 300 marks, instead of 400 marks.</p>
Religion	<p>Unit 2: Answer only 1 question out of 3 (normally 2 out of 3)</p> <p>Students have additional choice of questions within Unit 2 and will be required to answer questions from only 2 of 3 parts within each section in this unit.</p> <p>Unit 3: Students will have a choice of questions within each section of Unit 3.</p> <p>The total marks allocation is 240 marks, instead of 320 marks.</p>
Spanish H & O Level	<p>Higher: Section A, Question 2: instead of answering both parts (a) and (b) as is usually required, students answer only ONE part. Section C: Answer ONE out of entire section (Dialogue OR Letter OR Diary Entry OR Note)</p> <p>The total marks for the written paper is 185 marks, instead of 220 marks.</p> <p>Ordinary: Section A: Students are required to answer Question 1 AND Question 5 and ONE of either Questions 2, 3, or 4. Question 1 will be marked in 2022 out of 45 marks, instead of the usual 50 marks. Question 5 will be marked, as usual, out of 40 marks. Questions 2, 3 and 4 will be marked in 2022 out of 25 marks each, instead of the usual 25, 20, 25 marks.</p> <p>The total marks for the written paper is 170 marks, instead of 220 marks.</p>