

A Level and GCSE Post Results Services Explained

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There are currently two main Post Results Services that awarding bodies offer - Review of Results (RoR) and Access to Scripts (ATS):

Access to Scripts

Two options are available from most awarding bodies:

1. Copies of your exam script to help you decide whether you wish to apply for a review of marking **(Service A1)**
2. Copies of exam scripts to support teaching and learning **(Service A2)**

Prior written permission must be provided by the candidate before a script can be accessed which will also confirm whether the student is happy for their script to be shared with the school.

Once the school has obtained your exam script these will be emailed to your Simon Balle email address.

Review of Results

Please note that reviewers will not re-mark the script. They will only act to correct any errors identified in the original marking.

Clerical re-check - (Service 1)

This is a check carried out by the awarding body which includes the following:

- That all parts of the script have been marked;
- The totalling of the marks;
- The recording of the marks

The awarding body will report the outcome of the clerical re-check along with a statement of the total marks awarded for each unit, or component, included in the check.

Review of Marking - (Service 2)

This is a post-results review of the original marking to ensure that the mark scheme has been applied correctly. This service will include a 'clerical re-check'.

A marking error can occur because of:

- An administrative error;
- A failure to apply the mark scheme where a task has only a 'right' or a 'wrong' answer;
- An unreasonable exercise of academic judgement

Priority Review of Marking - (Priority Service 2) - Y13 Students Only

This is the same service as a review of marking but it is reviewed as a priority therefore has an earlier deadline. It is generally used by A Level students as it is understood that grade decisions can impact their UCAS (University/Higher Education) applications.

Please Remember:

- The decision to apply for post results services should not be done lightly; you must be aware that if you request a review of marking your results can move up **or down**; we cannot predict or presume a likely outcome and once this has been done there are very limited options for recourse
- For A Level reviews it is the responsibility of the student to inform the University or College that a review of results has been requested. The school or the awarding body **will not** inform UCAS or others of this.
- All post results services must be requested via the exams office and cannot be requested by the student. Please send the completed paperwork to **exams@simonballe.herts.sch.uk** and ensure that the payment for the service you are requesting has been made as no requests will be processed until payment has been received.
- Fees are charged on an individual exam basis – not on a course basis e.g. If you sat 2 papers as part of your exam, you will be charged for each paper that you request a post results service for.
- Always check the grade boundaries before you request any post results services and we strongly recommend that you talk to a member of subject staff, before you make your application.