

The Educational System in England



The division of education

The school system in England is divided into four key stages;

- Primary education (ages 5 to 11)
- Secondary education (11-16)
- Further education (17 to 18)
- Higher education (18+)

School attendance is mandatory from the ages of 5 to 16.



The school curriculum

The school curriculum is made up of twelve subjects. The main subjects, which are English, Maths and Science, are obligatory for all students aged 5 to 16. The other subjects are compulsory at one or more Key Stages. At the age of 14, British students study up to 11 subjects of their choice. At the age of 17, they specialise in 3 to 4 subjects based on their own wills.

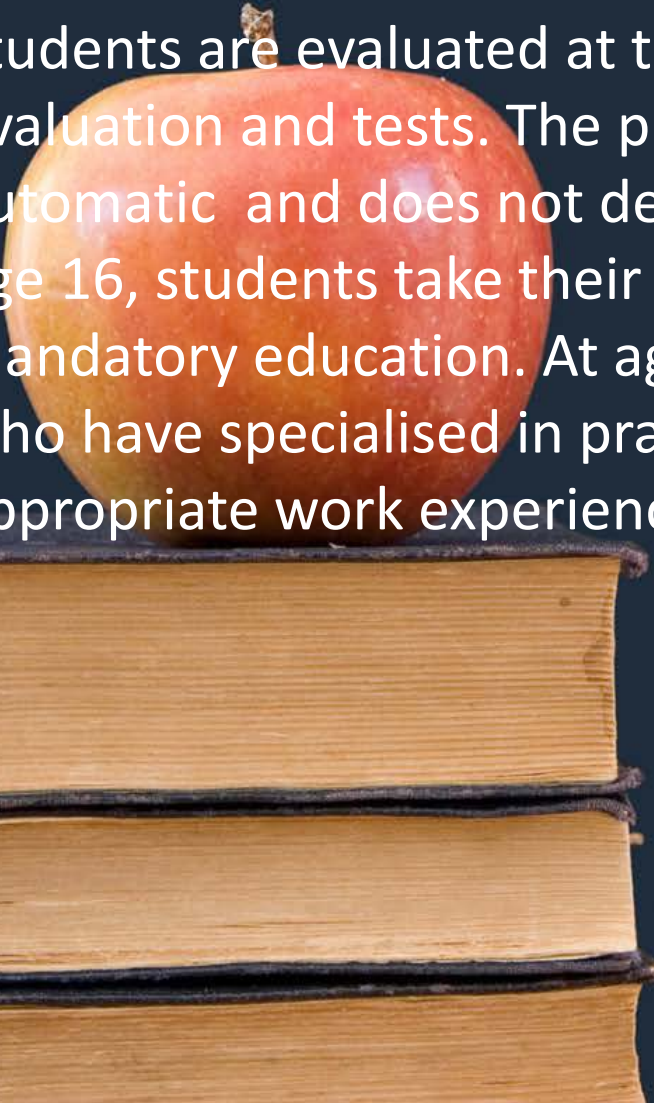
Secondary and Further education

From ages of 11 to 16, English students attend secondary school. After their General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE) they have the option either to go onto further education for 2 years or finish school and enter the working world. They can continue their studies at a sixth form college, which offers academic education or at a further education college, which offers vocational courses, depending on the skills and knowledge of each student.

EDUCATION

FUTURE

Tests & Exams



Students are evaluated at the end of each stage with teacher evaluation and tests. The promotion to the next key stage is automatic and does not depend on the results of evaluation. At age 16, students take their GCSEs. GCSEs mark the end of mandatory education. At age 18, students take A-levels. Student who have specialised in practical subjects and have the appropriate work experience, take a qualification called Diploma.

Primary Education

**Secondary
Education**

**Further
Education**

**Higher
Education**

Work

General Certificate of Secondary Education

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