

GCSE Biology Examination Information

Subject Content:

1. Cell biology
2. Organisation
3. Infection and response
4. Bioenergetics
5. Homeostasis and response
6. Inheritance, variation and evolution
7. Ecology
8. Key ideas

Subject	Exam board	Exam Board Specification Title	Link to specification
GCSE Biology	AQA	BIOLOGY (8461)	Specification

Assessment:

Biology Paper 1
What's assessed <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Topics 1–4: Cell biology; Organisation; Infection and response; and Bioenergetics.
How it's assessed <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes• Foundation and Higher Tier• 100 marks• 50% of GCSE

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Questions

Multiple choice, structured, closed short answer, and open response.

Biology Paper 2

What's assessed

- Topics 5–7: Homeostasis and response; Inheritance, variation and evolution; and Ecology.

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 1 hour 45 minutes
- Foundation and Higher Tier
- 100 marks
- 50% of GCSE

Questions

Multiple choice, structured, closed short answer, and open response.