

Whichever route you then follow, Unit 3, 4 or 5, you will sit another written examination paper giving you the other half of your marks. The questions will be a mixture of multiple-choice, data response, short-answer, extended-writing and scenario-based questions. For example, you might be given details of a business and asked a few questions based on that business.

For the Short Course, you will complete the controlled assessment task in Unit 2 and the Unit 6 written examination. For Unit 6, you will study exactly the same topics as in Unit 1, but your written examination will be slightly different. Your examination paper will consist of multiple-choice, objective test and extended-answer questions.

What can I do after I've completed the course?

No matter which route you follow, all these business courses can help you prepare for further and higher education. They prepare you for AS/A2 Levels as well as BTEC and NVQ courses in many different subjects. You will become skilled in making decisions, being creative, solving problems, understanding finance, dealing with data, communicating and working as part of team. Even if you do not want to go on to study business further you will have benefited from studying a GCSE Business course because many jobs you do will involve working for a business. However, a GCSE Business course could lead to work in a business-related profession such as accountancy, law, marketing or the leisure and tourism industry.

Next steps!

If you want to find out more about the skills you might learn or should develop when studying this course, watch BBC programmes like *The Apprentice*, *Dragons' Den* and *Working Lunch*. You could also look at the following websites to discover the types of things you might learn;

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/business

www.bized.co.uk

www.businessstudiesonline.co.uk

www.thetimes100.co.uk

