

# In-School Student Revision Conferences

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*Bringing GCSE & A Level success into your school*



## Benefits of In-School GCSE & AS/A Level Conferences...

- > Bring expert examiners and leading practitioners into your school to give your students **vital insight** and **raise examination grades**
- > Choose from over 40 GCSE and A Level **exam board specific** conferences
- > Tailor your chosen conference to suit your student groups – Grades 9-7, 9-5, key focus areas
- > Achieve **excellent value for money** with no hassle, no copying, no booking of transport or taking students out of school – everything is organised for you and comes direct to your school

### Our Conference Speakers include:

- > Leading Senior Examiners
  - > Experienced practitioners
  - > High profile subject experts
  - > GCSE and A Level examination authors
- > **SCRATCH**, a leading comedy group, extremely popular amongst students and teachers in many current student conferences, who will perform a number of focused, engaging sketches designed to deepen students' understanding of key topic areas.

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As a leading national provider of Student Revision Conferences for secondary students, Keynote has now expanded its provision bringing student success to your school through its new In-School student revision conferences.

With a strong focus on enhancing the examination performance of your GCSE and AS/A Level students these conferences have witnessed considerable growth in number of schools with over 300 schools running Keynote in-school student conferences, with over 300 last year, many schools repeating their booking year-on-year for the benefit of their students.

Due to demand, we are delighted to be further expanding our provision which brings our full range of student conferences directly into your school. The conferences are especially designed to provide top level examiner advice and guidance from **senior examiners, lead subject practitioners, and examination authors**; they will give your students vital insight into what examiners expect from candidates, and how best students can prepare those key aspects for examination success.

## Benefits of In-School Conferences

- ✓ Gain **first-hand guidance and advice** from examiners and practitioners into how to access the top grades
- ✓ Benefit from a **specially prepared set of notes** which has been designed by examiners to give students a fully interactive and engaging day
- ✓ Follow-up the conference tasks and activities with **subsequent revision sessions**
- ✓ Benefit from the conference structure flexibility by including a **tailored teacher session** with conference speakers
- ✓ Include **'SCRATCH'**, a leading UK comedy group to perform a number of focused sketches to enhance understanding of key topic areas through an alternative comedic dimension
- ✓ Achieve excellent value for money: **share the costs with your partner schools**

## See what schools have said about our Student Conferences:

“ A very positive experience. Our students found the content highly beneficial as part of their preparation for this summer’s examination. It has provided them with confidence that they know more than they thought but also highlighted to them the importance of structuring their written answers correctly which was a key focus of the day.” *St Peters School*

“ Really useful information on specific questions for both students and staff. Appropriate time on different sections. Clear & relevant tips on how to attack each.” *Allerton Grange School*

“ Very well organised and excellent presentations delivered with a range of opportunities to explore exam questions.” *Tauheedul Girls College*

“ Very good. Concise understanding of what the question demands and tips on how to answer these.” *Beis Yaakov High School*

“ Excellent; very informative, reassuring to know that we are teaching correct exam technique.” *The Langley Academy*

## Choose from our range of subjects

AQA, Edexcel/ Pearson, OCR)

### English

- > GCSE AQA English & English Language: Reaching Grades 7-9
- > GCSE AQA English & English Language: Reaching a Grade 5

### Mathematics

- > GCSE Mathematics: Achieving a Grade 7-9
- > GCSE Mathematics: Achieving a Grade 5

### Sciences

- > Year 1 & Year 2 Biology
- > Year 1 & Year 2 Chemistry
- > Year 1 & Year 2 Physics
- > GCSE Science: Core & Additional, Triple

### PE

- > A Level PE
- > GCSE PE: Reaching Grades 7 – 9
- > GCSE PE: Reaching a Grade 5

### Psychology

- > Year 1 & Year 2 Psychology
- > GCSE Psychology

### History

AS/A History Conferences:

- > Russia 1917 - 1990
- > Germany 1871 - 1990
- > GCSE History: Thematic Studies
- > GCSE History: Achieving a Grade 7-9
- > GCSE History: Achieving a Grade 5

### Languages

- > A Level French
- > A Level Spanish
- > GCSE French
- > GCSE German
- > GCSE Spanish

### Performing Arts

- > A Level Music
- > GCSE Dance
- > GCSE Drama
- > GCSE Music

Please enquire about other subjects and levels

# In-School Day Formats How your in-School Conference might look

## Example 2018 programme: AQA GCSE English Language: Reaching Grades 7-9

10.20 – 10.30am

### Welcome and Introduction: Getting under the skin of the specification and accessing the top grades

- > What are the examiners looking for? What does a grade 7-9 student look like?
- > Examiners' tips: what are the key skills to reach the top grades?
- > Winning the marathon: top tips on using your time effectively.
- > Nailing the tricky stuff

10.30 – 11.00am

### Paper 1: Question 3, Structure

- > EXAMINER MESSAGE: This isn't a language question!
- > STUDENT ACTIVITY: On-stage student activity. Why putting the right things in the right places will get you the grade.
- > EXEMPLAR RESPONSE: What's so good about it?!

11.00 – 11.40am

### Paper 1: Question 4, Evaluation

- > EXAMINER MESSAGE: Unpicking evaluative: What is it and how do you write it?
- > STUDENT ACTIVITY: Choosing the right evidence for the right response
- > EXEMPLAR RESPONSE: What's so good about it?!

11.40 – 12.00pm **Morning break**

- > Submit your questions for the question box

12.00 – 12.30pm

### Paper 2: Question 2, Summary

- > EXAMINER MESSAGE: Reducing and refining - Bringing it all together but knowing they are different
- > STUDENT ACTIVITY: Making meaning clear in the least amount of words!
- > EXEMPLAR RESPONSE: What's so good about it?!

12.30 – 1.10pm

### Paper 2: Question 4, Comparison

- > EXAMINER MESSAGE: Same, same but different. Method not content
- > STUDENT ACTIVITY: Looking for the unobvious
- > EXEMPLAR RESPONSE: What's so good about it?!

1.10 – 1.45pm

### Lunch

1.45 – 2.00pm

### Question Box

- > Speakers will answer any questions that have arisen so far from the day

2.00 – 2.15pm

### Punctuate to articulate: The importance of accuracy in your GPS

- > Easy ways to raise your grade
- > The importance of accuracy in your GPS

2.15 – 2.45pm

### Paper 1: Question 5, Narrative or Descriptive Writing

- > EXAMINER MESSAGE: short cuts to excellent writing in the exam; and how to be original in your writing – grade 7-9 exemplar.
- > STUDENT ACTIVITY: Tried and tested techniques for you to practise. Can this move your 7 to an 8?
- > EXEMPLAR RESPONSE: What's so good about it?!

2.45 – 3.15pm

### Paper 2: Question 5, Writing to Present a Viewpoint

- > EXAMINER MESSAGE: what we want and how to do it! Sequencing your argument.
- > STUDENT ACTIVITY: hitting the grade 7-9 standard; marking real examples of student responses
- > EXEMPLAR RESPONSE: What's so good about it?!

3.15 – 3.30pm

### Final Messages

- > EXAMINERS' FINAL MESSAGES: key points from each of the presenters – how to be the grade 7-9 student we are looking for!
- > FINAL SKETCH: putting it all together - inter-school quiz

## Conference Structure Flexibility

Example ways to adapt and personalise the conference to meet your student's requirements

### Option 1

#### Off-the-Shelf

Choose one of our existing student conferences or tailor the content more specifically to meet the needs of your students, with one, two or three speakers.

### Option 2

#### Split Day

Split your day: have a morning student session and an afternoon teacher session with your speaker on key examination areas to focus on.

### Option 3

#### Differentiation

Adapt your chosen conference to include workshop sessions eg; Reaching a Grade 5 and Reaching a Grade 7 – 9.

## What to do next?

If you are interested in holding one or more student conferences in your school, please contact **Jessica** on **01625 532974** to discuss further, or fax us on **01625 532524**, or email **online@keynote.org.uk** with some initial details, including your contact details and we will return your enquiry within 48 hours.

Alternatively, please complete the Message Box on our website **www.keynote.org.uk** using the details below for follow up discussions.

## What will it cost?

Prices start from £1,050 + VAT, based on a one day conference, and includes:

- > **Full organisation**
- > **Presenter** (fees, travel and associated expenses)
- > **Consultancy**
- > **Course notes/resources printed and delivered to your school**

Please enquire about the cost for **Additional Choice Options:**

- > **Additional conference presenters**
- > **Post-conference follow-on sessions**
- > **Scratch, the leading comedy group participation**

## Enquiries and Bookings

In your enquiries please give the following information

- > **The subject, level (GCSE or A Level) and/or exam board that your enquiry relates to**
- > **What options you may be interested in**
- > **Your model for the day ie. full day all students, half day all students, differentiated into groups for other half, half day students/half day teachers**
- > **How many (approximate) students are likely to be attending**
- > **Is the conference for students of one school only or more than one school**
- > **When would you like the conference to be held (term; month; specific day)?**



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