

## What is the EPQ?

- A piece of independent, in-depth research
- A written report and presentation
- Worth half an A-level
- Especially recognised by Leeds, Manchester and Newcastle (all RG)

**What Newcastle University say about the EPQ:** We value the skills of research and independent learning that the Extended Project is designed to develop. We welcome applications from students offering the Extended Project alongside A-levels. If you offer an Extended Project, it will be taken into account. Your offer may be varied as a result, in recognition of the level of study skills you will have developed.

University Skills: Written Essay = 5000 words

## Requires specific skills:

- Researching
- Finding sources
- Essay writing
- Referencing

## Transferable skills:

- Problem solving
- Analysis
- Critical thinking

## How does it work?

You will each have a 'supervisor'

You will attend block lessons, which will teach you key skills

You will then have a one-hour slot each week with your supervisor

You have to physically complete:

- A Proposal Form
- A Log
- A Presentation
- A Written Report (5000 words)

## Rules and Deadlines

The EPQ has to be 'extension work'

- It cannot be something you have already done
- But, it can be linked to one of your A-level topics – this is often the best method because it helps to underpin your studies
- Or, it could be nothing whatsoever to do with what you are doing at 6th Form

## How am I assessed?

Four parts:

AO1 Manage (10 marks)

AO2 Use Resources (10 marks)

AO3 Develop and Realise (20 marks)

AO4 Review (10 marks)

## Grade Tariff points

A*	28
A	24
B	20
C	16
D	12
E	8

