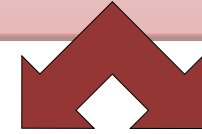
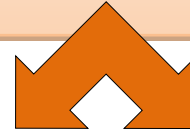
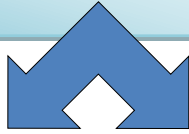


...5 OR MORE A*-C GRADES AT GCSE
(including English & maths)

...MAINLY Ds AT GCSE
(4+ Ds usually required)

...E-G GRADES OR BELOW



A-LEVELS
(AS & A2)

Level 3 course
Lasts 2 years
Pick 4 subjects
Academic
Exams and coursework
Average Point Score often required
Can lead to work or higher education

LEVEL 3
BTEC
(EXTENDED)
DIPLOMA

Level 3 course
Lasts 2 years
Pick 1 subject
Vocational
Practical
Majority coursework
Can lead to work or higher education

NATIONAL
APPRENTICE
-SHIP
LEVEL 3

Level 3 training
Usually 2 years
1 subject
Based in a work placement & college
Can lead to employment and/ or higher education

LEVEL 2 BTEC
DIPLOMA

Level 2 course
Lasts 1 year
Pick 1 subject
Vocational
Practical
Majority coursework
Can lead to level 3 BTEC with a Merit pass or higher

NATIONAL
APPRENTICE-
SHIP LEVEL 2

Level 2 training
Usually 1 year
1 subject
Vocational
Based in a work placement & college
Can lead to employment and/ or Level 3 training

LEVEL 1 BTEC
CERTIFICATE

Level 1 course
Lasts 1 year
Pick 1 subject
Vocational
Practical
Majority coursework;
Can lead to level 2 BTEC with a Merit pass or higher

PRE-
APPRENTICE-
SHIP LEVEL 1

Level 1 training
Usually 1 year
1 subject
Vocational
Based in a work placement & college
Can lead to employment and/ or Level 2 training