# How we Calculate Projected Grades 

Projected grades are statistically generated predictions of the grade a student is likely to score at GCSE based on their most recent subject test. All projections are checked by staff to ensure that they accurately represent each student's performance.

1. Students' tests are marked and awarded scores. They receive formative feedback from their teachers immediately.


## 2. Students are ranked by their test scores



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23 Marks

3. Once they are ordered their scores are no longer required for grading


Lowest Score $\qquad$
4. The proportion of students receiving each grade in the national GCSE exam is calculated for the subject

| Grade | U | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ |
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| Proportion of students | $5 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $5 \%$ |

5. The ranked students are awarded projected grades in the same proportions as the national outcomes


## 6. Each student's projected grade is compared with their targets generated by the Fisher Family Trust (FFT)

| Student A: Subject English Lang |  |
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| Projected Grade | FFT Target Grade |
| 6 | 6 |

ON TARGET: Student A's most recent test indicates that they are on track to achieve their target grade of a 6 in their GCSE at the end of year 11.

## Student B: Subject English Lang

Projected Grade
FFT Target Grade
5

BELOW TARGET: Student B's most recent test indicates that they are not on track to reach their target of a 6 in their GCSE at the end of year 11 and are at present likely to score a grade 5 .

However, they can improve their performance by following feedback from their teacher

To ensure our targets are challenging they are based on the results of the top $5 \%$ of schools and each student is estimated to have at least a $50 \%$ chance of achieving them. They are generated by the Fischer Family Trust - a highly regarded institution that generates national data for schools - from each student's prior attainment

