



## Results day guide for students, parents and carers

### CAMBRIDGE TECHNICALS



**WELL DONE** on getting your Cambridge Technicals results!  
**We wish you every success in moving ahead to the next stage.**

We know this has been a difficult year for all of you and we have been working hard to try and make sure you get the results you deserve. This guide will help you understand your grades, how they were awarded, and what your next steps are.

## WE WILL COVER:

- How we calculated your final grades
- What to do if you have any questions about your results
- Questions to help you consider your next steps.

## WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR FINAL GRADES

If you have any questions or concerns about your final grades, please speak to your teachers. They will be able to give you more information on the process for awarding grades this summer.



# HOW WE CALCULATED YOUR FINAL GRADES

The grades you receive this year carry the same value as any other year.

We used the centre assessment grades and rank orders your school or college gave us for incomplete units, along with grades for any units you had already completed to calculate your final grades.

## STEP 1

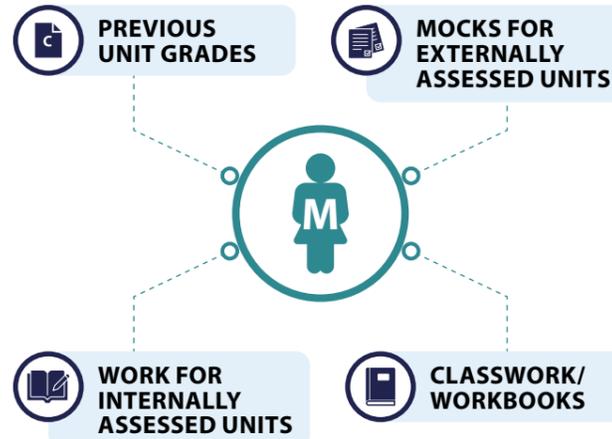
We've standardised the unit grades your school or college sent to us to make sure that results for each Cambridge Technicals units are fair across all schools and colleges.



### CENTRE ASSESSMENT GRADES

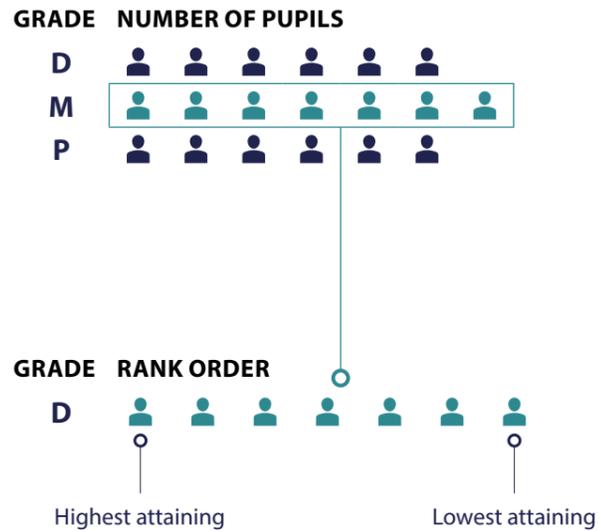
This is the grade that your school or college thought you would have most likely achieved in any incomplete units if you had completed all of the assessment.

They looked at a full range of evidence to decide your centre assessment grade for these units.



### RANK ORDER

Your school or college also gave us a rank order of students within each grade for each incomplete unit based on performance from highest to lowest.



### STANDARDISING CENTRE ASSESSMENT UNIT GRADES

We looked at the data we have about a school or college's previous Cambridge Technicals results to make sure that, as far as possible, results for each unit are fair across all schools and colleges.

If the judgements made in some schools or colleges for a unit were more generous than others, we adjusted the unit grade of students downwards to bring them into line.

If the judgements made in some schools or colleges for a unit were more severe than others, we adjusted the unit grade of students upwards to bring them into line.

If the centre assessment grades were HIGH, we adjusted down.

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If the centre assessment grades were LOW, we adjusted up.

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**This may mean that your final grade for a subject may be different to the centre assessment grade submitted by your school or college.**

## STEP 2

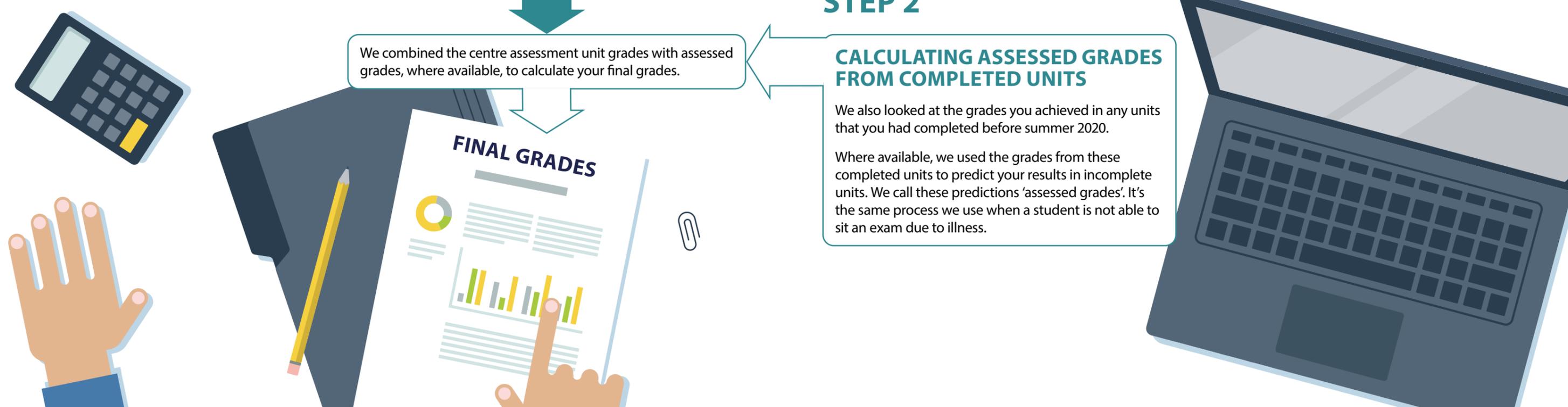
### CALCULATING ASSESSED GRADES FROM COMPLETED UNITS

We also looked at the grades you achieved in any units that you had completed before summer 2020.

Where available, we used the grades from these completed units to predict your results in incomplete units. We call these predictions 'assessed grades'. It's the same process we use when a student is not able to sit an exam due to illness.

We combined the centre assessment unit grades with assessed grades, where available, to calculate your final grades.

### FINAL GRADES

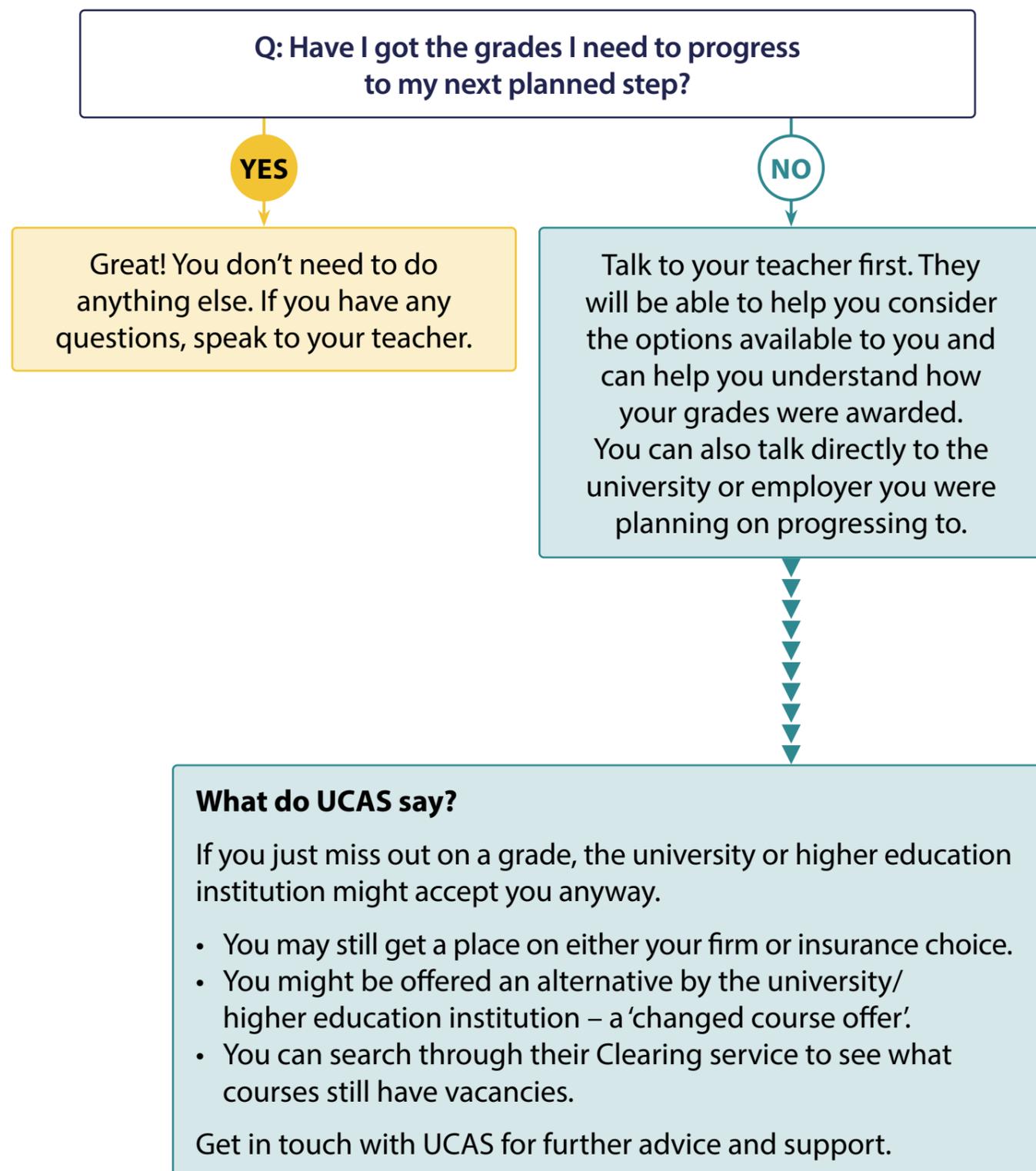


If you are unhappy with your results and want to know what your options are, take a look at the 'next steps' section below.

## NEXT STEPS – CAMBRIDGE TECHNICALS

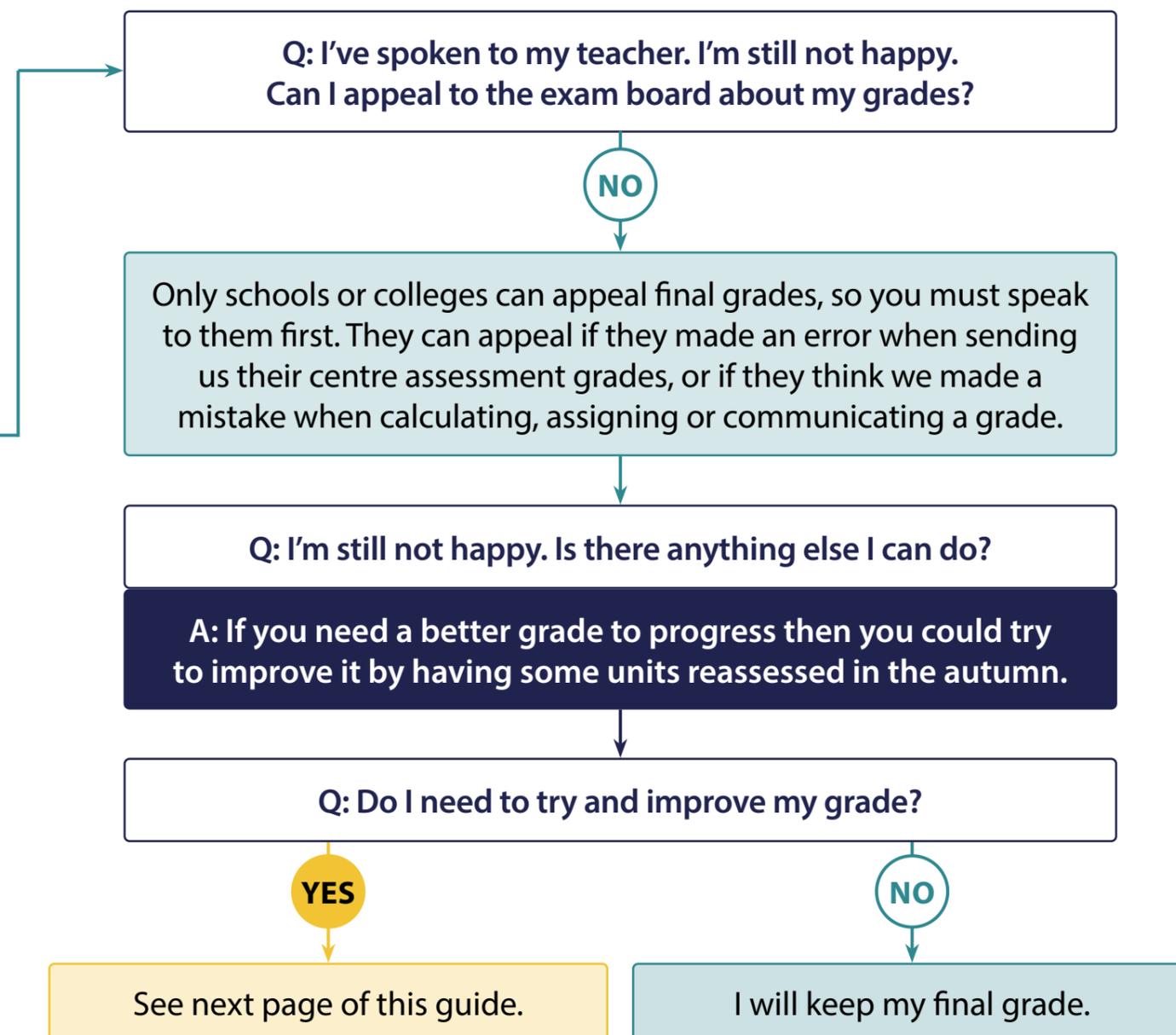
The process for awarding your final grades this summer has been designed to be as fair as possible, so that you can quickly progress to your next planned step.

### What are my options?



If you are unhappy with your results, the questions below will help you understand what your options are and decide whether to take any further action. If you're feeling particularly anxious, talk to your teacher.

We would encourage you to consider whether or not your final grades let you progress to your next planned step before you make a decision. Being able to progress to your future is far more important than specific grades, even if you feel disappointed.



You need to let your university or college choices know if your school or college is submitting an appeal. Keep them informed – they may be able to keep the place for you while you wait for the outcome. If you've already had an unsuccessful decision applied to your offer, you should still get in touch with the university or college so you can work through the available options.

[ucas.com/undergraduate/results-confirmation-and-clearing/ucas-undergraduate-results](https://ucas.com/undergraduate/results-confirmation-and-clearing/ucas-undergraduate-results)

# CAMBRIDGE TECHNICALS – YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

## How can I query my results?

If you have any queries about your results slip, please talk to your teacher or the exams officer at your school or college.

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## Is there an opportunity to submit work and improve my grade?

Yes, you can be reassessed for any moderated units this autumn. Please speak to your teacher for more information.

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## What about examined units?

The next opportunity to sit examined assessment will be in January 2021. Please speak to your teacher for more information.

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## What other information is there?

Further [guidance for students](#) is available on our website, alongside blogs about how to handle results day if you aren't happy with your results and a blog about anxiety on results day too.

You may also find it helpful to take a look at the UCAS website.

Ofqual, our regulator, has released its own [student guide](#) explaining how results were calculated this year.