

## Understanding the Data Track System – Key Stage 4

### **Example Report:**

Subject	Target Grade	Estimated Grade
English	6	6B
Mathematics	5	5B
Science	77	88
Sport Studies	D*	D*3

### **Targets**

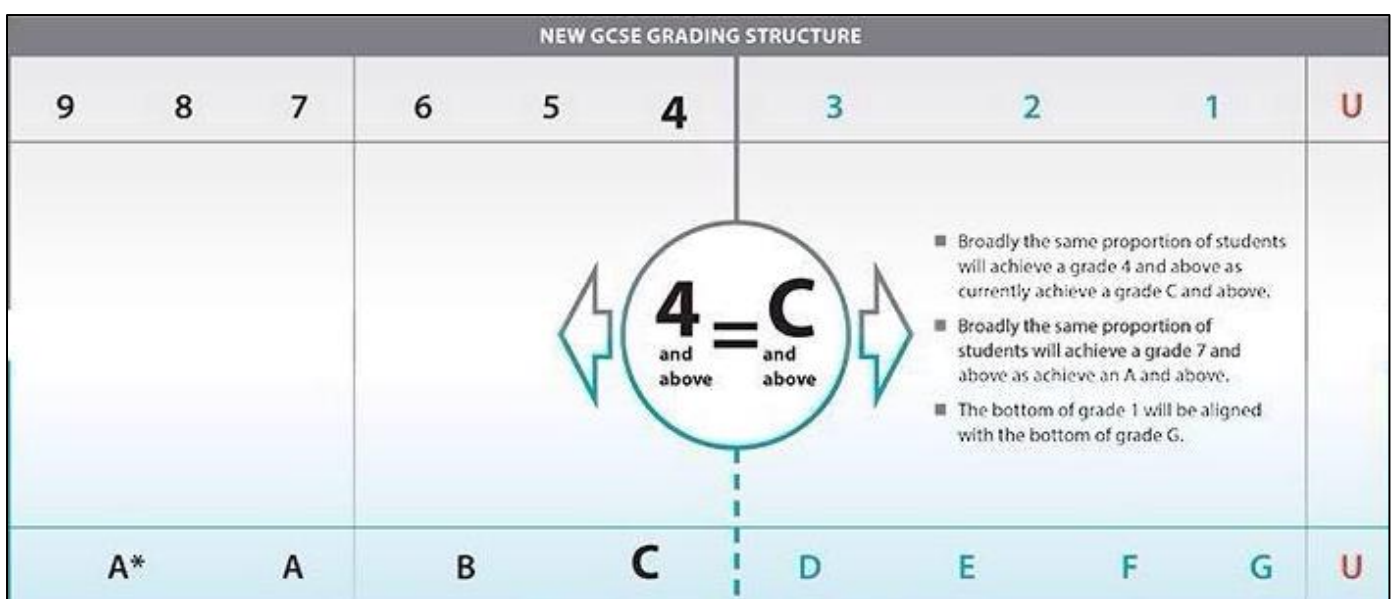
Targets are based on prior attainment and are prescribed from KS2 attainment.

### **Estimated Grades**

Estimated grades are a professional judgement of the grade a student will achieve by the end of year 11 and is based on classroom assessments and pre-public examinations. Estimated grades can increase and decrease during years 10 and 11.

### **Numbers**

In 2017, the government introduced a number-based grading system for GCSEs. The system goes from 9 – 1. The conversion from the letters grades previously awarded to the number grades can be seen below.





On the data track for these subjects, you will see a letter next to the number. The letter represents the confidence that we have in the student achieving that level.

- A – Very secure and could possibly move up to the next level
- B – Secure in achieving this level
- C- Less secure and may drop to the level below.

**Letters – BTEC subjects**

BTEC subjects are graded Distinction star to Level 1 Pass. A conversion of the BTEC to the GCSE grading system can be seen below. Please note that some BTEC grades sit between two GCSE grades.

Level 2	
BTEC Grade	GCSE Grade Equivalent
Distinction*	8.5
Distinction	7
Merit	5.5
Pass	4

Level 1	
BTEC Grade	GCSE Grade Equivalent
Distinction	3
Merit	2
Pass	1.25

On the data track for BTEC subjects you will see a number next to the letter. The number represents the confidence that we have in the student achieving that grade.

- 1 – Very secure and could possibly move up to the next grade
- 2 – Secure in achieving this grade
- 3 - Less secure and may drop to the grade below.