

Reward your learners with a qualification from OCR Asset Languages in Bengali

Who is using Asset Bengali assessments?

Over 2000 Asset Languages Bengali qualifications have been taken by learners. The number of centres entering candidates for Bengali qualifications has risen year on year. These centres include Primary, Middle and Secondary schools, independent schools and Adult Education centres.

Entries have remained steady over the last three years for Breakthrough, and are rising steadily at Preliminary stage. Intermediate has seen a dramatic rise in popularity over the last two years.

What is available in Bengali?

- Externally assessed qualifications are available in all skills at Breakthrough, Preliminary and Intermediate stages.
- Teacher Assessment Packs are available at Breakthrough stage.
- Standard Bengali is used for all target languages texts.

To find the Bengali language specifications for Breakthrough, Preliminary and Intermediate go to www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/type/asset/languages/bengali/index.html

To view the sample papers for Bengali Breakthrough, Preliminary and Intermediate go to www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/type/asset/languages/bengali/documents

Are the qualifications recognised?

- ▶ External assessments are accredited by the main regulatory authorities and lead to a nationally recognised OCR qualification.
- ▶ Preliminary and Intermediate external assessments contribute towards the achievement and attainment points of the school.

Supporting community languages

Each individual skill – listening, speaking, reading and writing – forms a separate qualification.

All instructions, questions and answers are in English, so you don't have to read or write the language to take a listening or speaking test.

External assessments run 4 times a year, in November, March, May and June, allowing candidates to be entered when they are ready.

"We need a flexible assessment scheme like Asset as our pupils learning Bengali have a great variety of ability levels. Many entering the school in Year 7 may speak Bengali at home but may not be so confident writing it. We do all we can to push languages here and I think Asset helps to give pupils confidence to carry on with languages into Year 10."

Beverley Blackham
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For more information please contact the OCR Customer Contact Centre on 01223 553998 or visit www.assetlanguages.org.uk

What is Asset Languages?

OCR Asset Languages is a unique assessment scheme to support language teaching from primary to secondary and through to adult education. Launched in 2005, Asset Languages was a key element of the National Languages Strategy and provides accreditation for the Languages Ladder. Asset Languages is a main alternative language qualification.