



Updated Advanced Innovation Challenge guidelines, April 2012

These updated guidelines are in response to issues raised by examiners and centres.

General

- This examination is to be held under normal examination conditions, as stipulated in the JCQ handbook.
- The answer book is the only paper the candidates should need. Extra paper, other than JCQ examination paper, will not be marked.
- Candidates are not allowed to talk or listen to MP3s, etc.
- The evaluation in box 18 is to be carried out by the student individually – this is not an occasion for peer review.
- Candidates who have started session 2 cannot return to work on session 1.
- Computers are allowed, but the internet **must be disconnected**.

Candidates may find that using Pro/DESKTOP in this environment may not be very useful as it is far more time-consuming than hand sketching and **candidates risk losing marks**.

The job bag

The job bag is for inspirational materials/items which might aid candidates when coming up with ideas for their design.

Please remember that candidates have limited time to access and use the job bag; therefore, whole books or large quantities of materials are not appropriate.

Photocopied pages of books and printouts of webpages with material lists, swatches, iconic design etc. are all allowed.

Materials brought into the examination which might aid candidates when sitting the F521/02 paper must not be attached to the F521/01 answer paper. This paper is handed out to candidates in the F521/02 session and evidence of materials from the job bag being attached to the answer booklet will be treated as malpractice.

The answer book from sessions 1 and 2 must be retained by the centre in a secure location until it is issued again for session 3, the Reflection Test.

Candidates may not take the job bag or their model into the Reflection Test examination.

Timings

There are two three-hour sessions for F521/01. The suggested timings within these can be adjusted by centres to suit their own or their candidates' needs.

You will need to allow a break between the two three-hour sessions; breaks need not be supervised.

It is also advisable to have a 15-minute break during each three-hour session. This does not need to be supervised in the same way as an examination, but we advise centre to remind candidates of their responsibilities not to exchange ideas or use the internet.

Candidates needing extra time are advised to take that time at the end of each three-hour session.

Help from staff

The teacher/invigilator reads the instructions and will not be able to give any help other than to aid safety. A technician can also be used and may be helpful when taking photographs. Technicians or teachers can cut materials to a manageable size, but must not cut out shapes or give any other help.

Large centres

Some centres with large numbers of students may not be able to accommodate all candidates in their workshop(s).

If this is the case, you may be able to use an alternative larger venue such as the school hall, as this is a modelling exercise and only basic modelling materials are required. You may also use, if available, an adjoining work room and/or an art room or graphics suite.