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## English GSCE exams

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Dear Jonathan.Thomas

I would like to express my frustration and concern regarding the English GSCE exams that my college (Bradford College) get from EDUCAS for I feel that there is definitely room for improvement.

As someone who is hardworking and has practiced both English past papers, I am definitely concerned about your entire system for I feel that some of it is all a game of luck. What do I mean exactly?

Firstly, I have been told by staff that you tend to change the mark scheme for the exams overtime. I feel that there really isn't any consistency that there should be which I find to be incredibly worrying.

Secondly, I would like to point out that for the last question of component 1 we are told to write a story about one of the following titles or topics. And much like English component 2 in the final question we are meant to write a speech or article on the following subject. One of my problems is that you don't give us the freedom to come up with our own ideas but instead have to focus on using one of the following topics. I feel that in both papers you should allow us the freedom to come with our own story, speech or article and still get the marks that we deserve instead of losing marks for not following one of the following topics. Plus, I feel that it is all a game of luck for their GSCE papers change and the option for the story will change. I have got an idea which is that you can still have the option by using one of the following titles for the story, speech or article for students who are doing their exams and don't know how to come up with a story and also still be able to give us the freedom to come up with our own. I feel that personally by you demanding the person to use one of the following topics your are decreasing their chances of passing their English exams.

I hope that you can take my brutally honest criticism with a grain of salt and use that as feedback for you to improve for I seriously believe that there is definitely room for improvement.

Yours sincerely,  
From Ahmed Raza