

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **What is PLSC?**

PLSC stands for Primary and Lower Secondary Curriculum, and these are achievement tests developed by Pearson in English, Mathematics and Science. They are intended for higher Primary (year 6) and Lower Secondary (Year 9).

### **How do I apply and what is the selection procedure?**

To apply please visit [www.edexcel.com/aarecruitment](http://www.edexcel.com/aarecruitment) and complete an online application form by selecting the subject and level you are interested in. References will be requested upon submission of the form. Once references are received, your form will then be assessed to ensure that you hold the required qualifications and experience. If you are then selected to be invited to attend an interview, we will contact you with further details in due course. You will be informed of the interview outcome by email.

### **Can I specify which subject area I would like write/review for?**

Yes. We need Lead PLSC Examiners and Chairs for the following subjects/levels:

1. Higher Primary English (Year 6)
2. Lower Secondary English (Year 9)
3. Higher Primary Mathematics (Year 6)
4. Lower Secondary Mathematics (Year 9)
5. Higher Primary Science (Year 6)
6. Lower Secondary (Year 9)

You can apply for one of these subject areas, provided you have relevant experience. Please specify the area(s) in your application form.

### **I have already worked with Edexcel on a contract basis. Do I need to reapply?**

Yes. This is a brand new role within a new team, so all applications will need to be new.

### **Can I apply for more than one area?**

You have three subject options within each role; these will be considered if you have relevant subject and level experience.

### **Can I apply for more than one role?**

Yes you can apply for more than one role, however you will need to complete a separate application for each role i.e. Chair of Examiners of Lead Examiner.

### **I am currently studying for a PGCE, am I eligible to be an AA?**

We are happy to accept applications from PGCE students who are nearing their course completion date. However if you are just starting your teacher training, you can register your interest [here](#). We will contact you with details of how to apply when you are nearer your course completion date.

### **How can I check on the progress of my application?**

You can check on the status of your application at any time by logging into your Gateway account. Go to [www.edexcelgateway.com](http://www.edexcelgateway.com), where you have the option to resume incomplete applications, and review any applications previously submitted.

### **When would I need to be available?**

We would need successful applicants to be available from early September 2011.

### **When can I expect to hear about whether or not I've been successful in my application?**

You will be informed of the outcome of your application by the end of August 2011.

### **How do I find out about which dates I need to make available?**

Once you have been recruited successfully, we will advise you of dates that need to be made available. Dates will be assigned as soon as possible, so you can prioritise them in your diary.

### **Where does the training take place?**

Training events will be either online or face to face. Online events can be run from your own home, provided you have sufficient internet access. If you do not have internet access, you can deliver the online training from one of Pearson's London offices.

Face to face events will take place at individual schools or at training venues (such as Pearson's London offices).

### **How much will I get paid?**

Attendance at meetings will be paid at £130 per day.

### **If I need more information who should I contact?**

Please call the AA Helpdesk for enquiries on 0800 169 9202.