



Clonturk Community College

Classroom-Based Assessments



Classroom-Based Assessments (CBAs) are a key part of the Junior Cycle for second- and third-year students. They are completed during regular class time and give students the chance to show their learning in a more practical and engaging way. Unlike traditional written exams, CBAs can involve **projects, presentations, or other creative tasks**, depending on the subject. While **CBAs do not count towards the final exam grades**, the results are recorded on each student's **Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement (JCPA)**, which is given after the Junior Certificate results. This profile helps give a broader picture of a student's learning, skills, and progress throughout Junior Cycle.

CBA 1

CBA 1 takes place during **second year** and is the first of the two Classroom-Based Assessments. It allows students to explore a topic in more depth and show what they've learned through different formats, such as a written report, an artwork, a presentation, or another task suited to the subject. The focus is on encouraging creativity, critical thinking, and communication skills. It's designed to be a positive and supportive experience, helping students grow in confidence and take ownership of their learning.

CBA 2

CBA 2 is done in **third year** and builds on the skills and experience gained during CBA 1. Like the first assessment, it is carried out during class time and marked by the teacher. Each subject has its own format for CBA 2, which may be different from CBA 1, depending on what best suits the content and learning goals. While it also doesn't count towards the student's final grade, the result of CBA 2 is included in the Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement alongside CBA 1, giving a fuller picture of the student's efforts and progress across the three years.



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SUBJECT	CBA 1	CBA 2
English	✓	
Gaeilge	✓	✓
Math	✓	
Geography	✓	
History	✓	
Science	✓	
Visual Art	✓	✓
Wood Technology	✓	✓
Applied Technology	✓	✓
Graphics	✓	✓

*Both CBAs must be completed in Gaeilge, Visual Art, Wood Technology, Graphics

*Subject to policy change 2025-2026



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SUBJECT	CBA 1	CBA 2
Home Economics		✓
Spanish	✓	
French	✓	
German	✓	
CSPE	✓	
SPHE	✓	
PE	✓	
Digital Media Literacy	✓	
Music	✓	✓
Business	✓	
Classics	✓	

*CSPE, SPHE, Digital Media Literacy are all short courses that require 1 CBA

*CBA 1 in CSPE can be completed in either 2nd or 3rd year and will be completed in 3rd year in 2025/2026

*CBA 2 is required for Home Ec

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