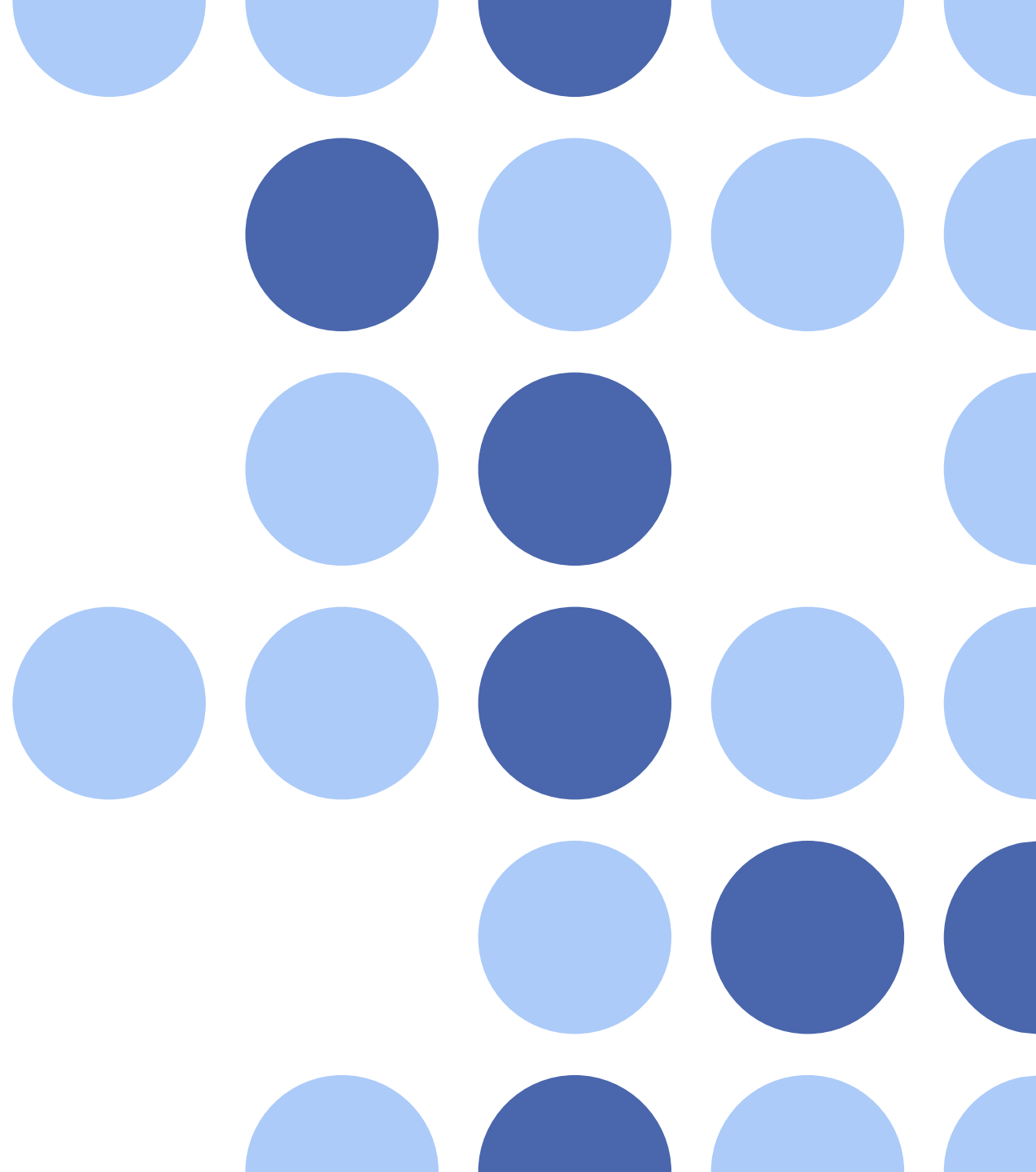


# Year 9 Options

What are Vocational  
courses?

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# Some of your questions

Can you do a GCSE in a similar subject?

Are there exams?

What is the difference between GCSE and vocational?

Is it less relevant?



# Vocational Courses

- Vocational courses are an alternative qualification that is offered at Key Stage 4 (options)
- They have been around for many, many years
- You can get different types of vocational courses across the country for example:

BTECs

C-Nats  
(Cambridge  
Nationals)

Level 1/2  
Vocational  
Award

- They combine practical learning with subject and theory content.
- They are available from entry level through to professional qualifications at level 7 (equivalent to postgraduate study).

What is the difference between GCSE and vocational?

# Vocational Courses

- Focus on the practical element of the subject
- Develop your skills

## Are there exams?

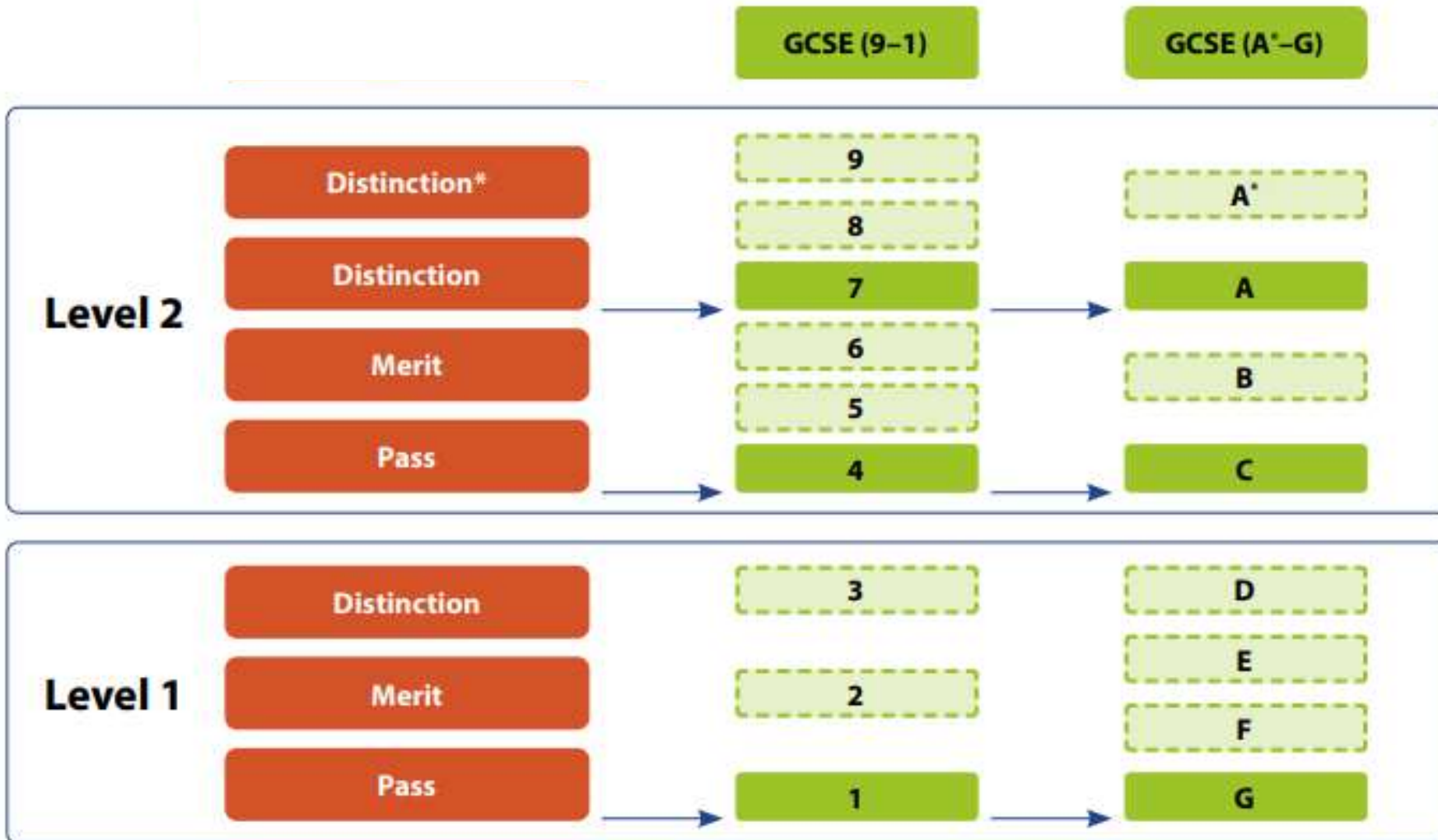
- Controlled Assessment (coursework) usually has a higher percentage towards your final grade e.g.
  - 60% coursework 40% exam → Final Grade

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# What about the grades?

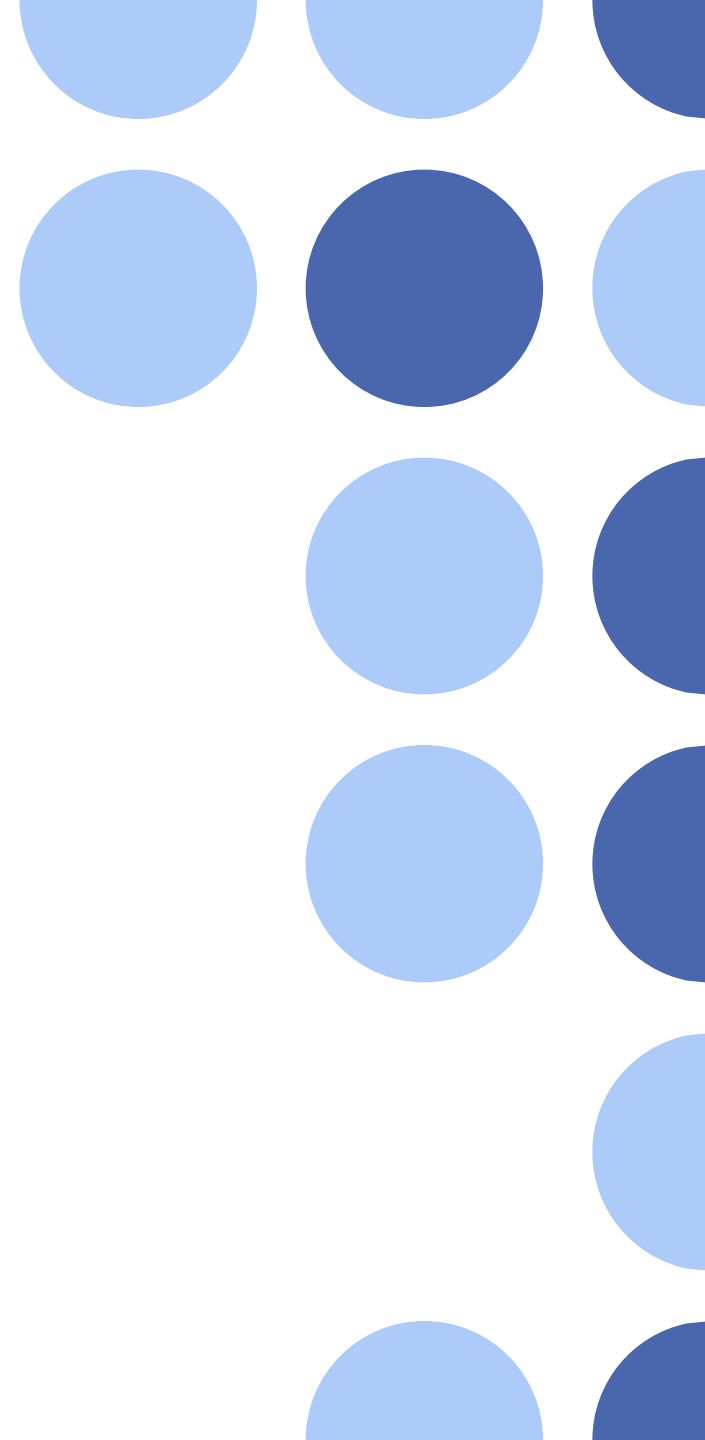
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# Who can take a vocational course?

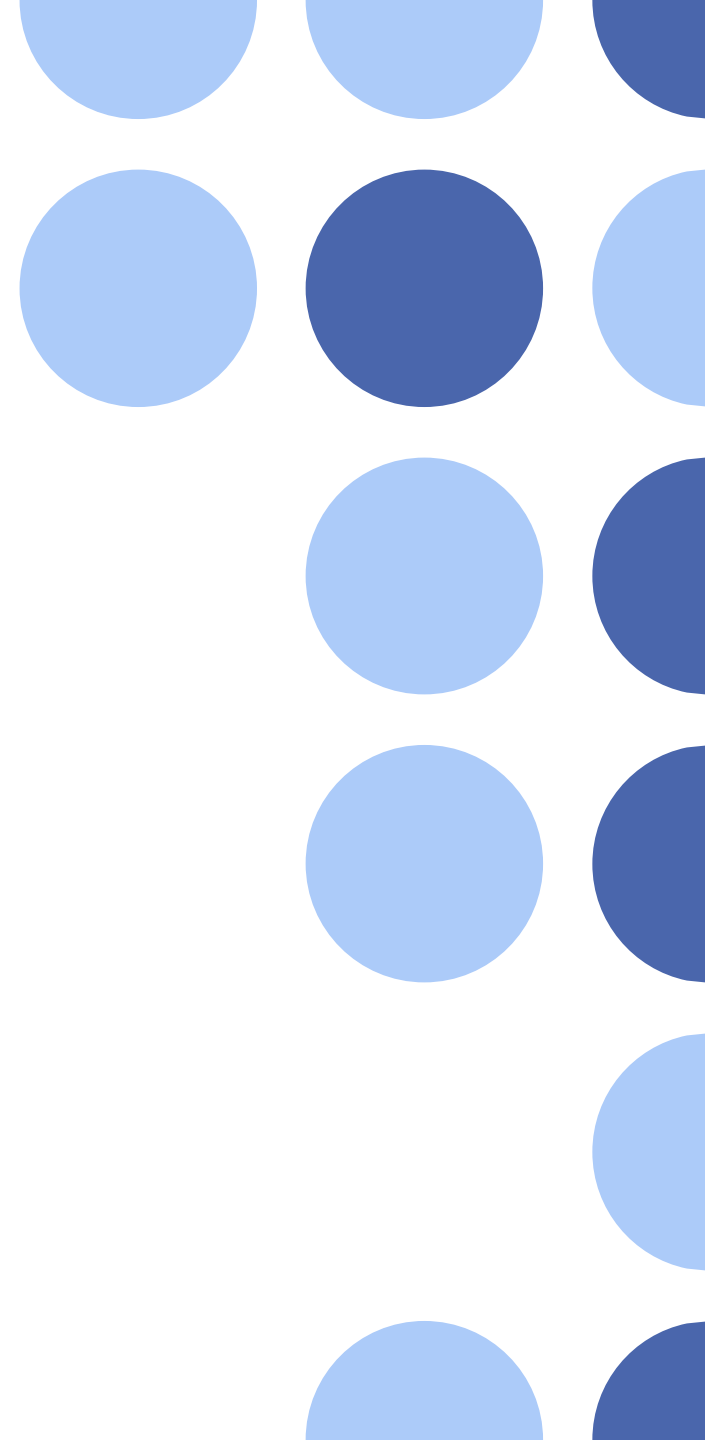


# Who can take a vocational course?



# Is it relevant?

- Yes !!!
  - They are based around the industry that it specialises in
  - Learning practical skills alongside theory
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# At the Emmbrook

- Creative Media Production
- Hospitality and Catering
- Marketing and Enterprise
- Health and Social Care

Is it for me?

Consider - Do

I:

Have a specific career in mind?

Like the emphasis on coursework and less exam pressure?

Enjoy learning 'hands on'  
Think it could be a good 4<sup>th</sup> option?

# How will it affect my other choices?

- GCSE Media Studies OR Creative Media Production BTEC
  - GCSE Business or Marketing and Enterprise C-NAT
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Can you do a GCSE in a similar subject?