

# NATIONALS IN A NUTSHELL

## The National Parent Forum of Scotland National 5 Summary

This course is suitable for Gàidhlig fluent speakers and learners who have experienced Gaelic medium education.

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# Gàidhlig

LANGUAGES

## What skills will my child develop?

- Reading, listening, talking and writing in Gàidhlig, appropriate to purpose and audience
- Understanding, analysing and evaluating detailed texts in different contexts
- Creating and producing detailed texts in a range of contexts, both familiar and unfamiliar
- Plan, research, integrate and apply straightforward language skills
- Using knowledge of language
- The ability to understand more complex ideas and information presented orally and in writing
- The ability to communicate ideas and information orally and in writing with technical accuracy
- Critical literacy skills
- Personal, interpersonal and team-working skills
- Knowledge of Gàidhlig cultural heritage and the cultural heritage of others

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## WHAT WILL MY CHILD EXPERIENCE DURING THE COURSE?

- Active and independent learning through self and peer evaluations, reflecting on learning, setting targets, evaluating progress, making independent decisions, using reading schemes, websites, web-based learning tools
- A blend of classroom approaches in a strong Gàidhlig medium environment using spoken and written Gàidhlig from a range of modern settings and from relevant Gàidhlig literature e.g. radio, online; working in pairs or in groups; sharing learning through group and class discussion; Gàidhlig song
- Collaborative learning: good links with Gàidhlig organisations and the wider Gàidhlig community are essential, using Gàidhlig at all times
- Space for personalisation and choice: learners will be able to select their topic, with support from their teacher, for their performance
- Applying learning
- Embedding literacy and numeracy skills: researching and presenting information; evaluating; discussing; listening; talking; ICT skills.

## ASSESSMENT

- The course will be assessed through two question papers (exams), an assignment and a performance activity, which will be graded A to D.
- The question papers make up over half of the total assessment marks: Reading and Literature (50 marks) and Listening (20 marks). For the Reading and Literature question papers, learners answer questions on a previously unseen Gàidhlig text and write an essay on a text they have studied in class. For the Listening question paper, learners answer questions on a previously unheard spoken Gàidhlig text.
- The assignment (20 marks) requires learners to produce a creative or discursive text in Gàidhlig.
- For the performance (30 marks), learners have a conversation in Gàidhlig on their chosen topic
- The question papers and assignment are marked externally by SQA. The performance is marked internally by the teacher and quality assured by SQA..

National 5 progresses onto Higher Gàidhlig.

For more detailed course information:

SQA: Gàidhlig National 5: [www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/47412.html](http://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/47412.html)

Education Scotland: <https://education.gov.scot/nationalqualifications>

Curriculum for Excellence Key Terms and Features Factfile:

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone/Documents/CfEFactfileOverview.pdf>



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