

# LEAVING CERTIFICATE SUBJECT CHOICE

## Which 3 subjects will I choose?

### Things to consider before you decide!

It's important that you choose your subjects carefully as this could affect what you do in the future.

If you are planning on going to College, the subjects that you choose now (and even the level e.g. higher/ordinary level) could have an impact later on.

College course and entry requirements that are not checked by students can have serious consequences.

The onus is on you, the student, to check the requirements for each of the courses in which you have an interest/think you might have an interest. To research this, you should go to the [Minimum Subject module in the Qualifax](http://www.qualifax.ie) website ([www.qualifax.ie](http://www.qualifax.ie)).

This module will enable you to see the consequences of taking or not taking any particular subject for the Leaving Certificate.

Some subjects are specifically required for particular careers/college courses (see information sheet on this)

You might already know which subjects you enjoy or have some career ideas. Don't worry if you don't know what you want to do in the future. Just remember to consider all the facts and ask for help if you need it.

### Who - can help you?

-Guidance Counsellor

-Teachers.

-Students who are a year ahead of you can give very helpful insights into what it is really like to study any particular subject.

**Where - you can find information?**

[www.qualifax.ie](http://www.qualifax.ie)

[www.careersportal.ie](http://www.careersportal.ie)

[www.careerdirections.ie](http://www.careerdirections.ie)

[www.cao.ie](http://www.cao.ie)

***The Guidance section of the school's website has information on the Leaving Certificate Subjects and Subject Choice***

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***Points to remember when choosing a***

***Leaving Certificate Subject:***

<b>Do</b>	<b>Don't</b>
Choose subjects you enjoy	Choose a subject because your friend is taking it
Choose subjects you are good at	Choose a subject just because you like or dislike the teacher
Choose subjects you need for your chosen career	Choose a subject because you think it will be easy
Keep your options open for the future by making a balanced choice now	Choose a new subject without finding out more about it
Talk to your Guidance Counsellor and your teachers	Make a decision at the last minute without thinking about it
Talk to your parents or guardians	But don't panic

