

What will I study?	In Applied Science you will study a mixture of biology, chemistry and physics. This will involve assignments based around experimental and research work in addition to examined units. You will be studying the Pearson Level 3 AAQ BTEC National in Applied Science (extended certificate) specification (units 1-5), which can be found here: https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/btec-aaqs/applied-science/2025/specification-and-sample-assessments/btec-national-in-applied-science-specification.pdf
Who teaches this course?	You will be taught by our team of experienced specialist biology, chemistry and physics teachers.
What resources or equipment will I need?	You will be provided with information booklets and electronic resources. To each lesson you will need to bring: ▪ a pen ▪ a pencil ▪ lined paper ▪ a ruler ▪ highlighters ▪ a scientific calculator ▪ a folder to keep your notes and resources organised A curious mind!
Reading List	<u>Books (optional)</u> Revision guide: Pearson Revise Level 3 AAQ BTEC National in Applied Science Complete Revision and Practice, ISBN 9781292759753 Textbook: Level 3 AAQ BTEC National in Applied Science Extended Certificate Student Book, ISBN 9781292754857
How can I extend my learning?	When you start the course, your first topics will be about the following content: • Structure and function of cells and tissue (in biology) • Atoms and electronic structure (in chemistry) • Waves and optical fibres (in physics)

	To prepare for this complete some advanced learning on these three topics using the guidance in the specification linked above.
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Induction Activity: To be completed and brought to your first lesson

Resources needed to complete the activity:	Internet access and attached worksheet
Estimated time to complete the activity:	2-3 hours

Task 1:

Complete the two attached worksheets about atomic structure.

Task 2:

Draw diagrams of plant and animal cells and label each of them using all the structures in the table below in task 3.

Task 3:

Use this table, or draw your own, to briefly describe the structure and function of each organelle found in plant or animal cells. (The first organelle has been completed for you as an example).

Organelle	Structure	Function
Cell surface membrane	It consists mainly of a phospholipid bilayer containing proteins. It also has cholesterol, glycoproteins and glycolipids	Partially permeable to control entry and exit of substances. Glycoproteins and glycolipids are involved in cell recognition and communication and cholesterol controls the stability of the membrane
Nucleus		
Mitochondria		
Chloroplast (plant)		

Golgi apparatus		
Golgi vesicles		
Lysosomes		
Ribosomes		
Rough Endoplasmic Reticulum		
Smooth Endoplasmic Reticulum		
Cell Wall		
Cell Vacuole		