

Access to Scripts — trial project: Guidance

Introduction

This trial project is looking at the possibility of enabling access to marked scripts (question papers). The main purpose of the trial is to test how the service might work, gather information on how useful it would be for you, and use the feedback to inform how we might develop the service.

The service will be available to those schools taking part in the trial via SQA Connect from 8 August 2023. This guide will help you navigate the system and provide you with contact details if you need support or have feedback that you want to give us directly.

While we fully anticipate you sharing scripts with the relevant subject teachers and individual candidates, we ask that you limit this to only those in your school, and refrain from posting any information or photos relating to the scripts on social media channels.

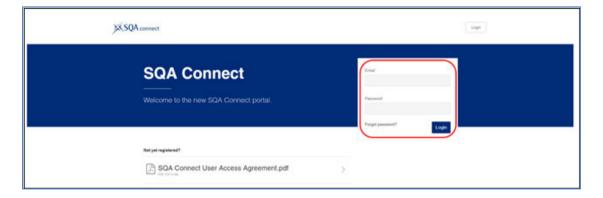
Key dates

Activity	Dates
Opening of the Access to Scripts service within SQA Connect	10.00 am on 8 August 2023
Closure of the Access to Scripts service within SQA Connect	5.30 pm on 1 September 2023
Feedback survey completion	8 September 2023
Teams meeting for feedback session	September/October 2023 – date to be confirmed

System user guide

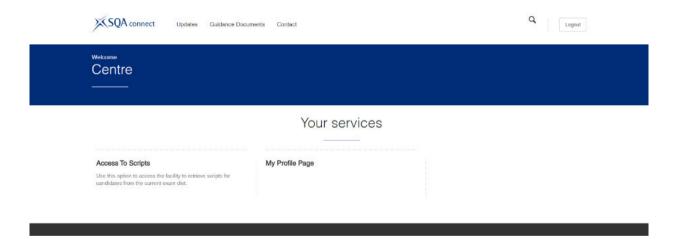
Step 1: Log in to SQA Connect

Follow this link: and log in to your SQA Connect account. If you have any problems accessing your account, please email



Step 2: Accessing the Access to Scripts service

Click on the 'Access to Scripts' tile, in the 'Your Services' section (this is the screen you should see immediately after logging in).



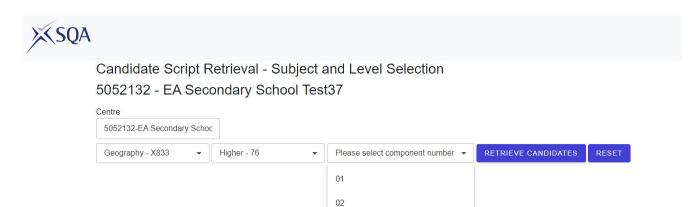
Step 3: Viewing subject and candidate lists

The next screen will provide you with three options:

- 1. Please select a subject. This will be Media (X848) and/or Geography (X833).
- 2. Please select a level. For example, National 5 75, or Higher 76.
- 3. Please select a component number. Media will only show component 01, as it only has one question paper. Geography will show 01 and 02 as there are two question papers.

Each component question paper will be downloaded separately for each candidate.

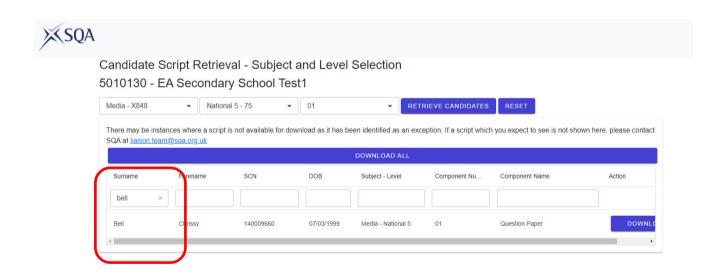
Once all selections have been made, you can click 'Retrieve Candidates'.



Up to five candidates will appear on a page. Subsequent candidates can be viewed by selecting the following page(s) using the button at the bottom left of the screen.

Step 4: Filter options

To search for a specific candidate, you can use the 'sort' function or typable boxes at the top of the columns titled: Surname, Forename, SCN, DOB, Subject – Level, Component and Component Name. An image of the filter options can be seen below.

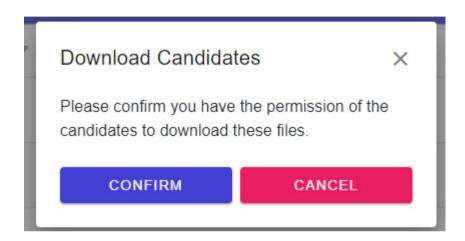


Step 5: Downloading scripts

The service will enable you to download scripts for individual candidates or your full cohort for each subject.

You will be asked to confirm that you have the candidate's permission to download these files.

Please only select 'Confirm' if you have permission from the candidate. Otherwise, choose 'Cancel'.



The file will automatically start to download after you confirm permission.

This will be available as a PDF file and so can be saved and printed as required.

Next steps

The service will open on 8 August 2023 and close on 1 September 2023. During this time, we ask that you gather feedback on the value of having access to scripts. This includes feedback from class teachers and candidates as well as their parents/carers if appropriate. We will then collate it following an MS Teams workshop and questionnaire. We will use this information to explore how we may extend the service across all exam-based subjects and make it available to all centres delivering National Qualifications.

Get in touch

If you have any questions or need help with the system, please email us at and a member of the team will call you back.

Frequently asked questions

Q1 How do I give SQA Connect access to other members of staff at my centre?

As an Administrator for your centre's account, you are responsible for creating accounts for any additional users that require access to Connect.

You can create new user accounts by following the steps below. You can also find these instructions in full in the **Account Management Guide** in the Users Guides section at top of the Connect page.

- 1. Select Maintain Centre Accounts
- Create Centre User
- 3. Add User Details and select services and level required
- 4. Once details have been completed, select Create

Q2 I have forgotten my SQA Connect password

You can reset your password at the 'Forgot password?' link on the SQA Connect homepage. The link is valid for 30 minutes, so please click on it as soon as you receive it. Once you click on the link, it will ask for your username/email. This is **case sensitive** (and should be lower case). It will also ask for your centre number.

Your new password should contain at least 10 characters including the following:

- ♦ A lower case character
- An upper case character
- ♦ A non-alphabetical character, eg!, ? but not :,\, /, £, \$, %
- ♦ A number (ie SQAConnect20!)

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Q3	Can I access the s	ervice after the closing	ig date?	
The	service will close for	all trial users on 1 Septe	ember 2023. If you feel you would like to use t	he
servi	ce after this date, ple	ease email	and a member of the team will ca	ll you
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If you have any queries regarding SQA Connect, please contact our Customer Service team by

Q4 One (or more) of my candidates is not listed within the 'Candidate Script Retrieval' screen.

Where you expect a candidate to be listed and they are not, please check that the candidate has been entered for the correct course/level. If a candidate is withdrawn from a course, did not take the exam, or the script has been identified as having a sensitive nature, it will not appear on the candidate script retrieval screen. If you have queries about candidates, please email and a member of the team will call you back.

Q5	I have difficulty viewing SQA Connect / I cannot see the 'Access to Scripts' tile on th		
	Services page of SQA Connect.		

If you do not see this option, please email and a member of the team will contact you.