

## UNIT 1 EVALUATION EXEMPLAR B

Centre No:

Candidate No:

Candidate Name:

Local Print Article: 400-word evaluation of process and outcome

Article: Shared Education unites local youths

This article went through many changes and its final product is the result of many hours of work. I feel it was a well-produced article with minimal faults due to my analysis of each draft. One challenge, however, was expressing my article in more basic terms than I am accustomed to. Another challenge was how careful I had to be to not cause offence with anything in my article. Obviously we live in a very divided society, even in a relatively merged area like the one this article's local readership lives in and I had to ensure I would not accidentally offend anyone from either side of the divide, I found this was especially necessary when including any quotes from my interview with Jim Allister. The word count was something I struggled with, as did everyone else. Probably the biggest problem I faced was getting interviews, with people not responding which was stressful as I was working to a deadline, refusing questions or sending answers that looked copied and pasted.

I planned thoroughly and produced a final piece to an excellent standard with only one or two errors such as grammar and putting some paragraphs in a different order. I had no problems with formatting as I have experience from previous projects.

My article has many strengths with a positive angle about uniting together via the education system and had many interviews. The only interview I wish I had got was one from a nationalist viewpoint as it would have done even more to balance my article. I managed to get some great images with no editing needed so I was able to choose my image and the subtitle for it just came naturally to me.

My decision to take the focus from the GAA incident and placing it mostly on Shared Education was a good idea as it granted me far more interviews. I also found it easier to gather information as it would've been hard to have gone by one newspaper report and some school policies if I had focused on GAA, when I can choose focusing on Shared Education and receive a plethora of information from school websites etc.

Overall, my article was well written with only a few common errors to take note of. I think it would attract great readership because it does not offend anyone and is attention grabbing.