## Schools Impact Report

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## Boosting Attainment



In the last 2 academic years where exams were held, 97% of students who completed an Up Learn course achieved A\*-A. Even when students didn't complete the course, they still saw significant improvements with Up Learn.

In 2019-2020, the proportion of A\*-A grades obtained nationally was approximately 27%. That same year, 60% of students who only partially completed Up Learn courses achieved A\*-A, 2.2X the national average.

On average, students who partially completed their course saw a **1 grade increase with Up Learn.** 

### What **students** said

97% of students already have, or would recommend Up

87% answered that Up Learn has improved their motivation and engagement **94%** said they would be disappointed if they could no longer use Up Learn

## What **parents** said

95%

Learn to a friend

of parents already have or would recommend Up Learn to another parent

## 88%

of parents would be disappointed if their child could no longer use Up Learn

\*Source: https://www.gov.uk/government/news/guide-to-as-and-a-level-results-for-england-2020#:~:text=Key%20points&text=Overall%20A%20level%20results%20in,with%2025.2%25%20in%202019 "My daughter is motivated to use Up Learn, and she has complete flexibility in where, when and how she uses it... [She] has ownership of her learning and revision which is empowering for her and important in her development"

#### Fiona,

Parent of an Up Learn Economics and Psychology student.

## Supporting **schools**



Over **200** schools use Up Learn to help their students realise their potential and achieve tabletopping academic results. We work with all school types: independent, state, grammar, international and multi-academy trusts. We provide every school with extensive reporting features to help teachers assess the impact that Up Learn has had on their students.

Each school has found their own way of getting the most out of the platform. Some use it as a homework or revision tool, some use it to supplement their lessons, while others might use it to implement flipped learning.

There are multiple routes to success, so we've focused on individual teachers to demonstrate the impact that Up Learn has had in schools.

Our school partners include:



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#### **Ark Schools**

*Up Learn is built into Ark's 16+ curriculum strategy. Every Ark sixth form uses Up Learn to complement its teaching across A Level Maths, Chemistry, Economics, Psychology and Physics.* 

#### Tom Lyons

(Head of Economics at Ark Walworth) gave us an overview of how he uses Up Learn in his class.



"I bought Up Learn licences after hearing what some students had to say about it and having a play around on the website myself. I was impressed by the video tutorials because they explain concepts very clearly.

We mainly use Up Learn as a consolidation and intervention tool. After every assessment, I set my students a target of at least 1 hour a week on Up Learn working on their areas of improvement. Up Learn's weekly reports help me monitor the effort that they're putting in, as I can see the number of hours that each student has completed. They're also useful for engagement with parents – I can say to them: 'look, this is how much work your child is putting in.' I usually follow up with a phone call home or a parent meeting for students who are missing their targets, and reward those who are exceeding them.

I found Up Learn to be **accessible for all students.** It works best not for higher- or lower-achieving students, but for those who will go ahead and meet a target that they are set.

It's also useful for showing students that putting in the effort on the platform equates to good results. **One student went from an E to an A over the course of the year.** It's a powerful tool".

"We have seen improvements in everyone who has engaged"



#### **Nunthorpe Academy**

Nunthorpe Academy uses Up Learn for Physics and Chemistry.

#### Susanne Davison

(Head of Science) told us how Up Learn helped her physics students stay motivated during COVID, and how she has already seen grade improvements after just **3 months.** 



"We bought Up Learn because our Head of Physics was quite poorly with COVID, so the kids' confidence started to really dip. Motivation has never been great with this group, but it is easier to motivate them to engage with this than a lot of other things.

[Up Learn was] our way of COVID-proofing them, and making up for the gaps in their learning. I have set targets for them to meet, such as amount of time spent on the platform, amount of XP gained, percentage of completion and monitored them each week or so.

We have seen improvements in everyone who has engaged. At the moment, we're seeing some grades lift - an A from a previously solid B, a number of E/Us becoming Ds, a B for the first time from a solid C. [Our students] feel like this is working for them and that they can continue to work this way".

"We had very strong results - the strongest we've ever had"



#### **Epsom College**

Epsom College uses Up Learn for Economics.

#### Gordon Watson

(Head of Department) told us how Up Learn has supported his teaching.



"We've tried other e-learning tools in the past but the students didn't like them. Two years ago, we trialled Up Learn with ten students, and **their grades significantly improved, beyond what we were expecting.** The following year, we bought Up Learn licenses for the whole cohort of students, and we had very strong results – **the strongest we've ever had.** 

Students use Up Learn to consolidate what they've learned in class and to support their revision, as they can learn at their own pace and go over things in more detail. Occasionally I use it for flipped learning when it makes sense to use the video lessons to introduce a particular section.

I pin up how much time students have been spending on Up Learn every week. This exposes students who are coasting rather than actually working hard, and gives me a way of knowing how much work each student is doing, which is the most powerful part of the whole thing.

Up Learn is good for some students who are overawed with the subject content, as it can help them feel more comfortable and master the basics. We've been able to use the platform to support students who were drifting and low on confidence.

But **there's something on Up Learn for everybody -** it's been quite valuable in terms of the culture of the year group and cohort".

"It's accessible for students working at all levels - their ability doesn't matter"



#### **Hammersmith Academy**

Hammersmith Academy uses Up Learn for Chemistry, Economics, Maths, Physics and Psychology.

#### Jonathon Lisseman

(Head of Physics) walked us through how he uses Up Learn, and how it has helped with Teacher-Assessed Grades this year.



"I first heard about Up Learn through one of my students who'd been using it. I was impressed when I looked into it. In the past, I've found that students have tended to only revise the topics that they 'like' studying. Up Learn prevents that and encourages them to tackle stuff they need to improve on.

We use Up Learn as a tool to supplement classroom teaching. I set a minimum of three hours on Up Learn every week on consolidating topics that have already been covered, although students can go ahead if they like. I sometimes use it in lesson starters too.

It's accessible for students working at all levels – **their ability doesn't matter.** I find that there's a tipping point once students start gaining more XP and their Up Intelligence score increases.

I also find it helpful having access to student data. I use it for conversations with students about how much effort they're putting in, and I pin up the reports as league tables in the class. Parents also like this tangible evidence of the effort their children are putting in, and they can see the benefits.

[This year] I am including Up Learn modules in our assessment portfolio for grading...overall it will make up about 25% of their final grade. It has been great because it has forced the kids to use it and overall they have smashed it!

They've just sat their first assessment paper and because they are so prepared through Up Learn, **things look extremely good.** 

Up Learn has been an absolute godsend and students have genuinely benefitted massively. They are so ready for Uni or Year 13. I am 100% confident of that".

## Getting Started

Visit <u>www.uplearn.co.uk/teachers</u> to learn more and submit an enquiry. Our team will help you through the process of purchasing Up Learn for your students and relevant colleagues. Once you're onboarded, you will have access to:



#### Account management tools

which provide you with real-time student progress data. You can track the amount of hours students have spent on the course, and find out how many videos and progress quizzes they've completed. You can use this data to identify those in need of intervention, and to supplement conversations with parents and other stakeholders.







#### A dedicated account manager

who will be your personal contact from the moment you make an enquiry and throughout your partnership with Up Learn. They're on hand to help you get set up and assist you with any questions you might have.

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