



CREST Information Sheet – ACCREDITED SCHEME STATUS

What is CREST?

CREST is a widely recognised national award scheme for project work in science, technology, engineering and maths. It is co-ordinated by the British Science Association, a charity which exists to advance the understanding, accessibility and accountability of the sciences and engineering.

CREST Awards are available at Bronze, Silver and Gold levels, depending on the amount and depth of work you carry out. Bronze Awards need around 10 hours of project work.

How does Jaguar Maths in Motion Challenge for Schools fit with CREST Awards?

By actively taking part in the Challenge, students will demonstrate the skills they need to obtain a CREST Bronze Award, for example, working systematically, solving problems creatively, evaluating their successes and relating their project to a real world context. **As a result of the evaluation carried out by us, we can confirm that the Maths in Motion Challenge for Schools has been awarded 'Accredited Scheme' status. This means that students who actively participate in the Challenge are eligible to apply for a CREST Bronze Award.**

It is worth linking the Maths in Motion Challenge with a CREST award for several reasons:

- It is a way of having work completed during the Challenge accredited nationally: a CREST Bronze Award is a significant achievement at any age and does wonders for self-esteem.
- It can form part of a student's Progress File/Record of Achievement and can help with university/job applications later on. It is recognised by UCAS.
- Is validated as 10hrs towards the Children's University Passport to Learning.
- It encourages students to consider careers in Science and Engineering.
- It motivates students of all ages and abilities across several subject areas.
- It provides evidence of problem-solving skills and **motivates students to want to carry on and try for CREST Awards at Silver and Gold levels.**

What do I / we need to do?

You can register your students for the Bronze CREST awards through your local CREST coordinator. To find out who your local coordinator is please visit our website:

www.britishsienceassociation.org/crest

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