

Preparing for Clearing

Activity One: What is Clearing?

Fill in the blanks using the keywords below to complete the statements about UCAS Clearing. This will help you to understand how Clearing works, and when to use it.

1. Clearing is part of the _____ process.
2. You can use Clearing if you don't receive any _____.
3. Clearing is also for students who change their _____ about where or what they want to study.
4. You can find available _____ through the UCAS website.
5. Some students use Clearing if they get _____ results than expected.
6. Your _____ will appear in your UCAS Hub once you're eligible.
7. Universities may ask about your _____ and reasons for interest when you call.
8. Clearing 2025 opens on ____.

Keywords: Clearing number | mind | courses | results | application | better | offers | 5th July

Activity Two: Course & University Research

Clearing is not just for students without University offers - it's also for those who:

- Did better than expected
- Changed their mind about a course or university
- Didn't meet their original conditions

Start thinking about other options you'd be happy to explore. Use the table below to list a few backup or alternative choices:

University	University Course

On Results Day

Activity Three: Your Clearing Call

Imagine you’re calling a university about a course in Clearing. Write some short sentences to support you on the day.

Introduction (Your name, UCAS ID, etc.)

Your grades (or expected grades)

What course you’re interested in, and why?

Questions you might ask (e.g., is accommodation guaranteed?)

Activity Four: Support Network

Write the names (and contact details if applicable) of 3 people you can talk to on Results Day if you need support or advice. These could be loved ones, friends, teachers, mentors, etc!

Name	Phone Number	Email Address

Your Clearing Checklist

Use this on Results Day to stay organised. Tick off the items as you go, and add in other items as necessary!

UCAS Details

- ☐ UCAS ID
- ☐ UCAS login details
- ☐ Clearing number (generated on UCAS once you're eligible)

Academic details

- ☐ Level 2 results with awarding bodies (GCSEs)
- ☐ Level 3 results with awarding bodies (A-Levels/BTECs)
- ☐ Personal statement (*may be useful*)

Research materials

- ☐ List of potential universities and courses
- ☐ Key questions to ask

Practical items

- ☐ Pen and paper
- ☐ Phone (fully charged)
- ☐ Phone charger/Powerbank
- ☐ Computer/laptop

Other

- ☐ Ensure your voicemail is clear
- ☐ Student finance login details (*you may want to apply, or update your details*)
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____

Answers to Activity One

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| 1. Application | 3. Mind | 5. Better | 7. Results |
| 2. Offers | 4. Courses | 6. Clearing number | 8. 5th July |