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Angela Rayner MP, Labour's Shadow Education

Secretary, responding to the publication of GCSE results today, said:

"A heartfelt congratulations to everyone receiving their GCSE results today. We pay tribute to pupils, parents and teachers for the crucial role they have played in achieving these fantastic results.

"As young people enter a new period in their lives, whether in further study or work, it's incredibly important that they receive as much support as possible.

"Unfortunately the Government's unnecessary tinkering with grades have meant that there are many parents and employers who are still struggling to understand what the results in maths and English actually mean.

"Tory failure to properly explain the changes has created confusion that has casted a shadow on a day that should be reserved for celebration and young people considering the next step they will take in their education.

"A Labour Government would restore the Education Maintenance Allowance for young people entering Further Education, as well as providing fit for purpose careers advice and bolstering apprenticeships."