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Welcome to the Sixth Form at King Edward's

We're delighted to extend a warm invitation to all post-16 students considering joining our thriving community.

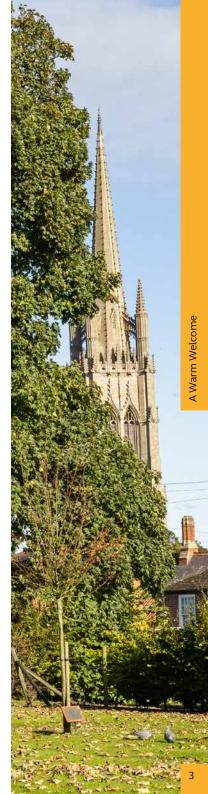
I often say that I have the best job at King Edward's, leading a dedicated, talented team that supports our exceptional students is a true privilege. Whether you're already part of our school or joining us from another local secondary, you'll be made to feel at home from the moment you arrive.

While our school's proud history stretches back to 1551, our focus is firmly on the future. We offer a broad and balanced curriculum designed to prepare students for the demands of the 21st century, both academically and personally.

Alongside strong academic performance, consistently demonstrated by excellent A-Level results, we place great emphasis on personal growth. Our rich programme of extra-curricular activities and leadership opportunities ensures that students leave us not only well-qualified but also well-rounded.

At KEVIGS, our small, friendly Sixth Form offers a supportive environment where ambition is nurtured, and potential is realised. If you're motivated, aspirational, and ready to aim high, we would be proud to support you through the next stage of your educational journey.

Take your time to explore the subjects of interest to you in this prospectus, and if you think that we can help you to either make your final choices or give you guidance as to the most suitable choices for a particular career route or university course, please contact or Sixth Form Team via email.



Good Reasons to choose the Sixth Form

Our track record

We have a strong track record of delivering outstanding results for our Sixth Form students.

Support

The relatively small size of the Sixth Form allows us to support every student who chooses to study with us. We'll get to know you well and as a result we can offer personally tailored support should you need it.

Enrichment

We offer a range of opportunities for you to enrich your Sixth Form experience including the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Combined Cadet Force and joining the student leadership team to influence and implement real change within our school community.

Choice of routes

You can plan your own route through the Sixth Form by choosing from our impressive A-Level options.

Funding

Our personalised bursary programme can help with financial support for travel, meals and academic costs. If you think receipt of a bursary might help you to continue with your studies, come and talk to us.

Pastoral support

We have a recently revamped tutor programme and a large team of dedicated and experienced tutors who will always be there for you.

Working in a professional environment

We have a dedicated Sixth Form centre which includes a café, study spaces and access to computers. There is no uniform, but we do have a dress code to help with preparing you for a career as a professional in your chosen field.

Preparing you to study at university and beyond

Our well established EPQ programme will help you to prepare to study in a world where you're expected to work independently both as a Sixth Former and further into the future.

Work experience

We'll help you to find a work experience placement that will allow you to get a taste of working in your field of choice.

Forward focused in a traditional setting

We are a well-established provider with a strong sense of history and tradition. Our strategic focus on serving both the local and wider communities, will ensure that our young people are fully prepared for the new and exciting industries that are evolving across Lincolnshire.





Subjects

Study Pathways & Entry Requirements



The general entry requirement for an academic pathway (three traditional A-Levels) is:

- A minimum of four grades at 6 or above at GCSE
- A grade 5 or above in GCSE English
- A grade 5 or above in GCSE Mathematics
- A minimum of a grade 6 in GCSE in the subject you wish to study (if this subject was offered at GCSE)



GCSE Results

If, when you get your results, you are close to meeting the entry requirements but didn't quite make it, it's always worth coming to talk to the Sixth Form Team to see if there's anything we can do for you.

Recommendations

Physics

If you choose to study Physics, we strongly recommend that you also study A-Level Mathematics.

Mathematics

For entry to A-Level Mathematics, we would prefer your GCSE grade to be a 7 or above in Mathematics and for A-Level Further Mathematics you need to achieve a grade 8 or above.





Additional Opportunities

Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)

All students joining the Sixth Form will have the option to complete the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) alongside their main course of study of either three A-Levels or the chosen BTEC. The EPQ is a self-directed and self-motivated study based on an area of personal interest. This may be an extension of a subject you are studying or might be related to a different subject that interests you. The EPQ can take the form of an extended essay or an artefact with an academic research rationale.

The EPQ is a fantastic supporting qualification as universities actively look for students who have undertaken the EPQ as it demonstrates independent research skills, an ability to write in an academic format and originality of thought, and development of skills necessary for success at university and

employment. Many students choose to relate their EPQ topic to future studies and/or careers.

The AQA EPQ includes 30 hours of taught skills delivered through the Autumn and Spring term of Yr 12, students then spend 90 hours planning, conducting and writing up their research with the final submission being in the Autumn term of Yr 13, ensuring students have time to focus on their final exam preparation. Each student has a supervisor who supports them through the process. The highest grades in the EPQ provide students with a UCAS points equivalent to an AS level (28 points).

Enrichment, Employment and Personal development Opportunities (EEP)

Our mission has always been to balance academic success with wider personal development, which continues into our Sixth Form through our EEP programme. In addition to the subjects you study, there is an opportunity to engage in a

range of additional EEP activities. You can select from the activities and leadership opportunities below to log 40 hours of EEP each year.

Enrichment and Personal Development

- · DofE Silver award
- CCF award
- · Wednesday PM sports teams
- Student Leadership team (Yr 13 Prefects) - influencing real change for our school community
- Community engagement/ Acts of service
- · Local, national and international trips
- Student mentoring programmes (including training and delivery of mentoring for our younger students in areas such as Literacy and subject specific support)
- A number of online qualifications through the Open University
- University partnership programmes
- Financial literacy

Careers/Employment

- Work experience opportunities offered as either a week-long block or an internship style placement that fits around your normal timetable
- Visits, workshops and seminars with industry experts
- Careers fairs, trips and visits to universities
- Workshops and tutorials on CV writing, interview techniques, professional networking and LinkedIn, and managing your digital footprint

We are open to suggestions from students who would like to add to their EEP programme, so they maximise the usefulness of these hours in preparing them for their next steps in education or employment.



Making Your Choices

Before you make your choices and begin your post-16 studies, it's important for you to discuss your plans with someone who knows about career routes, pathways and qualifications.

As you move to studying fewer subjects with more time allocated to them, it's important for you to stay motivated which is easier to do if you choose subjects that you enjoy.

Think about where you want to be in a few years' time and, if you have a specific degree course in mind, make sure that you check out the entry requirements.

You may well find that in some cases there are some unusual twists and turns on the way. For example, you don't need to study A-Level law as an entry requirement for a law degree.

Some subjects naturally sit well together, for example Physics and Maths, which are both useful if you want a career in engineering. English Language or Literature are also frequently combined with other arts subjects.

Sixth form students often fit into one of three profiles and the advice to each type may need to be slightly different as shown below.

You have a definite career path in mind and already know which degree subjects you plan to apply for in Year 13.

Make sure that you check the entry requirements for a number of universities so that you will have a wide choice when making your UCAS application. Once you have chosen the required subjects, make any additional choices from subjects that you have studied before and excel at or new subjects that capture your interest.

You are flexible about your career pathway but have some fairly secure ideas about where you would like to be at university or beyond.

Carry out some research across a range of degree subjects and make A-Level choices that will allow you to keep your options open. Try to avoid studying subjects that are all very similar as this may restrict your choice of university courses.

You have little idea about what the future holds for you and you don't really know which post-16 courses to choose.

Think about continuing to study subjects that you are good at and that you enjoy. Get some additional careers advice and support which may help you to narrow down the choices you make but don't be afraid to keep your options open by choosing a broad range of A-Levels.

The other rules that apply to making Sixth Form choices include avoiding choosing subjects just so that you can continue to study with your friends and, if you are planning to choose subjects you haven't studied before, do some research so that you can make informed decisions.

The traditional subjects like English, Maths and the Sciences are great as they will give you transferable skills but there's nothing wrong with choosing something new that you haven't studied before.

Facilities & Resources

We have a dedicated sixth form block that students lower down the school do not have access to. This includes a cafeteria with hot food available.

Within the Sixth From block there are also comfortable places for you to study including multiple private study areas with access to desktop computers.













King Edward's 16-19 Bursary

We are always happy to support applications to the bursary schemes that are available locally for students who may be suffering financial hardship. The school was fortunate to recently receive a legacy donation from a former student and teacher some of which will be used to subsidise the costs that you will inevitably incur as a full-time student.

You can apply to the 16-19 bursary fund if you feel you are in need of financial support to stay in full-time education. The bursary payments can help with food costs, transport costs, paying for books and stationery, clothing, specialist equipment or clothing and to meet some of the costs of trips and visits.

Discretionary Bursary

This is awarded depending on each individual student's circumstances. It may be available if your parents/carers are in receipt of benefit payments or if your parent's financial situation may impact on your education. Please see our website for further information.

Vulnerable Bursary

This is worth up to £1200 per academic year. It is available to students who are in Local Authority Care, living independently having left Local Authority Care and for students who are in receipt of some state benefits in their own name, for example, Employment Support Allowance, Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payments.



Outstanding Achievements

Last year we had over 70% of our students, in addition to the 4 below, who also achieved results that we are very proud of and which enabled them to access their first choice university courses. The results are a measure of what academically gifted and hard-working students can achieve at King Edward's Sixth Form.

Jibraeel

Further Maths (A*), Maths (A*), Physics (A*), Chemistry (A*)

Studying Aeronautical Engineering at Imperial College London.

Michael

Biology (A*), Psychology (A*), Physics (A), Chemistry (A)

Studying Veterinary Medicine and Surgery at Harper and Keele Veterinary School.

Sam

Further Maths (A*), Maths (A*), Physics (A*), History (A)

Studying Mathematics at Durham University.

Katie

History (A*), English Literature (A), Fine Art (A)

Studying English Literature with Creative Writing at Newcastle University.

Trips & Activities

Throughout your time here you will have an opportunity to visit many galleries and events both abroad and in the UK.

Previously these have included trips to London, Paris and Canada skiing on the slopes, visiting the Houses of Parliament, The Louvre and Disneyland to name a few.





Mathematics & Computing

Specifications and Assessment

- A-Level Mathematics
 Examination Only
 (Edexcel 9MAo)
- A-Level Further Mathematics
 Examination Only
 (Edexcel gFMo)
- A-Level Computer Science (with Games Development)
 Examination and Coursework (OCR H446)

Overview

Both Mathematics courses include a mix of pure (algebra, trigonometry and calculus) and applied (mechanics and statistics) content. A-Level Mathematics is a requirement for many STEM related university courses.

The Further Mathematics qualification has to be studied with the other Mathematics qualification and this option pairing is designed for the most able, natural mathematicians.

A-Level Computer Science is focused on systems architecture, networking and application development in the C# programming language. The coursework involves video game development using industry standard tools.



Future Careers

- Actuary
- · Data Scientist
- Engineer
- · Investment Banking
- Systems Analyst
- Programmer
- · Games Developer



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Business Studies

Specifications and Assessment

A-Level Business
 Assessed by 3 Examinations
 (OCR H431)

Overview

Business Studies at A-Level encourages students to develop a critical understanding of organisations and their ability to meet society's needs and wants from a range of perspectives whilst generating enterprising and creative approaches to business opportunities, problems and issues.

There are seven key areas of study:

- Business Objectives & Strategic Decisions
- External Influences
 Facing Business
- Marketing Strategy
- Operational Strategy
- · Human Resource
- Accounting & Financial Considerations



Future Careers

- Law
- Commerce
- · Human Resources
- Project Management
- Sales
- · Supply Chain Management
- Insurance

English Language & Literature

Specifications and Assessment

- A-Level English Language
 Two Written Examinations 80%,
 plus a Language Investigation 20%
 (AQA-7702)
- A-Level English Literature
 Two Written Examinations 80%,
 plus Non-Examination
 Assessment 20%
 (AQA A-7712)

Overview

By studying **English Language** you will learn about how we acquire language as a child and have opportunities to develop your own creative writing skills.

In studying **Literature**, you will explore the psychology of characters and the motives of writers, consider the political, social and historical contexts in which texts are written and read, and refine your skills of analysis and debate.



Future Careers

- Television
- Journalism
- Commerce and Finance
- Politics
- Law
- Academics
- Teachers
- Actors
- Writers



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Religious Studies

Religious **Studies**

Specifications and **Assessment**

· OCR Religious Studies Philosophy and Religion (2hrs), Religion and Ethics (2hrs), Developments in Religious Thought (2hrs)

Overview

The Ethics, Philosophy and Religion A-Level will enable you to develop a deeper understanding of answers to key ethical, philosophical and religious questions.

It will cover a range of issues which have been debated throughout history, and which are still relevant today. You will have the opportunity to expand on your knowledge of Christianity from GCSE RS and explore key moral issues within Christianity further. You will also look at a range of key philosophers and ethical theorists.

Using both religion and these theorists, you will then discuss and debate key ethical issues such as euthanasia, business ethics, the conscience and sexual ethics. Religion, Ethics and Philosophy is a sought after subject amongst employers and higher education institutions because it equips students with a wide range of different skills.



Future Careers

- Teacher
- · Civil Service
- · Law
- Journalist
- Social Work
- Human Resources
- Politics
- · Charity Worker
- Medical



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French & **Spanish**

Specifications and **Assessment**

- · A-Level French (AQA 7652)
- · A-Level Spanish (AQA 7692)
- Paper 1 Listening, Reading and Writing 50% (2.5 hours), Paper 2 Writing 20% (2 hours), Speaking 30% (21-23 mins)

Overview

Students explore literature, films, history, politics and cultural studies, providing a richer understanding of the societies where the language is spoken.

We analyse texts and media critically, allowing you to interpret, evaluate different perspectives and problemsolve.

A diverse skill set and broad worldview links seamlessly with many other subjects such as English literature, History, Business Studies, Politics, Psychology, Geography, Science, Mathematics, Art and Music.

An A-Level in a foreign language enhances both linguistic proficiency and valuable transferable skills, preparing students for various academic and career paths.



Future Careers

- Translation and Interpretation
- International Relations
- Business and Marketing
- Media and Journalism
- Human Resources
- Customer Support and Sales
- Research and Academia
- Cultural Consultancy
- Tourism
- Hospitality
- Teaching



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History

Specifications and **Assessment**

 History Russia Exam 40%. Modern Britain Exam 40%, Tudor Rebellions or American West Coursework 20% (AQA 7042)

Overview

In **History**, you will study both Russian and British history, looking at the significance of historical events, the role of individuals in history and the nature of change over time.

In particular you will look at Tsarist and Communist Russia between 1885-1964 and The Making of Modern Britain from 1951-2007.

You will also gain a deeper understanding of the past through political, social, economic and cultural perspectives.

You'll also have the opportunity to take part in a range of trips to Berlin or Auschwitz.



Future Careers

- Law
- Local Government
- · Civil Service
- Heritage
- Human Resources
- Journalism
- Education

Psychology

Specifications and **Assessment**

 A-Level Psychology Three external exams at the end of Year 13 (AQA)

Overview

Psychology is the science of mind and behaviour. This subject explores how behaviour can be explained, the most appropriate methods for investigating behaviour and implications of findings for the real world.

The aim is to go beyond the popular approach to psychology, taking a more academic route towards an understanding of the various theoretical perspectives and research methods available to us.

The topics covered allow the students to develop a contextual understanding of why psychology is so important to study and why it is so relevant in their world.



Future Careers

- · Clinical Psychology
- Educational Psychology
- Public Health Analyst
- Forensic Psychology
- Occupational Pathology
- Counsellor
- Therapist
- · HR Officer/Manager
- Probation Officer
- · Teacher/Lecturer



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Biology, **Chemistry & Physics**

Specifications and **Assessment**

- A-Level Biology (OCR A)
- A-Level Chemistry (OCR B Salters)
- A-Level Physics (AQA)
- Three external exams at the end of Year 13. Internally assessed practical endorsement.

Overview

A-Levels in Science allow students to study and investigate topics studied at GCSE in significantly more depth.

Biology explores the complexities of living organisms and ecosystems.

Chemistry provides an insight into matter, reactions, and the building blocks of life.

Physics develops critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and a deeper understanding of the universe's principles.



Future Careers

- · Biology, Chemistry, Physics
- Medicine
- · Mechanical Engineering
- Dentistry
- Civil Engineering
- Veterinary Science
- Aerospace Engineering
- Pharmacy Architecture
- Chemical Engineering
- Astrophysics
- Zoology
- Forensic Science



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Art & **Photography**

Specifications and Assessment

- · A-Level Fine Art Personal investigation 60%, Externally Set Assignment 40% (AQA 7201)
- A-Level Photography Personal investigation 60%, Externally Set Assignment 40% (AQA 7201)

Overview

In **Fine Art** you will explore diverse media, techniques, and drawing methods, including traditional and contemporary approaches, engage in drawing for various purposes and use diverse materials and scales.

You will investigate art from various cultures and time periods, developing both practical and critical skills, while understanding the balance between process and product.

In **Photography** you will explore a range of photographic media, techniques, and processes, including both traditional and digital methods, investigate historical and contemporary images, from diverse cultures, and respond through practical and critical activities.

You will also develop an understanding of the balance between process and product.



Future Careers

- · Fine Arts and Illustration
- Advertising and Media
- Publishing
- Graphic Design (including CGI and Illustration)
- Fashion
- Applied Arts and Crafts
- Journalism
- Photographer
- Medical Illustrator
- Teaching and Visual Merchandisers



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Media Studies & Music Technology

Specifications and Assessment

- Media Studies
 Examination 2 Papers, 70%,
 Internally Assessed
 Component 30%
 (OCR H409A)
- Music Technology
 Examination 2 Papers, 60%,
 Internally Assessed
 Component 40%
 (Edexcel)

Overview

Media Studies is a contemporary, creative course designed to expand learners' intellectual horizons. It emphasizes critical thinking, global and historical media analysis, media production, and video print and production techniques in preparation for Higher Education and the workplace.

Music offers a deep dive into sound recording, production techniques, and audio technology. You will explore creative sound creation, mixing, and mastering, principles of sound and audio tech, the evolution of recording technologies, from modern digital to early analogue systems giving you both practical and theoretical knowledge.



Future Careers

- Social Media
- Film And Television
- Radio
- Journalism
- Retail Management
- Graphic Design
- Marketing And Advertising
- Teaching
- Professional Musician
- · Recording Artists
- Producer
- · Special Effects



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Law & Criminology

Specifications and Assessment

- Law
 Assessed by three,
 2-hour examinations
 (AQA 7162)
- Criminology
 Examination 50%,
 Internal Assessment 50%
 (WJEC Diploma)

Overview

Studying **Law** will give you an understanding of the rule of law in society and raise your awareness of the nature and rule of the law, law making, rules and principles of criminal law and liability actions for negligence.

Studying **Criminology** will provide the opportunity for you to research and explore the nature of criminal behaviour, control and punishment.

Students will study three units over the two years:

- Unit 1: Changing Awareness of Crime
- Unit 2: Criminology Theories
- Unit 3: Crime Science to Courtroom



Future Careers

- Solicitor
- Barrister
- Legal Executive
- Paralegal
- · Court Clerk
- Police
- Journalism
- · Human Resources Officer
- · Social Work
- Criminal Justice Sector
- Social and Probation Work
- Sociology



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Sociology, Government & Politics

Specifications and Assessment

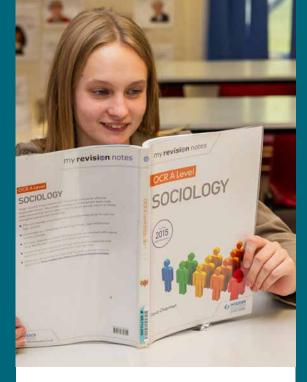
- Sociology
 Assessed by Examination
 (OCR H580)
- Government and Politics
 Assessed through 3 Examinations
 (AQA 7152)

Overview

Studying **Sociology** involves exploring socialisation, culture and identity, social inequalities, diversity, class, gender, ethnicity and age, globalisation, crime and defiance.

Studying **Government & Politics** provides a detailed insight into the rapidly changing world of British and American politics today, including the roles played by key individuals and institutions.

You'll also have the opportunity to take part in the Politics Conference held at the University of Hull as well as visiting the House of Commons.



Future Careers

- Social Work
- · Criminal Justice System
- Housing
- Journalism
- Charities
- Education
- Law
- Local Government
- · The Civil Service

Sports Studies

Specifications and Assessment

A-Level Sports Studies
 Theoretical Content 70%,
 Practical Performance in One
 Sport (Player or Coach) 15%,
 Coursework 15%
 (AQA 7582)

Overview

The **A-Level** course builds on knowledge from GCSE physical education and allows you to develop your passion for sport. It gives you an insight into performance and provides academic challenge through practical links.

Students will delve into various topics including Anatomy and Physiology, Sports Psychology and Sociological Factors.



Future Careers

- Physiotherapy
- Sports Coach
- Personal Trainer
- · Sports Development Officer
- Teacher
- Nutritionist
- · Sports Facilities Manager
- · Sports Psychologist
- Sports Therapy
- Sports Journalism
- Armed Forces
- Sports Analyst



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Accountancy & Economics

Specifications and **Assessment**

- A-Level Accountancy Assessed by two 3 hour papers (50% each) (AQA)
- · Economics A-Level Assessed by 3 Examinations (Edexcel)

Overview

Accounting is the language of business. This course teaches you how to record, present and interpret financial information, as well as how managers use it to make decisions. You will develop strong numerical, analytical and problem-solving skills that are valued by employers and universities alike. It's an excellent foundation for careers in accountancy, finance, business, banking and beyond.

Studying **Economics** provides you with an understanding of current economic issues, problems and institutions, where you will be able to apply concepts and theories to real world situations and analyse the role of the market economy and the role the government plays in these.

Economics is split into four themes. Introduction to markets and market failure, The UK economy performance and policies, Business behaviour and the labour market, A global perspective.



Future Careers

- Accountant
- Data Analyst
- · Charter Accounting
- Auditing
- · Forensic Accounting
- Tax Accounting
- · Mortgage Advisor
- Retail Banking
- Stockbroker
- Business and Management
- Economist
- Financial Analyst



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Drama & **Theatre**

Specifications and Assessment

· A-Level Drama and Theatre Exam 40%, Internally Assessed 60% Two Components (Edexcel)

Overview

In **Drama**, you will study the theories of a theatre practitioner then present a performance in the style of the practitioner. You will explore plays practically, devising and performing published scripts and developing your skills as a performer.

Students will also have the opportunity to visit a live theatre performance over the two years, as well as engaging in a range of opportunities both inside and outside of school, to showcase your work.



Future Careers

- Performer
- Director
- Designer
- Technician
- Playwright
- Administrator
- · Events Organiser



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Geography

Specifications and Assessment

Geography
 Physical Geography Exam 40%,
 Human Geography Exam 40%,
 Geographical Investigation
 Essay 20%
 (AQA 7037)

Overview

Geography helps you to make sense of the world around you and get to grips with some of the big global issues by developing your understanding of the social, economic and physical forces and processes that shape the modern world.

Fieldwork and geographical enquiry are integral, allowing students to apply their learning in real world contexts and develop conceptual understanding through hands-on experiences.

At A level (AQA) we visit Cranedale Field Studies centre for 3 days to conduct a range of both physical and human fieldwork.



Future Careers

- Town Planner
- Environmental Officer
- Surveyor
- Tourism
- Conservation





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