



The Final Exam

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Objectives

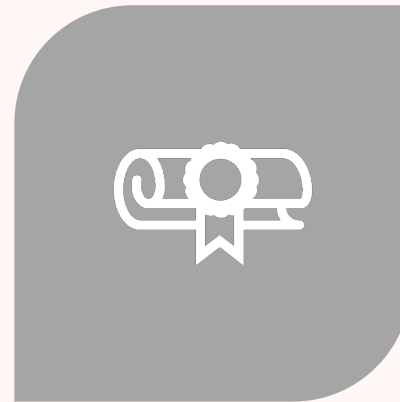
- Explain final RCSEng exam



Diploma in Orthodontic Therapy



APRIL 2026



EXAM IS INDEPENDENT FROM THE
COURSE-SEPARATE FEE AND DIFFERENT
EXAMINERS

Format of RCS Exam

- Written paper
- 1.5 hour paper consisting of EMQ's

- Logbook assessment
- Including a 20 minutes logbook viva

- OSCEs
- Minimum of 13 OSCE stations



Extended Matching Questions (EMQs)



Better than MCQs



Test understanding of the
problem, not isolated recall of
facts



Higher order thinking

MCQ

- What is the term for a tooth that has fused to the bone?
- A. Demineralisation
- B. Hopeless tooth syndrome
- C. Ankylosis
- D. Lymphadenopathy



EMQ 1

- Your student has previously sustained trauma to their front tooth. This tooth is not moving with fixed appliances. What pathological process has happened here?
- A. Demineralisation
- B. Hopeless tooth syndrome
- C. Ankylosis
- D. Lymphadenopathy
- E. Relapse
- F. Loss of vitality
- G. Hypoplasia
- H. Enamel mottling



EMQ 2

- Your patient fails to comply with your advice of using a daily fluoride mouthwash. What is a possible consequence of this?
- A. Demineralisation
- B. Hopeless tooth syndrome
- C. Ankylosis
- D. Lymphadenopathy
- E. Relapse
- F. Loss of vitality
- G. Hypoplasia
- H. Enamel mottling



OSCE

- Objective Structured Clinical Exam
- Circuit of stations testing different clinical skills
- Examiner observes and assess using checklist



Examples of OSCE stations

- Selecting a correct band size on a models
- Communication station
- Dealing with a medical emergency
- Selecting correct instrument for debonding
- Checking twinblock has been correctly made to prescription
- Identify the IOTN score for a case

