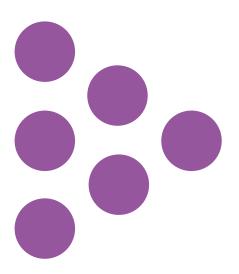


Appendix A

National Reference Test 2021: Performance Across Content Areas

Research into the possible effects of Covid-19 disruption across different areas of the curriculum

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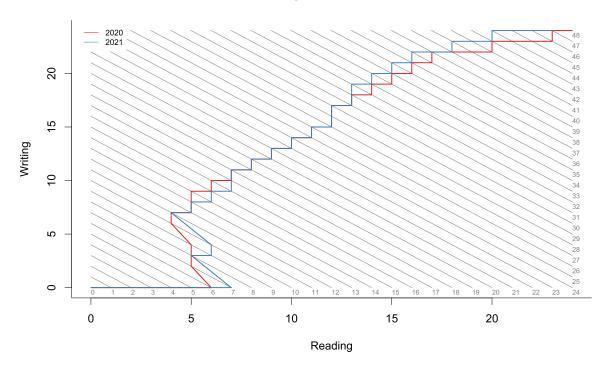


Appendix A: Profile plots for all assessment objectives and subject areas

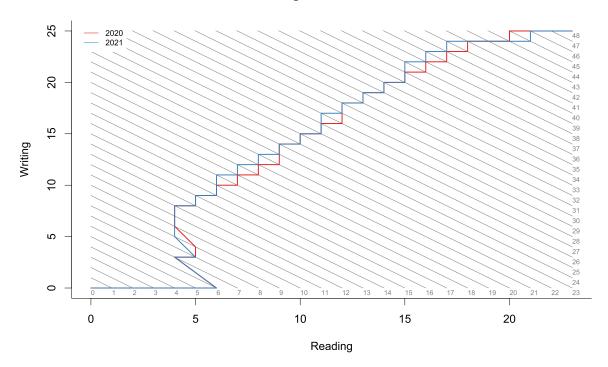
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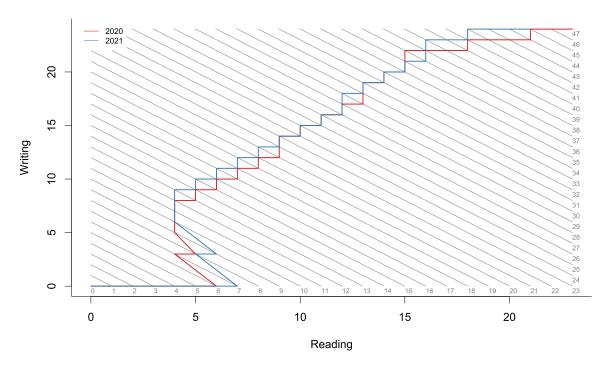
Figure A1 Reading vs writing

Figure A1 shows eight profile plots for booklets 1 to 8 each showing reading versus writing scores. Each plot maps the scores for reading against the scores for writing, showing trends for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a difference in performance between reading and writing in the NRT between 2020 and 2021.

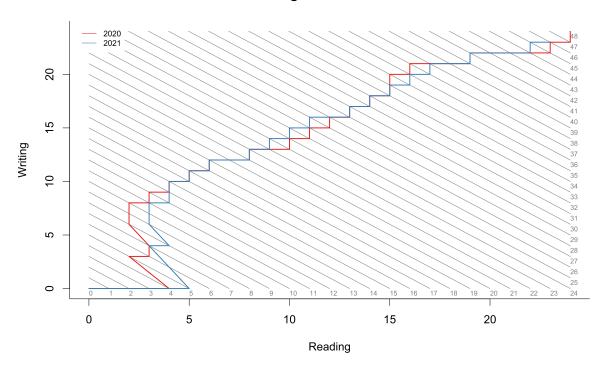


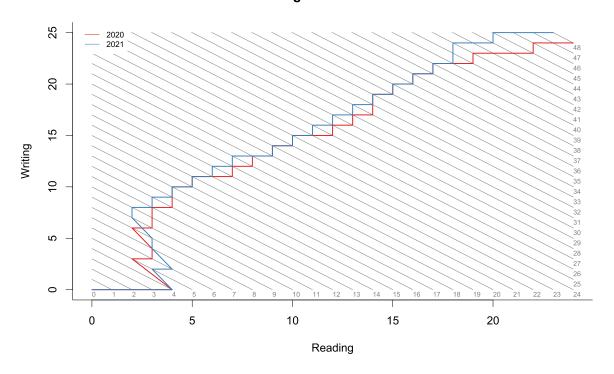




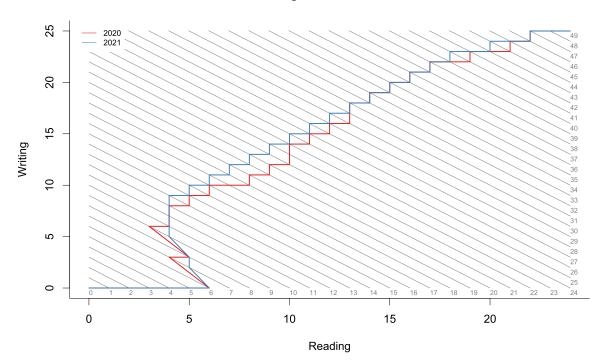


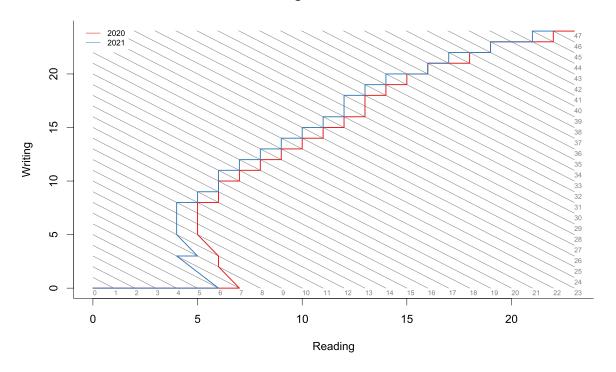














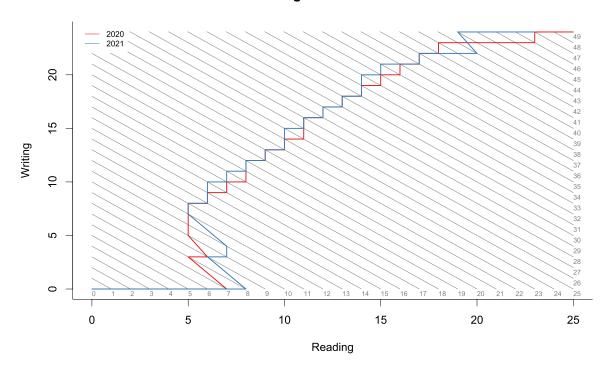
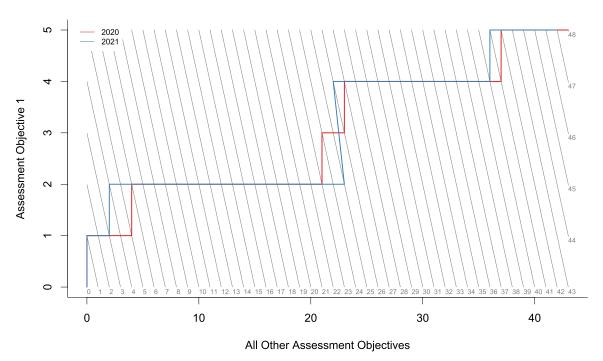




Figure A2 AO1

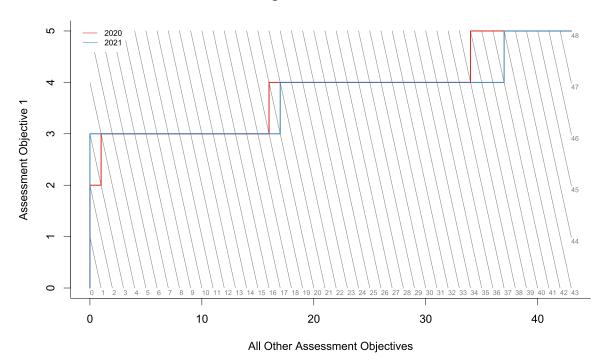
Figure A2 shows profile plots for English Booklets 1 to 8 showing AO1 scores. Each plot maps the scores for AO1 against the other assessment objectives, showing trends for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear change in performance on AO1 in the NRT between 2020 and 2021.



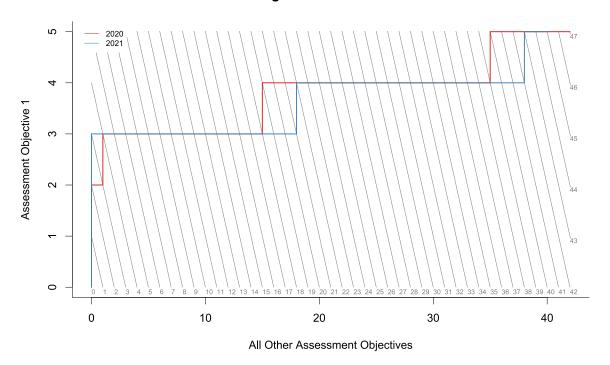




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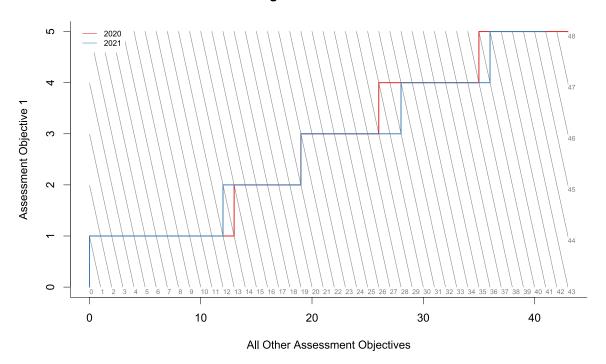


English Booklet 3 - AO1

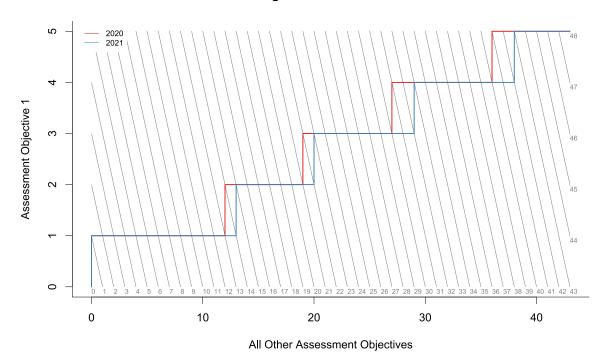




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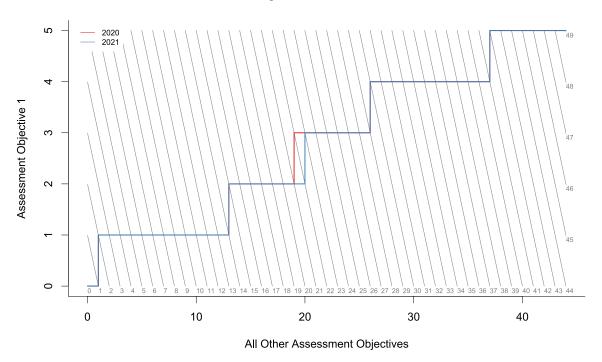


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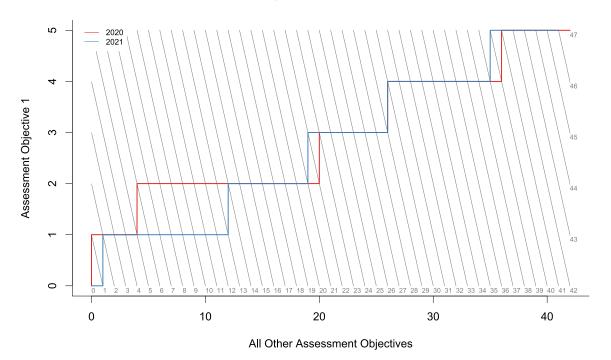




English Booklet 6 - AO1



English Booklet 7 - AO1





English Booklet 8 - AO1

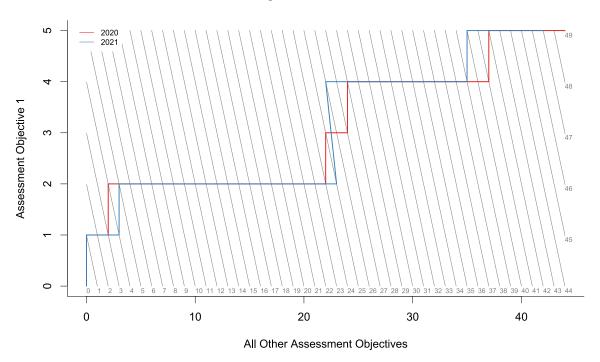
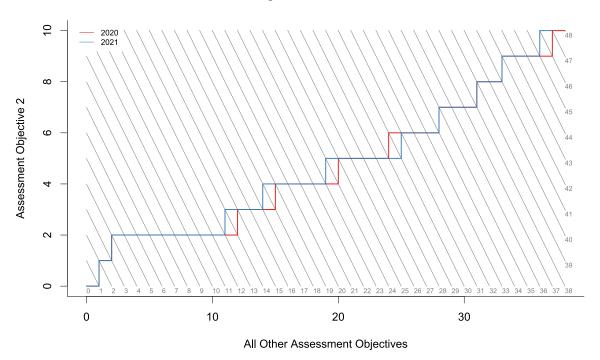




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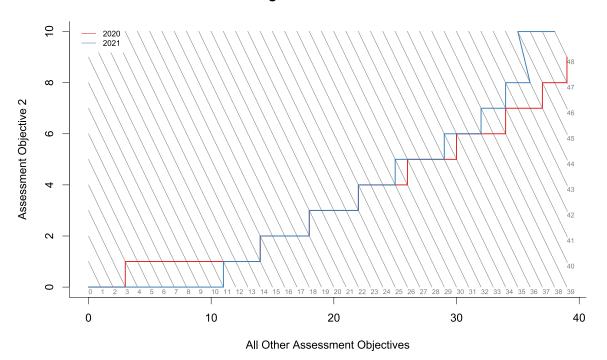
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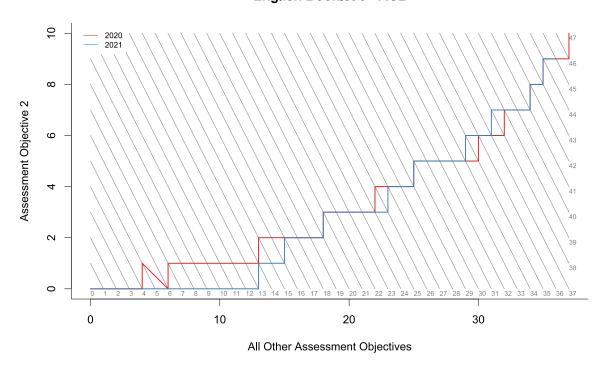




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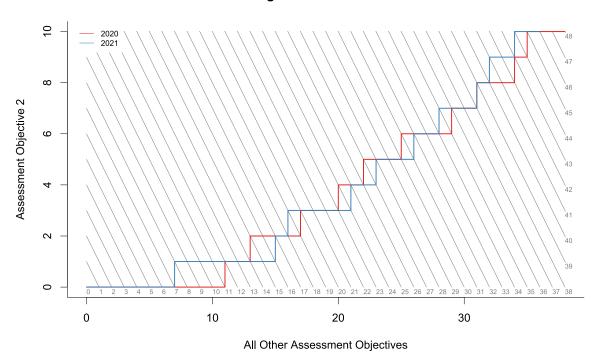


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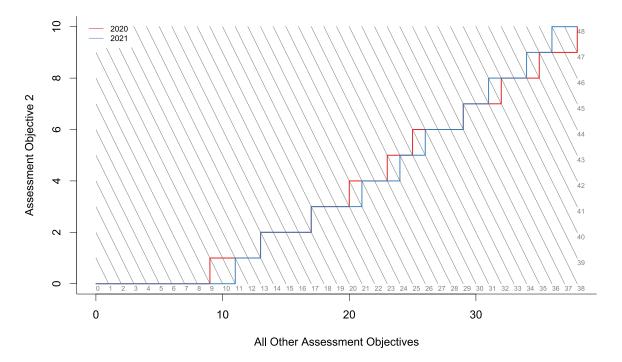




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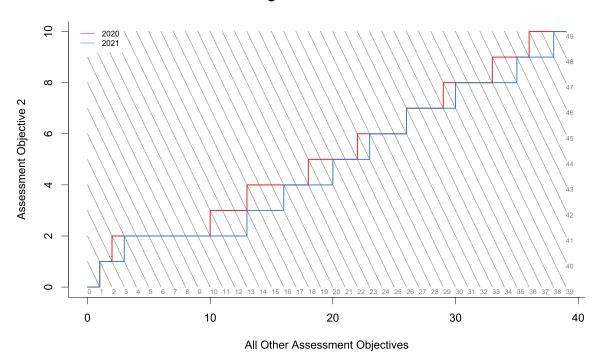


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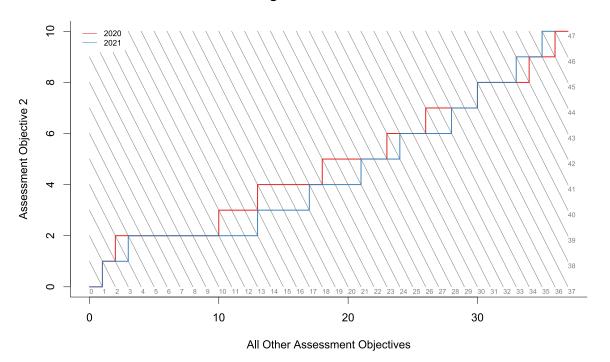




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English Booklet 8 - AO2

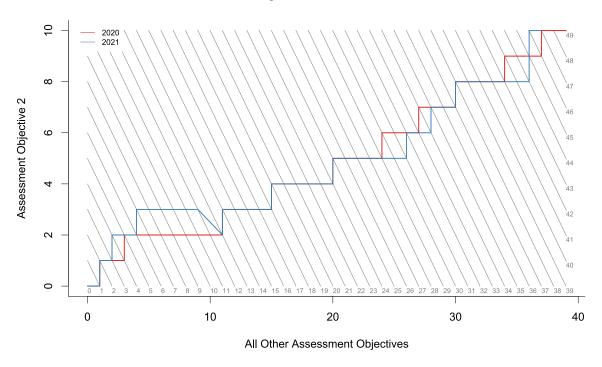
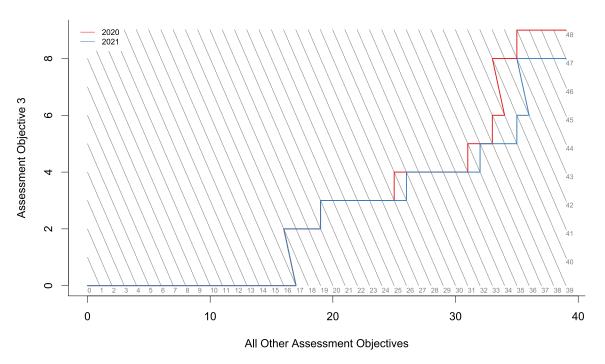




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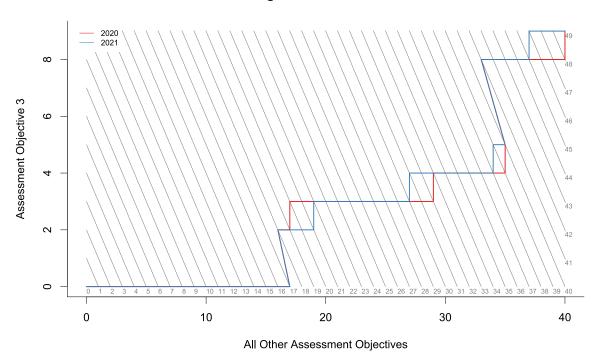
Figure A4 shows profile plots for English Booklets 1, 6, 7 and 8 showing AO3 scores. Each plot maps the scores for AO3 against the other assessment objectives, showing trends for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear change in performance on AO3 in the NRT between 2020 and 2021.

English Booklet 1 - AO3

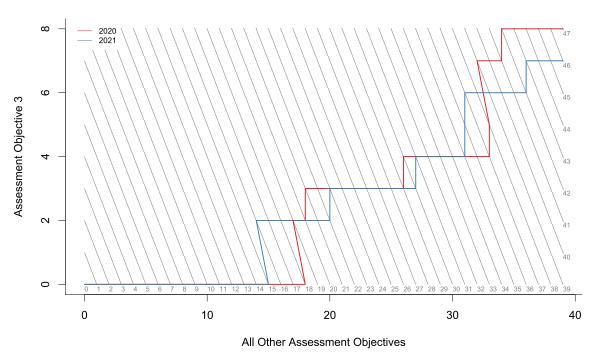




English Booklet 6 - AO3



English Booklet 7 - AO3





English Booklet 8 - AO3

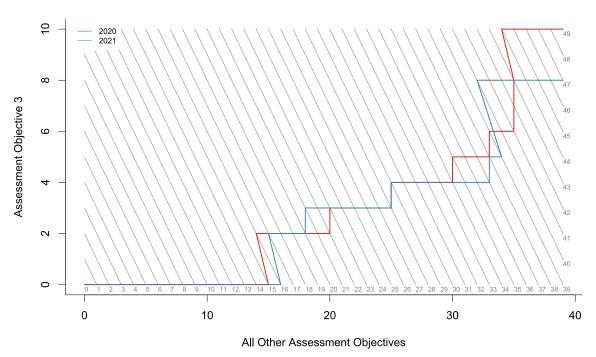
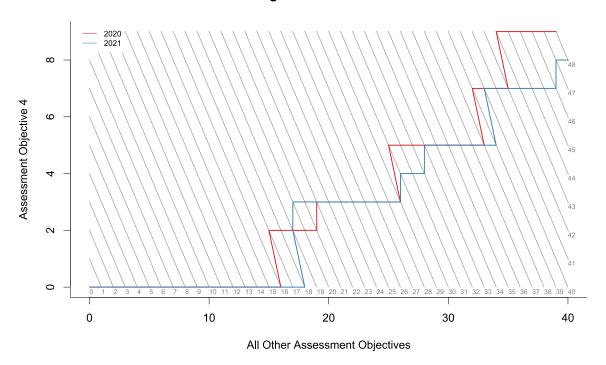




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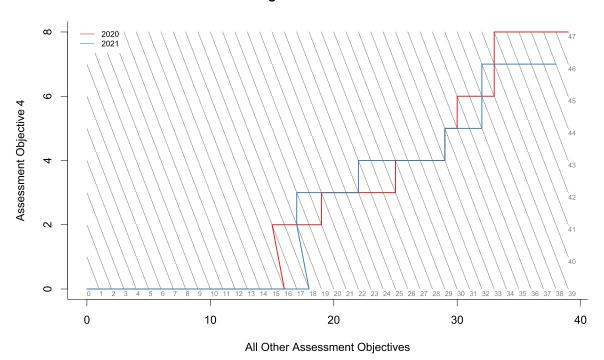
Figure A5 shows profile plot for English Booklets 2, 3, 4 and 5 showing AO4 scores. Each plot maps the scores for AO4 against the other assessment objectives, showing trends for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear change in performance on AO4 in the NRT between 2020 and 2021.

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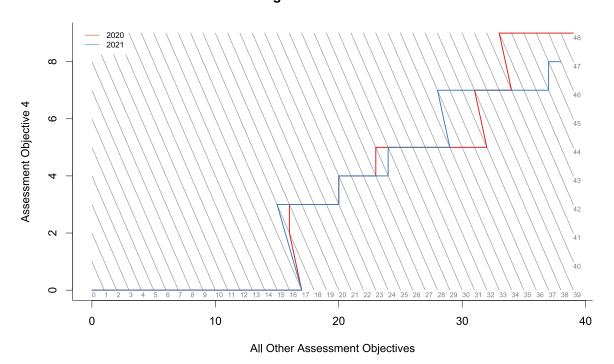




English Booklet 3 - AO4



English Booklet 4 - AO4





English Booklet 5 - AO4

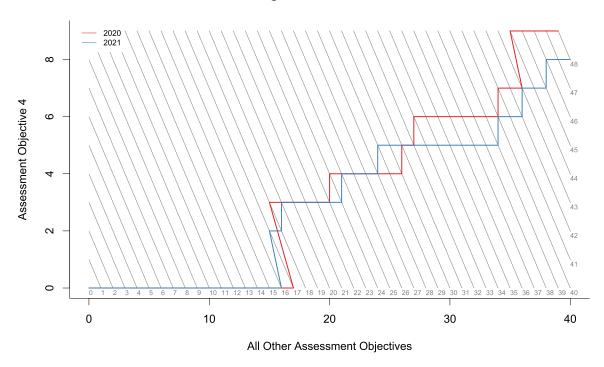
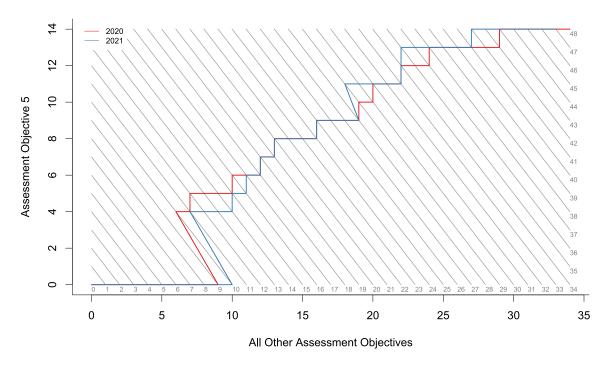




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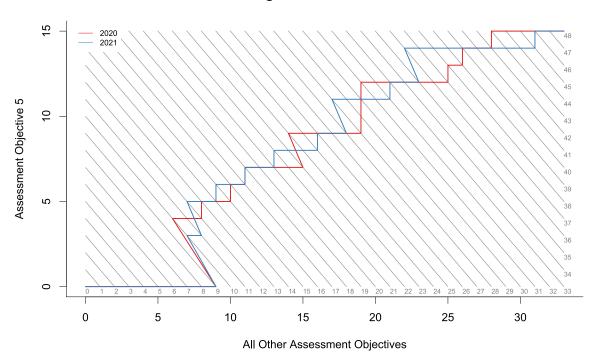
Figure A6 shows profile plots for English Booklets 1 to 8 showing AO5 scores. Each plot maps the scores for AO5 against the other assessment objectives, with trends shown for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear change in performance on AO5 in the NRT between 2020 and 2021.

English Booklet 1 - AO5





English Booklet 2 - AO5

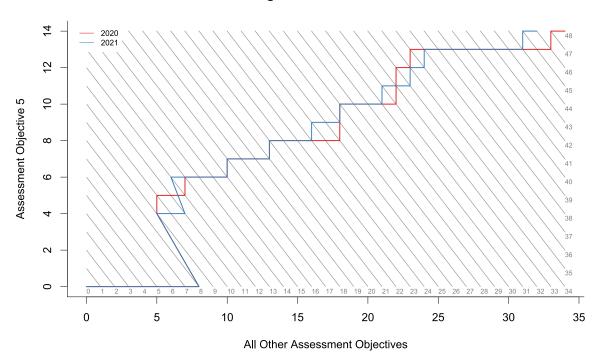


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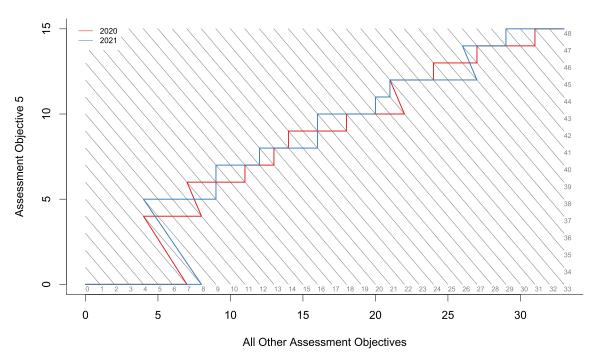




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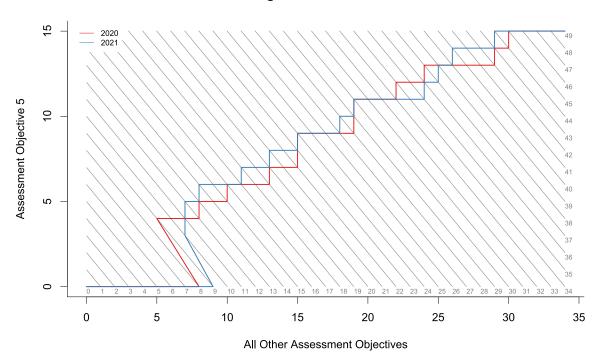


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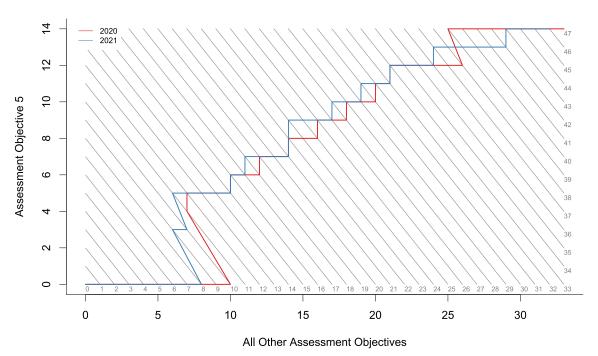




English Booklet 6 - AO5



English Booklet 7 - AO5





English Booklet 8 - AO5

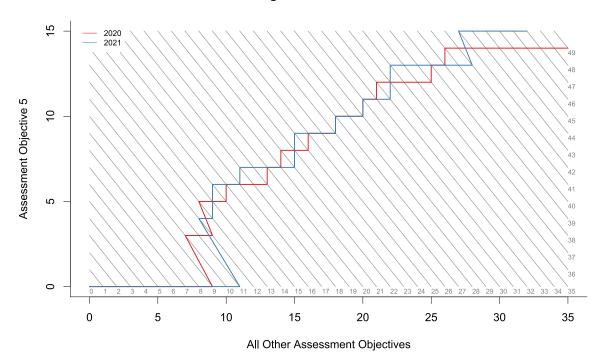
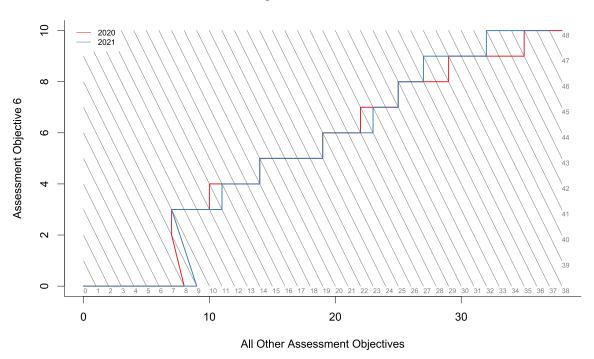




Figure A7 AO6

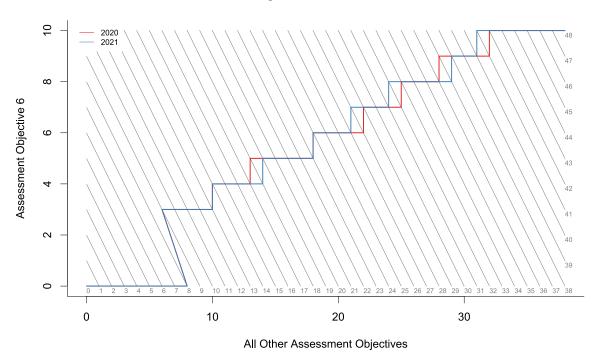
Figure A7 shows profile plots for English Booklets 1 to 8 showing AO6 scores. Each plot maps the scores for AO6 against the other assessment objectives, with trends shown for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear change in performance on AO6 in the NRT between 2020 and 2021.



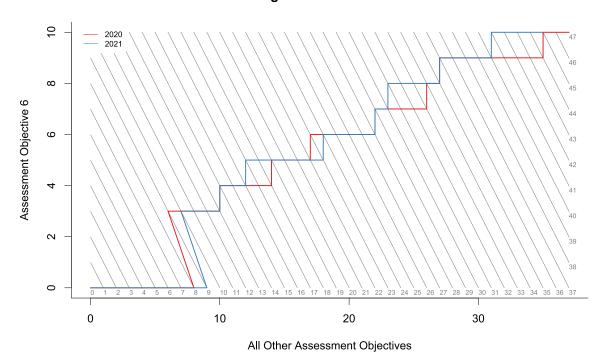




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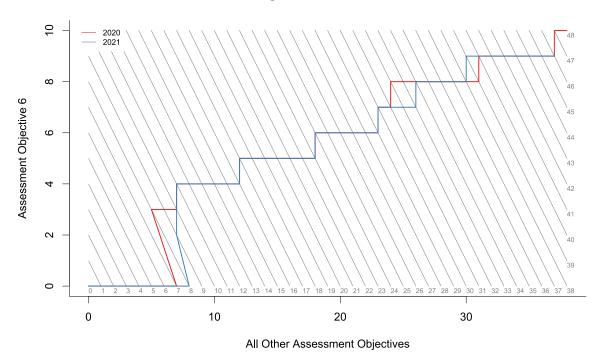


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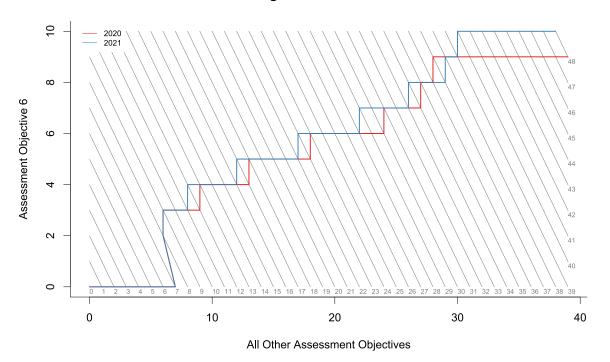




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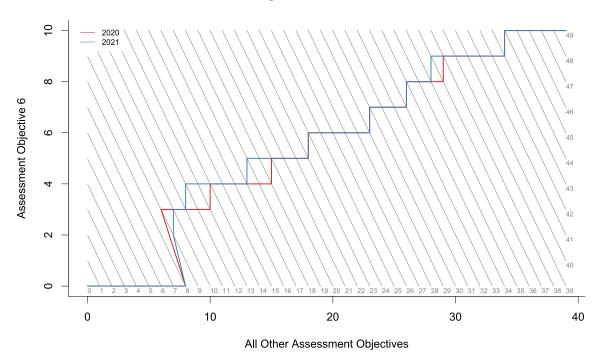


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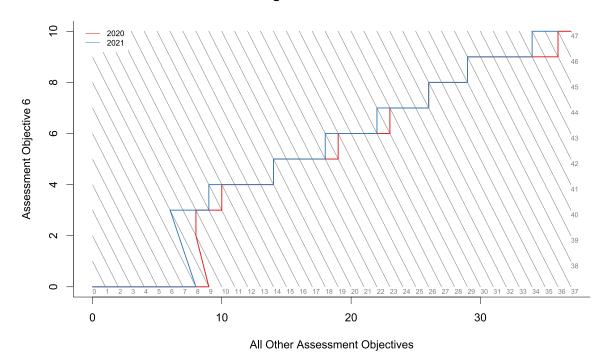




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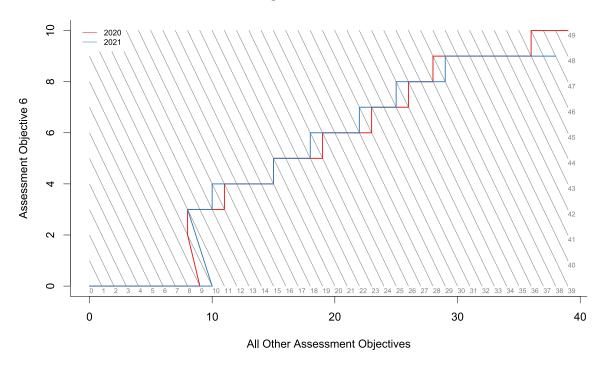


English Booklet 7 - AO6





English Booklet 8 - AO6



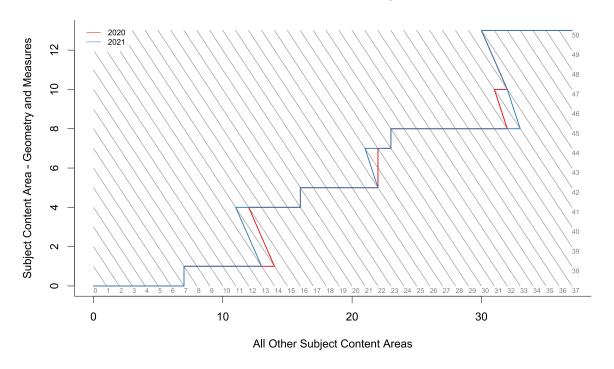


A2 Mathematics profile plots

Figure A8 Subject area – geometry and measures

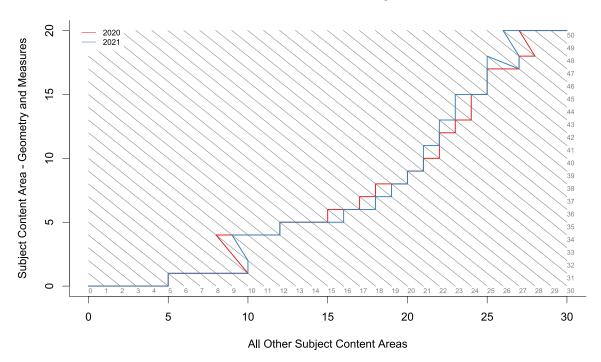
Figure A8 shows profile plots for Mathematics Booklets 1 to 8 showing geometry scores. Each plot maps the scores for geometry against the other subject content areas, with trends shown for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear change in performance between 2020 and 2021.

Mathematics Booklet 1 - Geometry and Measures

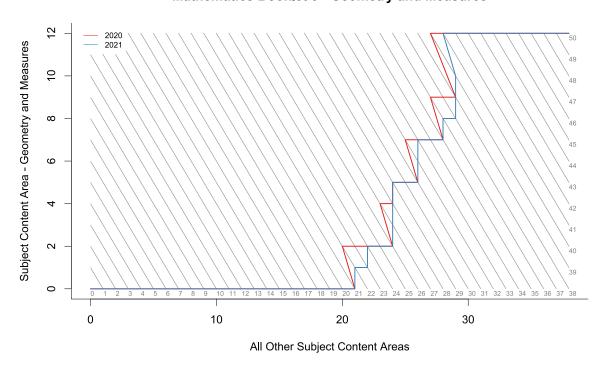




Mathematics Booklet 2 - Geometry and Measures

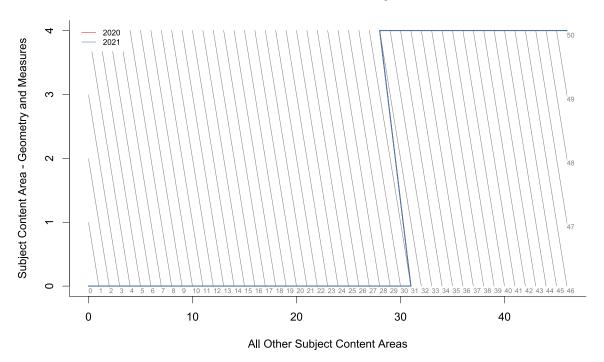


Mathematics Booklet 3 - Geometry and Measures

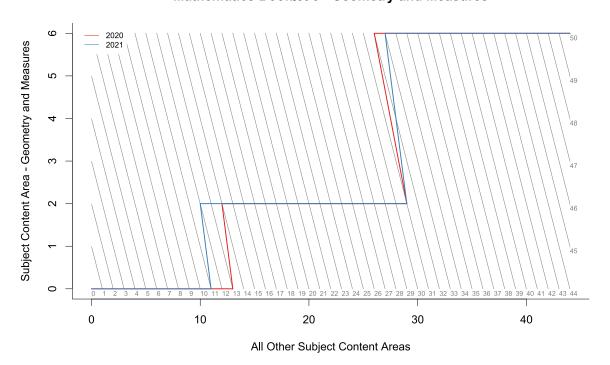




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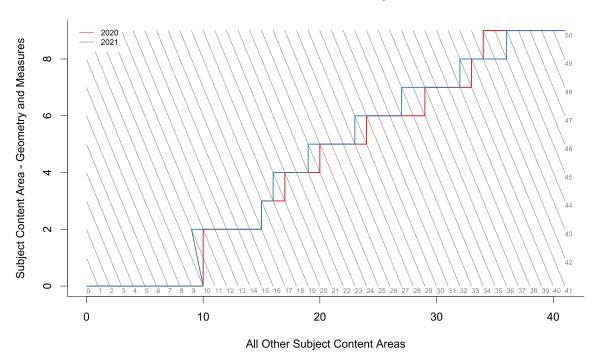


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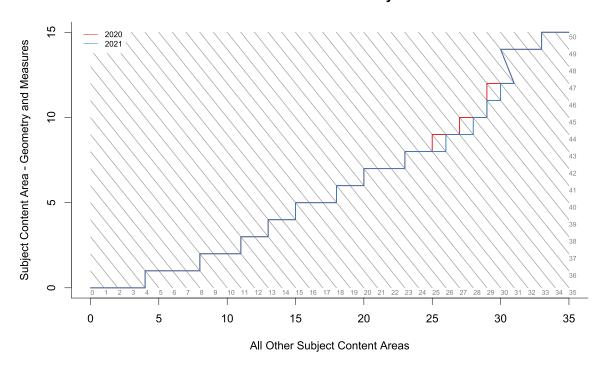




Mathematics Booklet 6 - Geometry and Measures



Mathematics Booklet 7 - Geometry and Measures





Mathematics Booklet 8 - Geometry and Measures

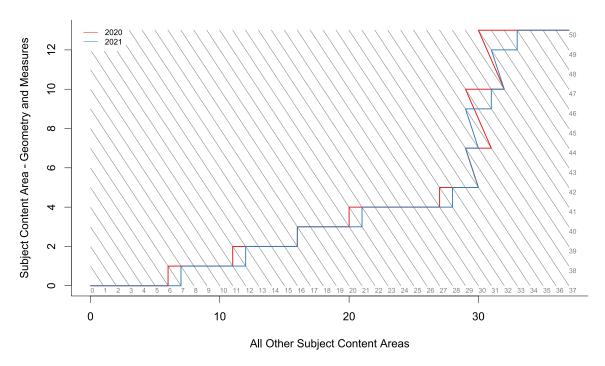
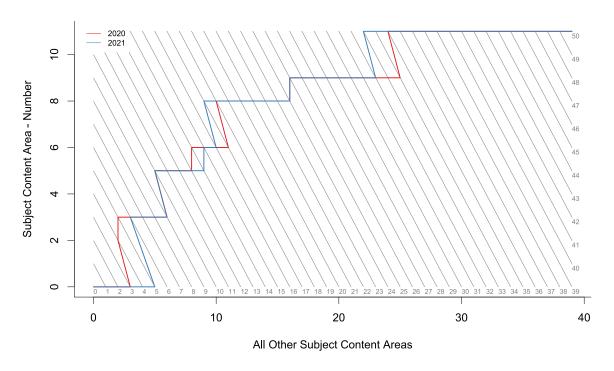




Figure A9 Subject area – number

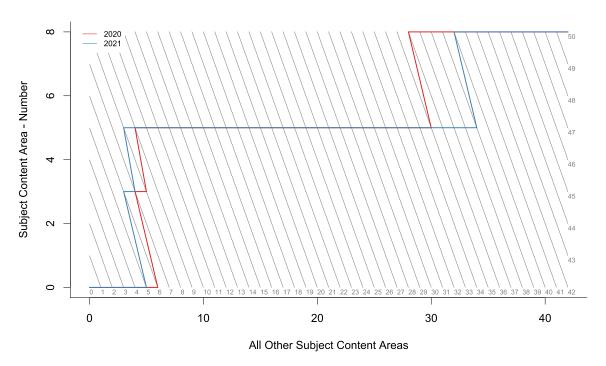
Figure A9 shows profile plot for Mathematics Booklets 1 to 8 showing number scores. Each plot maps the scores for number against the other subject content areas, with trends shown for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear change in performance between 2020 and 2021.

Mathematics Booklet 1 - Number

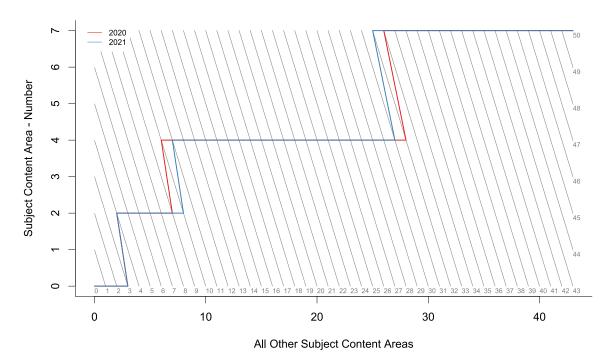




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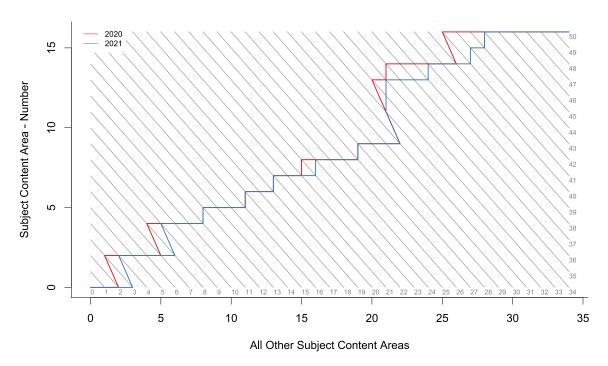


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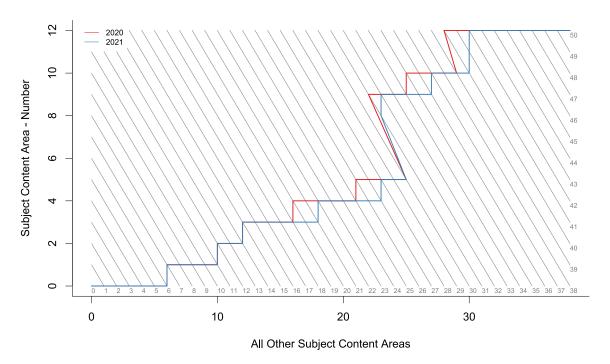




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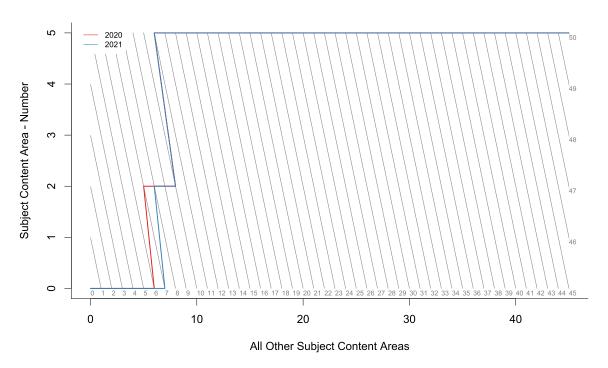


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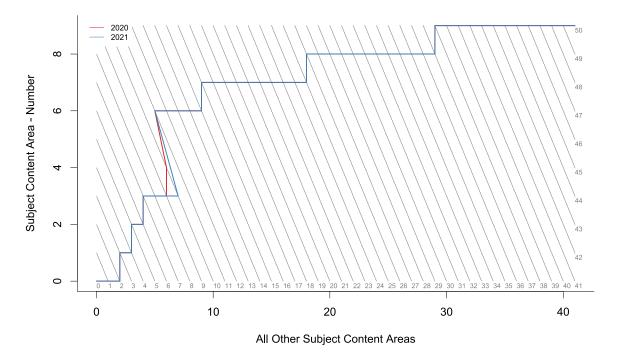




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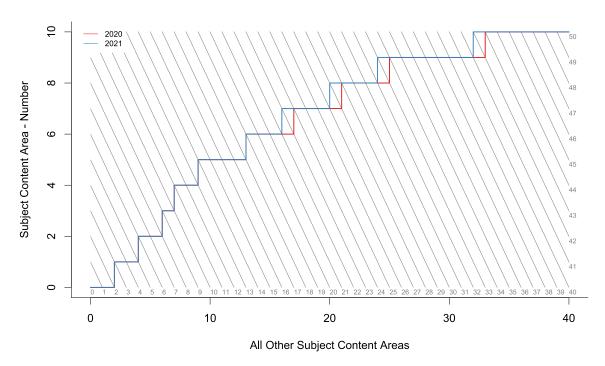
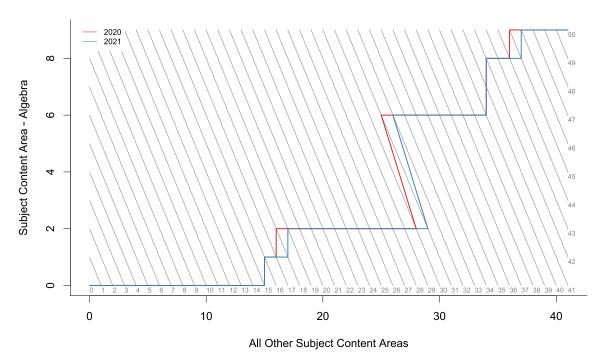




Figure A10 Subject area – algebra

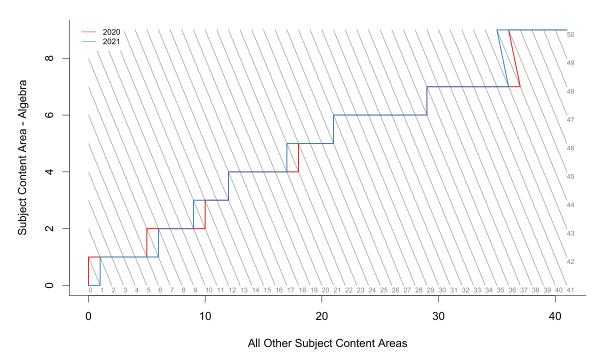
Figure A10 shows profile plots for Mathematics Booklets 1 to 8 showing algebra scores. Each plot maps the scores for algebra against the other subject content areas, with trends shown for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear change in performance between 2020 and 2021.

Mathematics Booklet 1 - Algebra

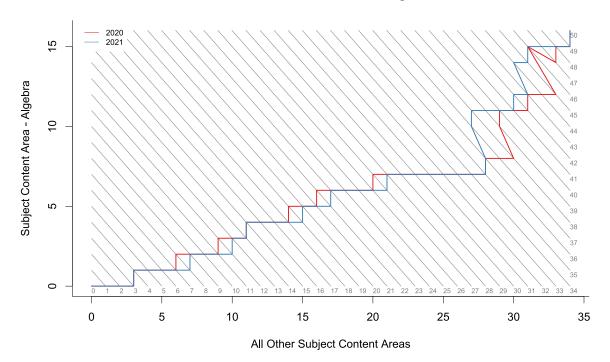




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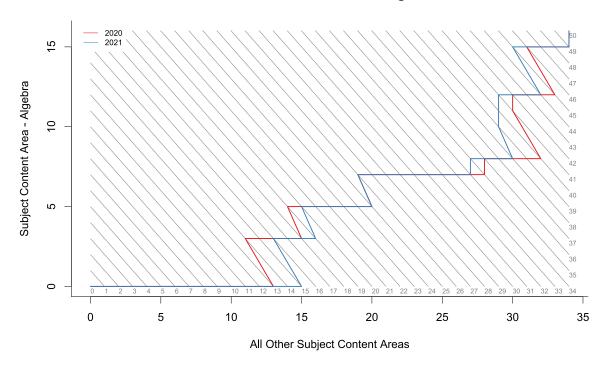


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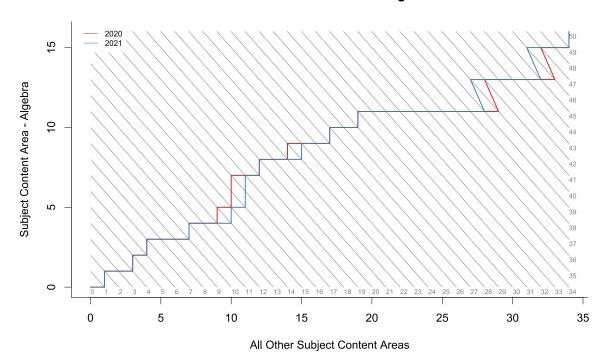




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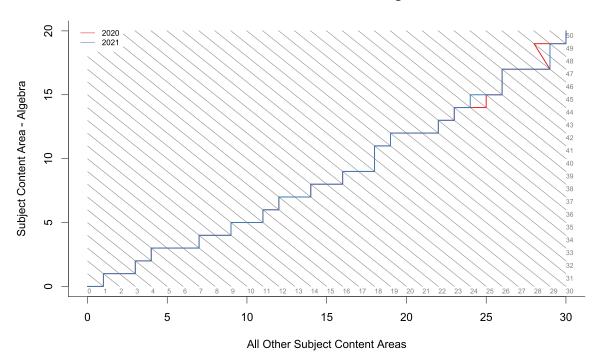


Mathematics Booklet 5 - Algebra



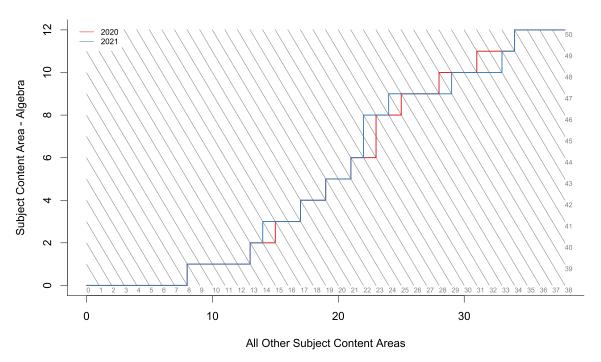


Mathematics Booklet 6 - Algebra





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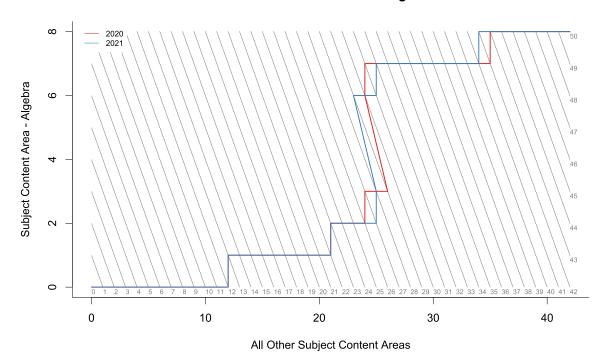


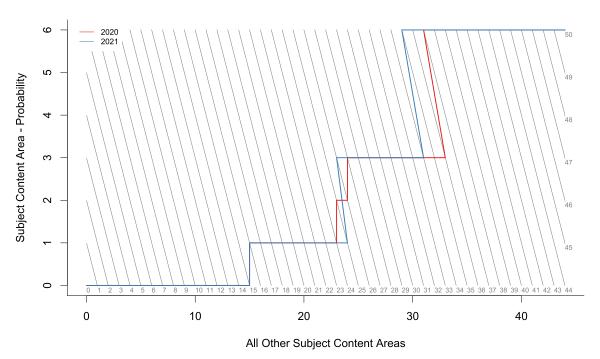


Figure A11 Subject area - probability

(Booklet 7 does not contain any probability items)

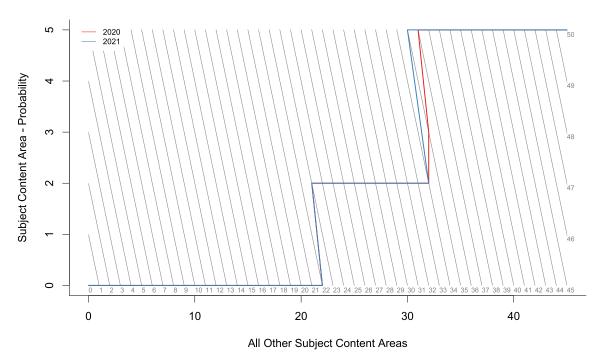
Figure A11 shows profile plots for Mathematics Booklets 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 showing probability scores. Each plot maps the scores for probability against the other subject content areas, with trends shown for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear change in performance between 2020 and 2021.

Mathematics Booklet 1 - Probability

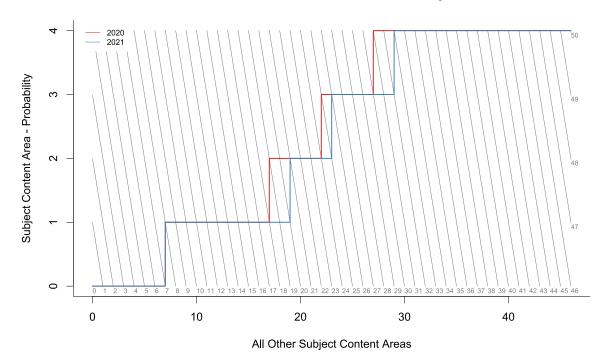




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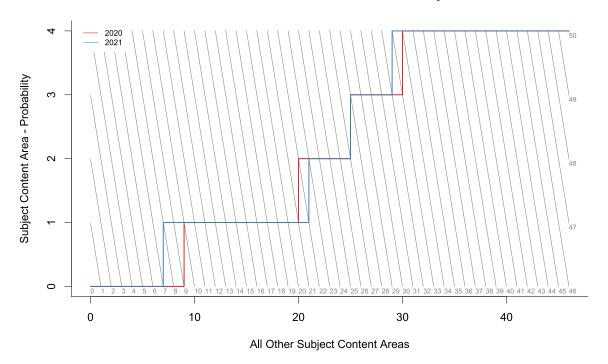


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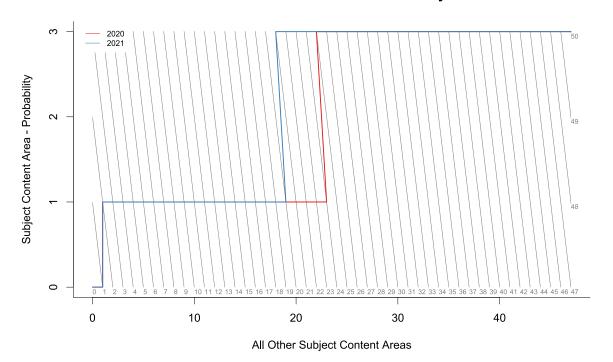




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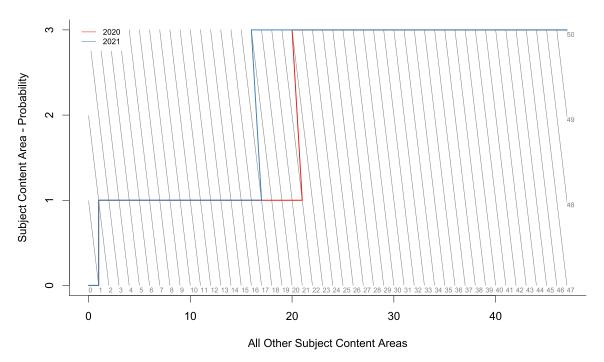


Mathematics Booklet 5 - Probability





Mathematics Booklet 6 - Probability



Mathematics Booklet 8 - Probability

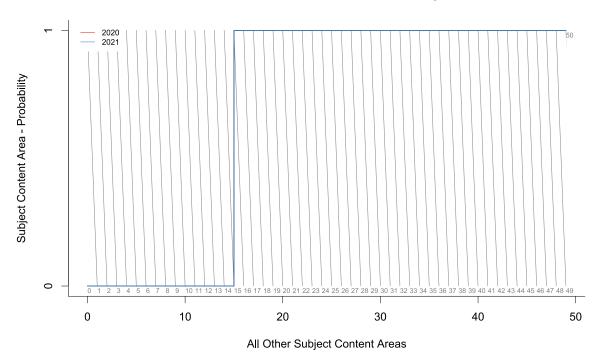
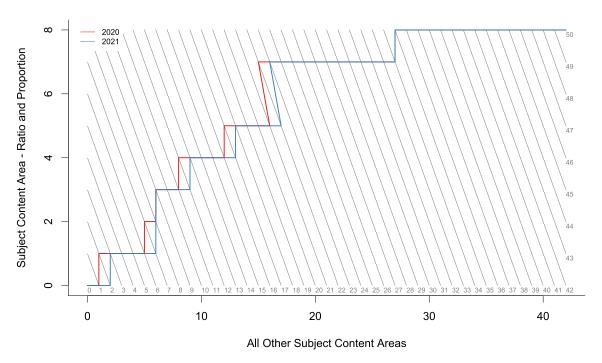




Figure A12 Subject area – ratio and proportion

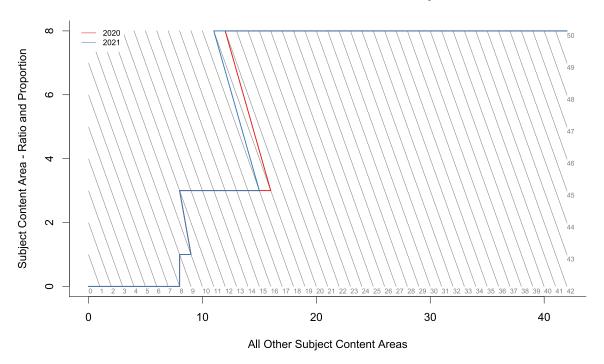
Figure A12 shows profile plots for Mathematics Booklets 1 to 8 showing ratio and proportion scores. Each plot maps the scores for ratio and proportion against the other subject content areas, with trends shown for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear difference in performance between 2020 and 2021.

Mathematics Booklet 1 - Ratio and Proportion

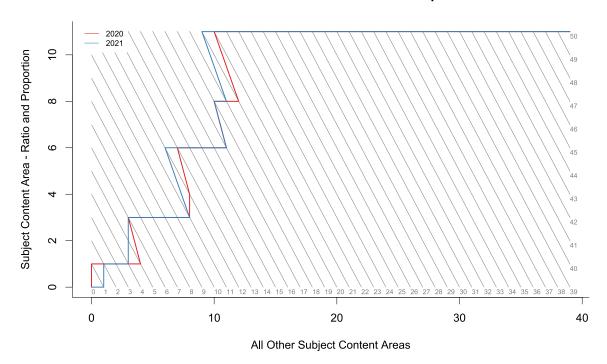




Mathematics Booklet 2 - Ratio and Proportion

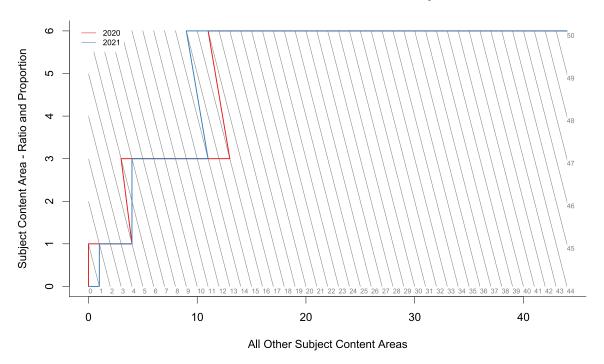


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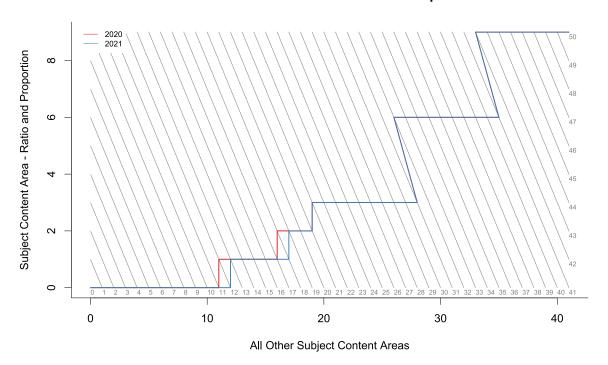




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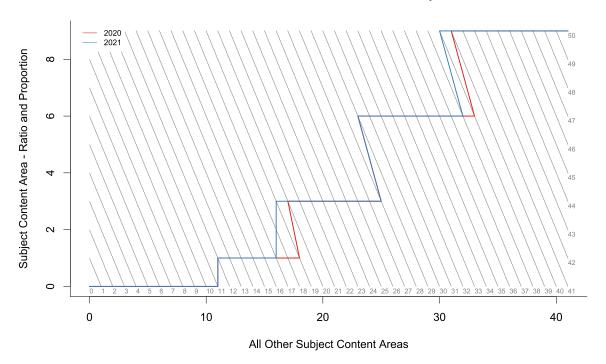


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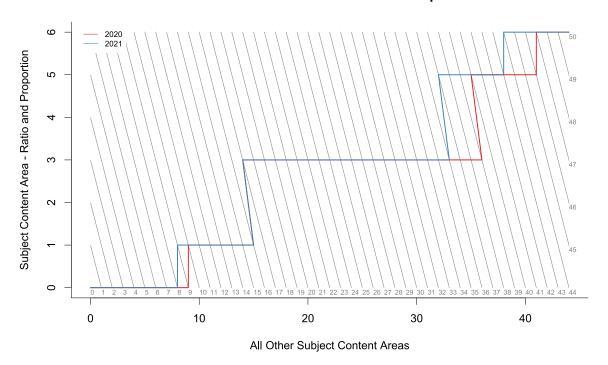




Mathematics Booklet 6 - Ratio and Proportion



Mathematics Booklet 7 - Ratio and Proportion





Mathematics Booklet 8 - Ratio and Proportion

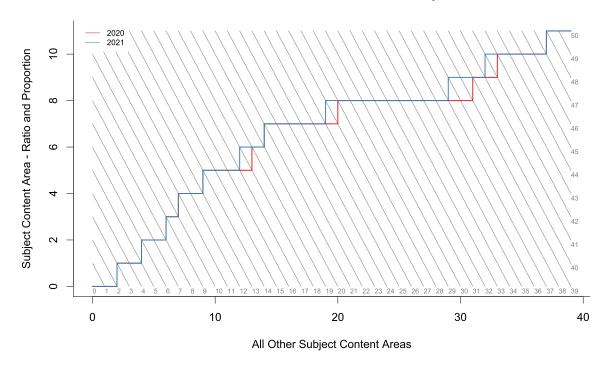
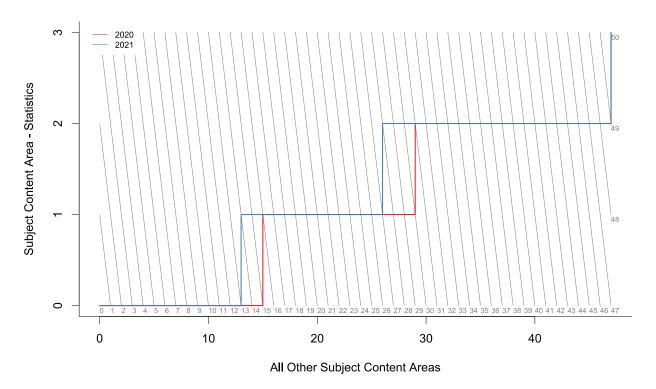




Figure A13 Subject area – statistics (booklets 2 and 3 do not contain any statistics items)

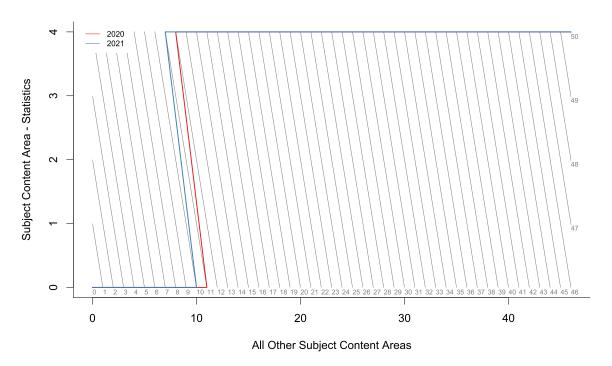
Figure A13 shows profile plots for booklets 1, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 showing statistics scores. Each plot maps the scores for statistics against the other subject content areas, with trends shown for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts. There is no evidence of a clear change in performance between 2020 and 2021.

Mathematics Booklet 1 - Statistics

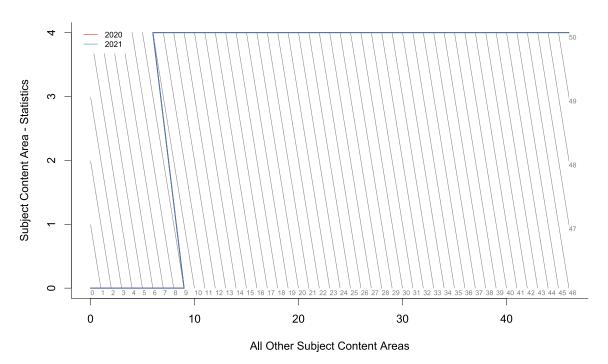




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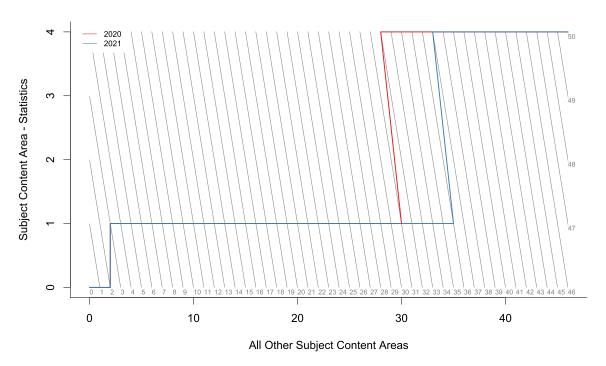


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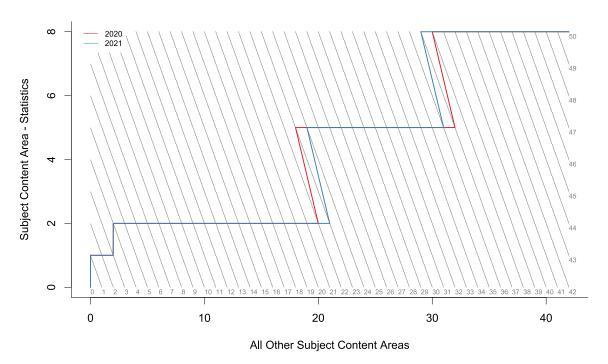




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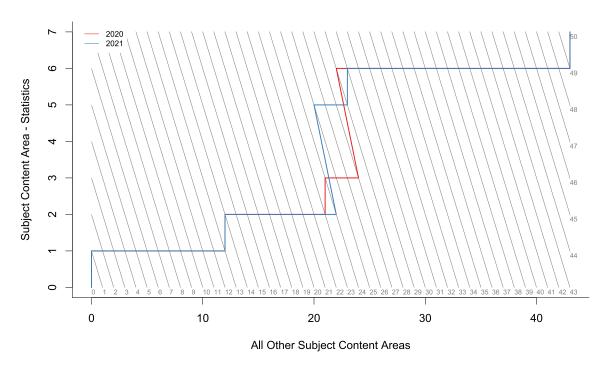


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