Please scan the QR code below and complete the short welcome questions.





Year 11 Revision Evening

Thursday 18th September 2025

SUPPORT FOR REVISION - ENGLISH, MATHS AND SCIENCE



Aims of this evening:

Welcome

Guidance for Science GCSE

Guidance for English GCSE

Guidance for Maths GCSE

How to help at home.

Useful online resources.



How can I support my child in this context?

When should my child start reviewing work?

How long should my child revise for?

Do I need to buy revision guides?

How can I be supportive when I don't know all the exam content?

What does good revision look like?



Progress, Individuality, Opportunity.



Revision starts now







PREPARATION



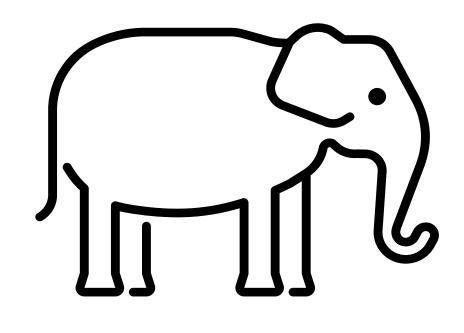
HARD WORK



SUPPORT

How do you eat an elephant?...

...One bite at a time!

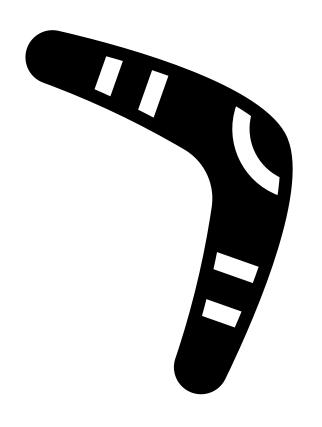


What is revision anyway?

Revision is about trying to condense a large amount of knowledge into manageable chunks so that you can recall more of it.

Revision is also about knowing what skills you need to practise for exam success.





Tried and tested revision strategies

AQA	Eduquas	Edexcel GCSE	Edexcel BTEC	OCR GCSE
Art and Design	Design and	Business	Animal Care	Compter
Biology	Technology (Graphics and	Studies	(First Award)	Science
Chemistry	RM)	Drama	Child Development	Music
Physics	Food Prep and Nutrition	History	(Tech Award)	Cambridge National IT
Combined Science	Tracificion .		Sport	Tractional 11
French			(Tech Award)	
English Literature			Health and Social Care	
English Language			(Tech Award)	
Maths				
Further Maths				
Geography				
Religious Studies				

Know your Exam Boards



Sample Revision Timetable

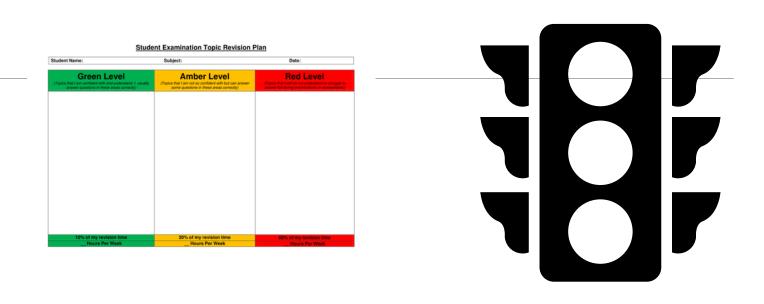
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Wed 5 th	English Paper 1	Maths Paper 1	Break/Tea	Science Paper 1	History
Thur 6 th	PE	Spanish	Break/Tea	FOOTBALL	FOOTBALL
Fri 7 th	Science Paper 2	Maths Paper 2	Break/Tea	History	Spanish
	9:00-9:45	10:00-10:45			
Sat 8th	Science Paper 3	Geog.			

Your revision timetable should be unique to you – you might have commitments (e.g. job, family) and you need to balance these. Consistent, disciplined revision beats unstructured cramming every time.

Revision Timetable Maker / Study Planner (getrevising.co.uk)

GCSE HISTORY RAG

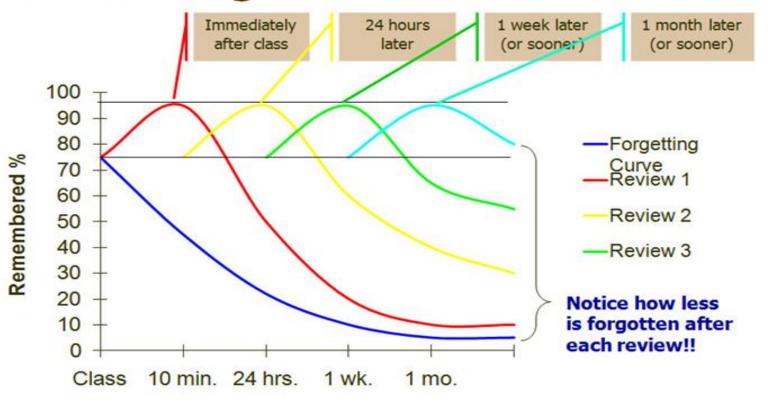




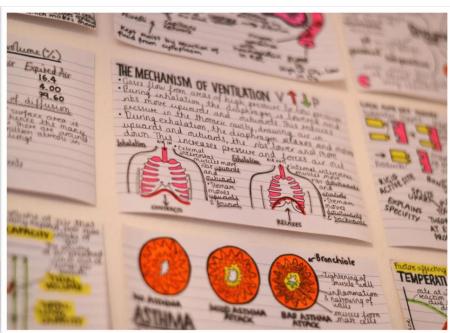
Traffic Lights

Transport in Cells		
Describe the process of diffusion, including examples		
Explain how diffusion is affected by different factors		
Define and explain "surface area to volume ratio", and how this relates to single-celled and multicellular organisms (inc calculations)		
Explain how the effectiveness of an exchange surface can be increased,		
including examples of adaptations for small intestines, lungs, gills roots & leaves		
Describe the process of osmosis (inc calculation of water uptake & percentage gain and loss of mass of plant tissue)		
Required practical 3: investigate the effect of a range of concentrations of salt or sugar solutions on the mass of plant tissue		
Describe the process of active transport, including examples - gut and roots		
Explain the differences between diffusion, osmosis and active transport		

Overcoming the Curve

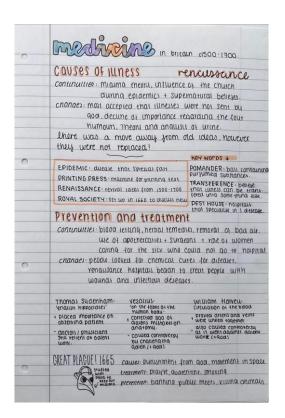






Revision Cards

A Short & Sweet Guide to the Leitner System | Goodnotes Blog

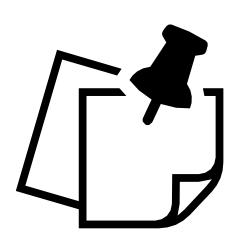


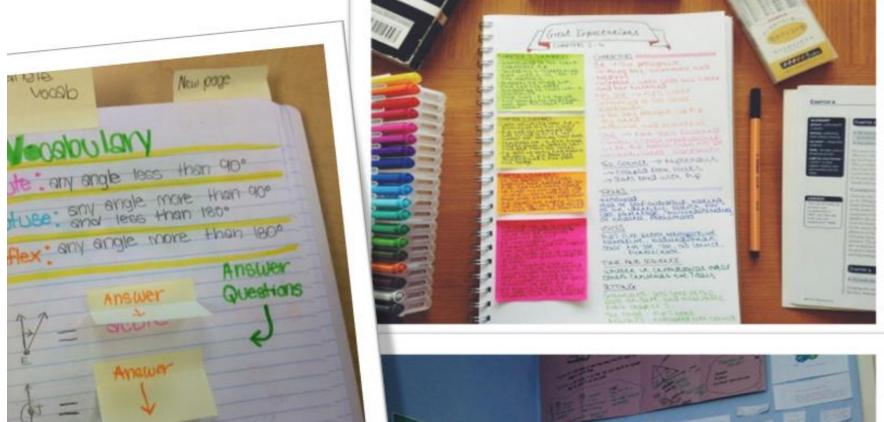




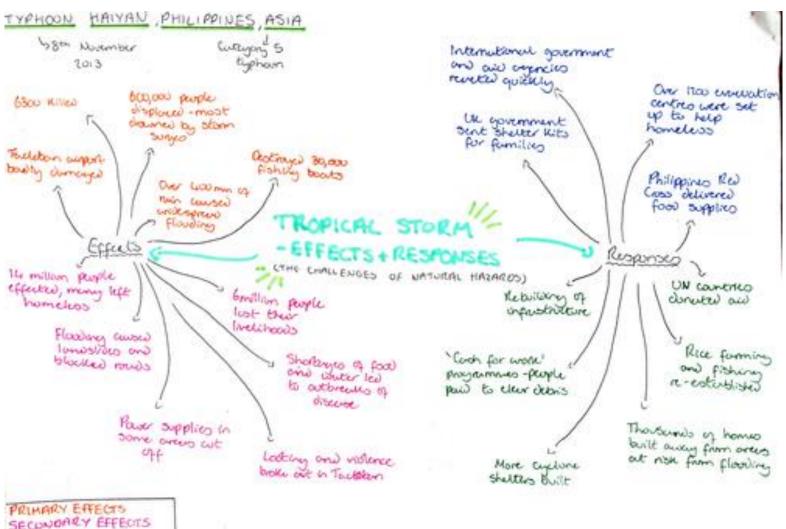
Blurting

Post-it notes









Mindmaps

PRIMARY EFFECTS
SECONDARY EFFECTS
IMMEDIATE RESPONSES
LONG TERM RESPONSES

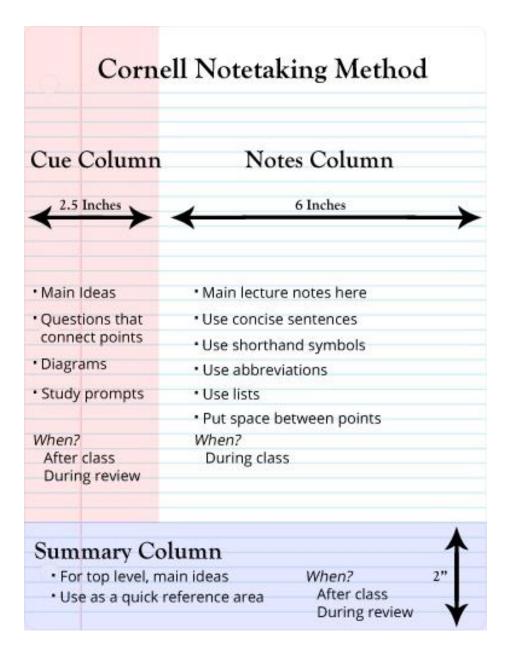
Definitions. \ Waves Hydraulic action - The sheer force of the waves hitting ot. Destructive the rocks and cliffs and getting & 1-1850 + 19h @ . 10-15 per minute. stump High frequency Frosion Attrition - Stones and rocks Circular motion: + fetch collide making them rounder . Weak Swash Strong BW Abrasion - Sediment 1) Lines of weakness erode through and racks hit the cliff erosional processes

Low E. 9 per minute face and break racks. 1) es able clay · Weak Swash Strong BV graves, and and grava Low E. 9 per minute face and break racks. 2) The lines of weakness get bigger and turn into a sea cave.

Elliptical motion - Solution - and turn into a sea cave.

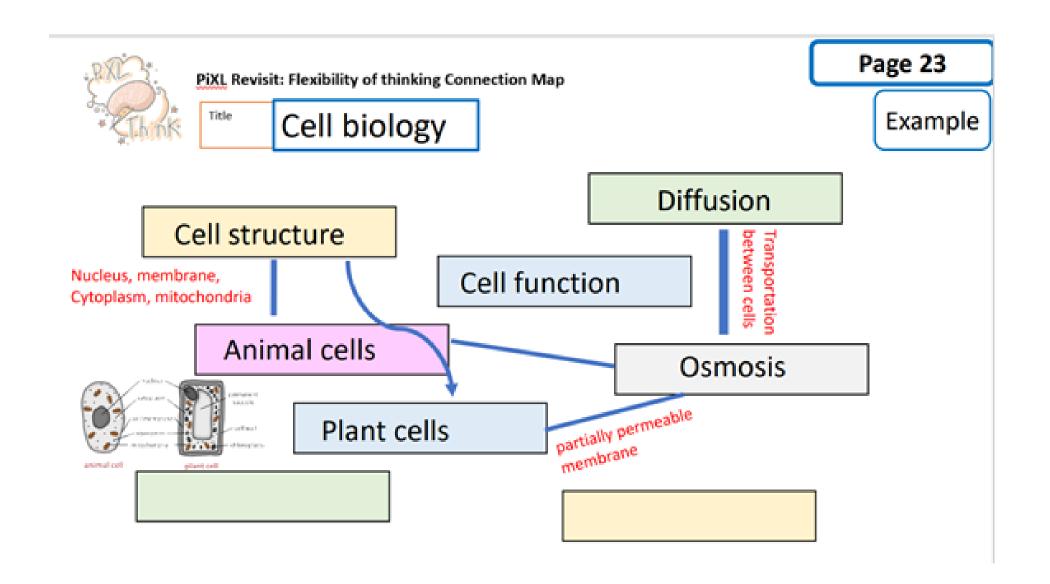
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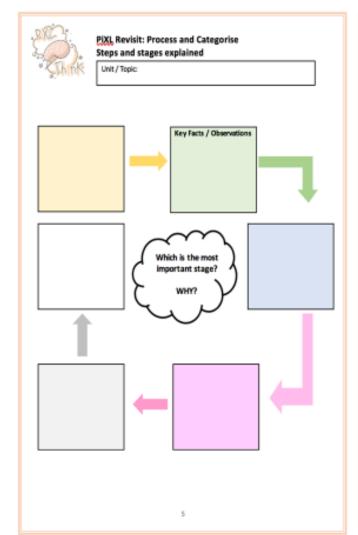
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Cornell notes and Re-visit templates

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ErSjc1PEGKE





PIXI, Revisit: Ranking Triangle
Name of Topic:
Name:
Class:
The most important information goes at the top and then the least important at the bottom. Make sure you justify WHY you think it the most/least important.
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Online Revision Resources



GCSEpod

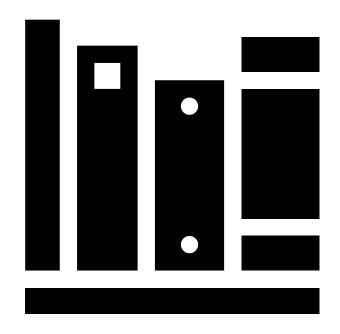
My Study plan (App)

Cognito

BBC Bitesize

Quizlet

Seneca Learning



Revising English

GCSE English Literature and GCSE English Language

GCSE English Literature

- Two papers
- All 4 set texts plus unseen poetry

GCSE English Language

- Two papers
- Both with Reading and Writing sections

GCSE English Language and Literature

No tier of entry

Every student sits the same exam

Students prepare for **two** qualifications:

GCSE English Literature

GCSE English Language

Spoken Language
endorsement- does not
count towards 'grade', but is
shown on certificate
as Pass, Merit or Distinction

English Language

READING (40 MARKS)

Students are tested on their:

- Understanding of previously unseen texts
- Ability to infer
- Application of short, embedded quotations
- Analysis of quotations
- Ability to talk about the writer's language/methods, considering how and why their methods are used in that way.

WRITING (40 MARKS)

Students are tested on their:

- Spelling
- Punctuation
- •Grammar
- Vocabulary
- Sentence construction
- Paragraphs
- •Ideas
- Ability to suit their writing to a specific genre, audience and purpose.

English Literature

READING

Students are tested on their:

- Understanding of set texts and unseen poetry texts
- Ability to infer, examining character, key themes and context
- Application of short, embedded quotations which they need to learn (closed book exam)
- Analysis of quotations
- Ability to talk about the writer's language/methods, considering how and why their methods are used in that way
- Understanding of genre
- Ability to compare poems

WRITING

Students gain up to **4 marks** on certain tasks for their ability to:

 use a range of vocabulary and sentence structures for clarity, purpose and effect, with accurate spelling and punctuation.

What do I need?



A copy of the set texts- most of these are provided with the exception of 'An Inspector Calls'



Year 10:

Romeo and Juliet

An Inspector Calls

Poetry Anthology (provided in Year 9)



Year 11:

A Christmas Carol



Patience, consistency and determination.



Highlighters – ideally 3 different colours for the different Language questions



Revision Guides (CGP) can be useful.

How do we prepare students in English?



Read texts in class/set homework for research (i.e. context), revision or to consolidate learning



Guided activities and exemplars used for extended writing tasks



Build skills for Language and Literature



Assess work using GCSE mark schemes 'like the real GCSE' and share these with students



Provide feedback and opportunities to enable students to improve

How we 'read' and 'analyse' in English

P: Point

E: Example

T: Technique (method)

A: Analyse

L: Link back to the question



0 2

Look in detail at this extract from lines 8 to 18 of the Source:

The wind came in gusts, at times shaking the coach as it travelled round the bend of the road, and in the exposed places on the high ground it blew with such force that the whole body of the coach trembled and swayed, rocking between the high wheels like

The driver, muffled in a greatcoat to his ears, bent almost double in his seat in a faint attempt to gain shelter from his own shoulders, while the dispirited horses plodded a drunken man. sullenly to his command, too broken by the wind and the rain to feel the whip that now and again cracked above their heads, while it swung between the numb fingers of the

The wheels of the coach creaked and groaned as they sank into the ruts on the road, and sometimes they flung up the soft spattered mud against the windows, where it mingled with the constant driving rain, and whatever view there might have been of the countryside was hopelessly obscured.

How does the writer use language here to describe the effects of the weather?

You could include the writer's choice of:

- words and phrases
- language features and techniques
- sentence forms.

[8 marks]

Shorter responses

Romeo and Juliet

Read the following extract from Act 1 Scene 2 of Romeo and Juliet and then answer the At this point in the play Lord Capulet and Paris are discussing Juliet.

But now, my lord, what say you to my suit?

But saying o'er what I have said before: My child is yet a stranger in the world,

She hath not seen the change of fourteen years; Let two more summers wither in their pride, Ere we may think her ripe to be a bride.

Younger than she are happy mothers made.

And too soon marred are those so early made. The earth hath swallowed all my hopes but she; She's the hopeful lady of my earth.

But woo her, gentle Paris, get her heart, My will to her consent is but a part;

And she agreed, within her scope of choice Lies my consent and fair according voice.

0 2

Starting with this conversation, explain how far you think Shakespeare presents Lord Write about:

- how Shakespeare presents Lord Capulet in this extract • how Shakespeare presents Lord Capulet in the play as a whole.

[30 marks] AO4 [4 marks]

Longer essay style responses

How can my child revise for English?

Students need to read regularly

- 20 minutes three times a week
- Fiction or non-fiction the wider range the better, to understand text types and actively build vocabulary
- They also need to read through their notes and reread the set texts

How can you help?

- Help them choose their reading books, especially if they have a narrow genre-based preference
- Read to them and with them/listen to them read
- Discuss what they're reading and discuss newspaper articles/contemporary events and issues with them
- Look at what they're writing and how long they're spending on tasks: time management is important
- Talk about and introduce them to new vocabulary
- Ask them how the writer gets their opinion across
- Test them on the quotations they are learning

Get them to write 'notes without notes'

Write and answer their own questions

Complete test papers and parents read over them

Time your child to complete a practice question

Plan responses to questions

Get them to 'teach' you, but have their notes and highlight everything they say

Use the internet to create notes

TIP 1: Self test on the set texts

TIP 2: Do It Properly

Start with the hard stuff

Vary your method

Build up your stamina

A revision guide alone isn't revising

Read difficult texts

– really read them!

Vary your texts

Take away distractions

Useful websites

Useful Websites

BBC Bitesize GCSE English Language

http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zr9d7ty

BBC Bitesize GCSE English Literature

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/english_literature/

Youtube: Search for any "Mr Bruff" videos

What can English revision look like?

Just reading things does not work

You have to 'fix' the information by writing it down.

Exam question

In some countries an increasing number suffering from health problems as a resu much fast food. It is therefore necessary to impose a higher tax on this kind of foo

To what extent do you agree or disagree

Nowadays, more and more people are aff diabetes and heart disease which are link mass-produced food. Some people believ

food less affordable by taxing it highly. Despite the severity of the problem, I think this is quite wrong. Increasing the tax on fast food would unfairly penalise people and may not necessarily bring about the desired health

First, fast food is about more than just nutrition money on fast food not because they need to ε how they socialise. Fast-food restaurants provi for young people to meet friends. For another ξ fast food can provide an inexpensive treat for the a small pleasure in life could affect their social.

Another important point is that if the reason for obesity, it may be ineffective. It is true that fast and fat, all of which cause weight gain and are However, we also know that there are other fac risk of obesity, such as lack of exercise and ina While home-cooked food is generally healthy, t personally know a family that used to eat highenomous portions. They all suffered from heal

On the other hand, I do understand the point or drastic action is needed. If fast food were taxed people would be forced to seek out healthier opproducers would have an incentive to provide I

Take a longer piece of writing and highlight key points

Parents can ask students to:

- List the key words on a topic
- Explain the key words on the topic
- Explain the full answer with you using the key words as bingo cards
 - Teach you about a topic/text
 - Explain what quotations actually mean

Make short notes based on your key points

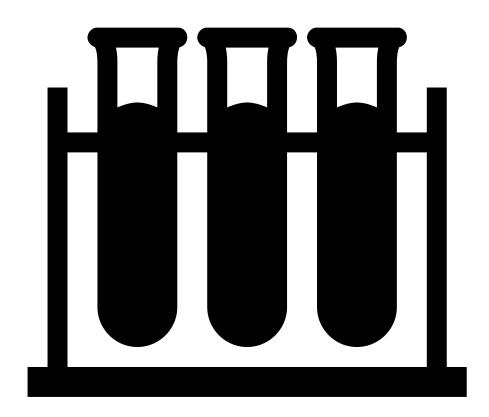




Then paraphrase trying to make it shorter



Until you get to key words



Revising Science

AQA Separate Sciences: Biology, Chemistry and Physics

Students in Sets 1 and 2

Higher Tier – grades 9-4 Foundation Tier – grades 5-1

2 exams in each subject 1 hour 45 mins, 100 marks

AQA Combined Science (Trilogy)

Students in Sets 3, 4 and 5

Higher Tier – grades 9-4

Foundation Tier – grades 5-1

2 exams in each science subject (6 in total)

1 hour 15 mins, 70 marks

Students receive 2 grades: 99, 98, 88, 87, ... 54, 44, 43, 33...etc

	Biology Paper 1	Chemistry Paper 1		Physics Paper 1
1. 2. 3. 4.	Cell biology Organisation Infection and response Bioenergetics	 Atomic structure and the periodic table Bonding, structure and properties of matter Quantitative chemistry Chemical changes Energy changes 	1. 2. 3. 4.	Energy Electricity Particle model of matter Atomic structure
	Biology Paper 2	Chemistry Paper 2		Physics Paper 2
5. 6. 7.	Homeostasis and response Inheritance, variation and evolution Ecology	 6. Rate and extent of chemical change 7. Organic chemistry 8. Chemical analysis 9. Chemistry of the atmosphere 10. Using resources 	5. 6. 7.	Forces Waves Magnetism and electromagnetism Space (Separates only)

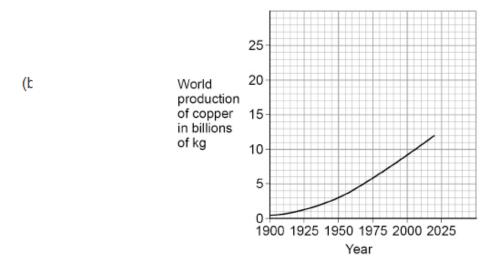
Questions in paper 2 may draw on an understanding of prior knowledge (e.g. Cell structure and enzymes in Organisation, Atomic structure and Quantative Chemistry and Energy and Electricity)

Questions types

- Multiple choice
- Fill in the blank
- Match up
- Short answer (1-3 marks)
- Extended answer (4-6 marks)
- Calculations
- Graph (interpretation and drawing)

Industries use the Earth's natural copper resources to produce useful products.

d) The figure below shows the world production of copper from 1900 to 2020.



a)	Describe the trend shown by the graph in the figure above.	
		2)
		(2)

Required Practical Questions

RP in **bold** are for students sitting separate sciences only

Biology RP	Chemistry RP	Physics RP
Microscopy	Making salts	Specific heat capacity
Osmosis	Neutralisation	Thermal insulation
Enzymes	Electrolysis	Resistance
Food tests	Temperature changes	IV characteristics
Microbiology	Rates of reaction	Density
Photosynthesis	Chromatography	Force and extension
Germination	Identifying ions	Acceleration
Reaction time	Water purification	Waves
Field sampling		Light
Decay		Radiation and absorption

Students will be asked questions on these required practicals across all of their papers

They may be asked to:

- Suitable equipment
- Write a method
- Calculate a missing result
- Draw a graph
- Describe a graph
- Explain the results

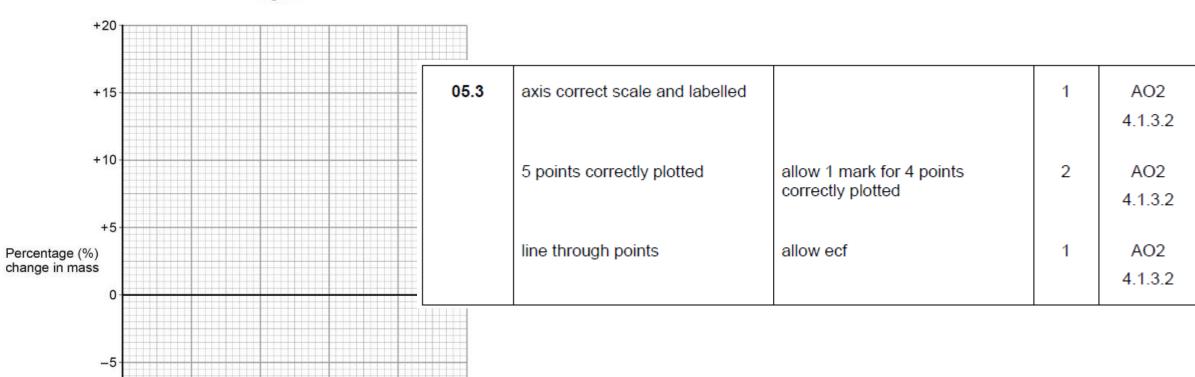
- . Choose a suitable scale and label for the x-axis.
- Plot the percentage (%) change in mass.
- Draw a line of best fit.

-10-

-15

[4 marks]

Figure 3



04.5	(17 + 17 + 18) / 3		1	AO3
				6.1.1.4
	temperature rise = 17 (°C)	allow 17.3	1	

Table 1 shows the student's results.

Table 1

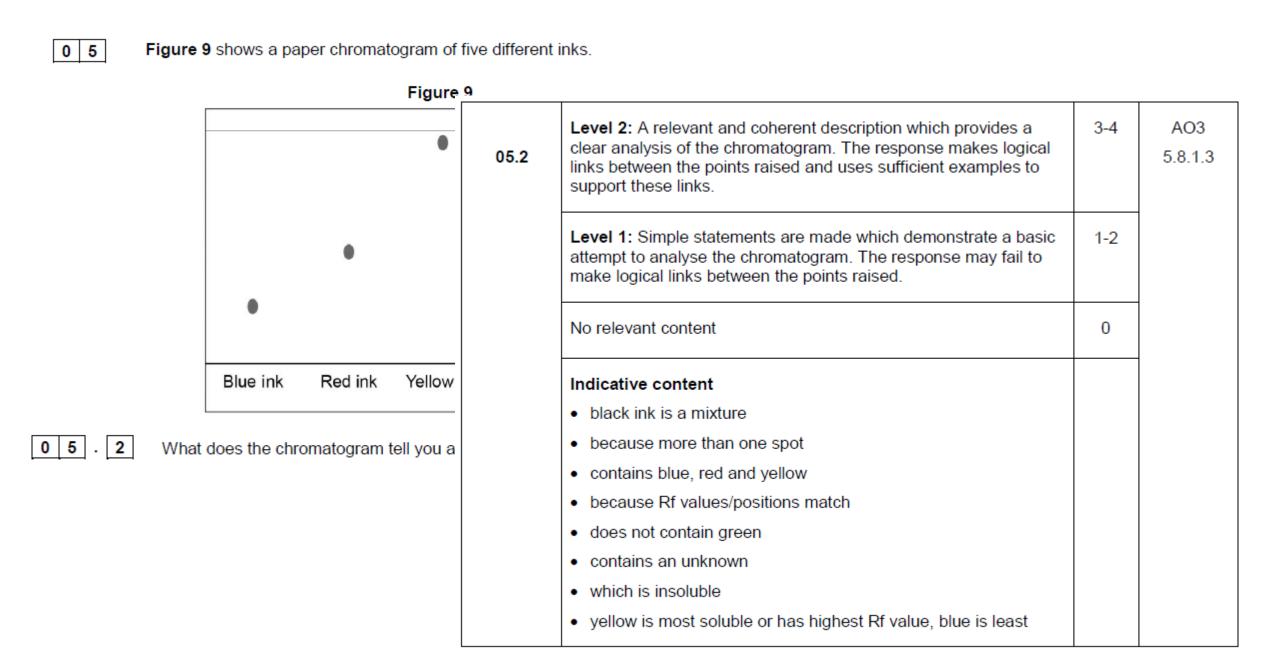
	Temperature rise in °C			
Type of oil	1	2	3	Average
Castor oil	20	19	21	20
Linseed oil	19	18	19	19
Mineral oil	21	21	21	21
Olive oil	17	17	18	
Sesame oil	23	23	20	22

0 4 . 5 Calculate the average temperature rise for olive oil.

Give your answer to an appropriate number of significant figure

[2 marks]

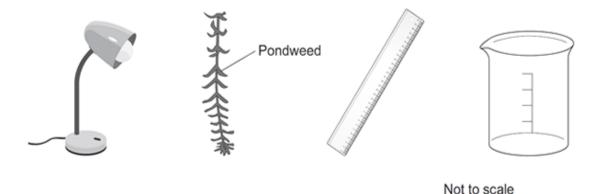
Average temperature rise = °C



Light intensity, carbon dioxide concentration and temperature are three factors that affect the rate of photosynthesis.

How would you investigate the effect of light intensity on the rate of photosynthesis?

The image below shows some of the apparatus you might use.



You should include details of:

- how you would set up the apparatus and the materials you would use
- the measurements you would make
- how you could make this a fair test.

Level 3 (5–6 marks)	A description of how the apparatus is used to measure the rate of photosynthesis at different light intensities is given. For full marks reference must be made to a control variable or repeats
Level 2 (3–4 marks)	A description of how the apparatus is set up and a description of how photosynthesis can be measured. or a description of how light intensity is varied or a control variable or any other relevant point
Level 1 (1–2 marks)	A partial description of how the apparatus is set up or a description of how light is supplied or a simple description of how photosynthesis can be measured. or a control variable
0 marks:	No relevant content.

Examples of the points made in the response:

- apparatus set up:
 - weed in water in beaker
 - light shining on beaker
- method of varying the light intensity—eg changing distance of lamp from plant
- method of controlling other variables
 - use same pond weed or same length of pond weed
 - temperature: water bath or heat screen
 - CO2
- leave sufficient time at each new light intensity before measurements taken
- method of measuring photosynthesis eg counting bubbles of gas released or collecting gas and measuring volume in a syringe
- measuring rate of photosynthesis by counting bubbles for set period of time
- repetitions

extra information:

allow information in the form of a diagram

How to write an effective method

Controls – what variables are they keeping the same?

Independent variable – what variable are they changing?

Dependent variable – what variable are they measuring?

Equipment – what equipment are they using and how will they use it?

Results – how will they ensure they can get accurate/reliable results (e.g. repeats)?

Physics Equations

This will be given to students sitting exams in Summer 2026 and 2027

Sets 1 & 2 - 35 equations Sets 3, 4 & 5 - 28 equations

They need to be able to select and use the equations

HT = Higher Tier only equations

$E_k = \frac{1}{2} \ m \ v^2$
$E_e = \frac{1}{2} k e^2$
$E_p = m g h$
$\Delta E = m \ c \ \Delta \theta$
$P = \frac{E}{t}$
$P = \frac{W}{t}$
Q = It
V = IR
P = VI
$P = I^2 R$
E = P t

Write down the equation which links density (ρ) , mass (m) and volume (V). [1 mark] The mass of the apple was 85 g. The density of the apple was 0.68 g/cm³. Calculate the volume of the apple. Give your answer in cm³. [3 marks]

The density of the compressed air is 48 kg/m ³ .					
specific heat capacity of air = 1100 J/kg °C					
The temperature of the compressed air increases from 12 °C to 27 °C.					
Calculate the energy transferred to the compressed air in the storage tank.					
Use the Physics Equations Sheet.					
Give your answer in standard form.					
[6 marks	5]				
	Question	Answers	Extra information	Mark	AO / Spec. Ref.
	06.3	$48 = \frac{\text{mass}}{5.0 \times 10^5}$		1	AO2 6.3.1.1
		mass = $48 \times 5.0 \times 10^5$		1	6.3.2.2
		mass = 24 000 000		1	6.1.1.3
			the equation density = $\frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}}$ must have been used to score subsequent marks		
		E = 24 000 000 × 1100 × 15	allow a correct substitution using their calculated value for mass	1	
		E = 396 000 000 000	allow an answer consistent with their calculated value for mass	1	
		$E = 3.96 \times 10^{11}(J)$	allow a correctly converted answer consistent with their calculated value for energy using the equation $\Delta E = m \ c \ \Delta \theta$	1	

0 6 . **3** The volume of the storage tank is 5.0×10^5 m³.

Energy transferred (in standard form) =

Equations in Science



Read

the question and underline the key quantities and units **Equation**;

write out the one you need **Substitute**

In the numbers

Calculate

(rearrange the equation if you need to) Units;

Check they are included in your answer

Evaluate;

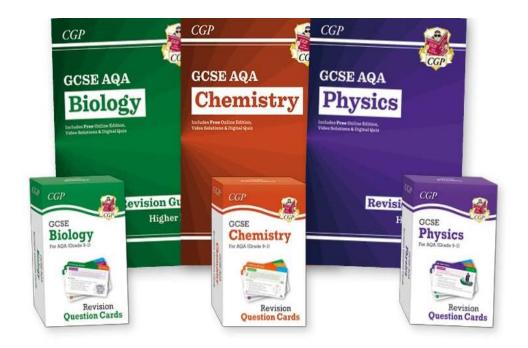
Check your answer and the significant figures

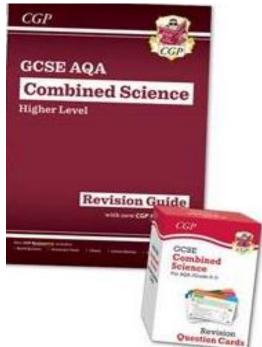
Revision resources

In preparation for exams:

- Revision guide
- Flash card sets

- Both can be ordered through school website
- Funding available for PP





Useful Revision Websites

Cognito	Physics and Maths Tutor	AQA	Seneca
FREE video lessons, quizzes, flash cards, exam practice questions, past papers	FREE Notes, flash cards, mind maps, questions and mark schemes by topic	FREE specification, past exam papers and mark schemes	FREE revision topics, quizzes and exam style questions

How to help your child revise



How to help your child revise

- Use the revision clock timing
- 2. Read/watch a video about a small section of content and do something with the information (e.g. make summary notes, flashcards, quick summary questions etc).
- 3. Practise applying your understanding (past exam questions, questions and more questions...)
- Spend time reviewing their answers using the mark scheme and examiner reports
- 5. Develop a plan for the next session what areas do I need to work on from this revision session? These will be the next focus



How to help your child revise

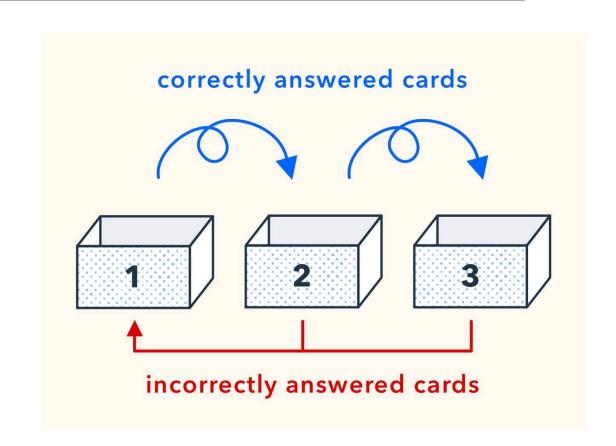
The **Leitner System** for flashcards

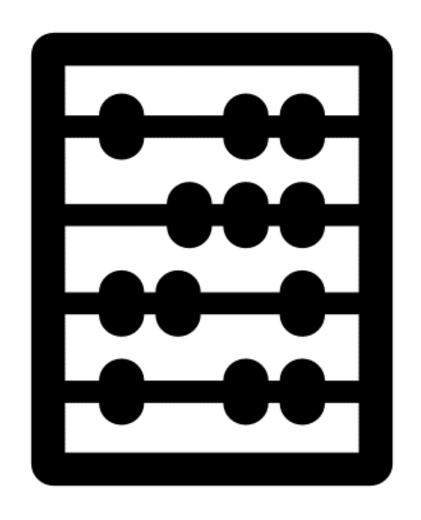
Test all cards on the first session

Those that were correct, are put into a box to be tested every other day.

Those that were incorrect, are put into a box to be tested every day

Cards can move boxes as much as they need to Prioritises more challenging cards whilst still reviewing easier material and helps to consolidate the knowledge to a students long term memory





Revising Maths

AQA Mathematics 8300

Higher Tier – grades 9-4 Foundation Tier – grades 5-1

3 exams:

Paper 1 is a non-calculator paper

Paper 2 and 3 are both calculator papers



Any topic could come up on any paper



A mix of question styles including single mark questions, multi-step problems and multiple-choice questions





The questions get more difficult as you work through the papers

What do I need?

Formula sheet – you need to learn these
Revision guide – order through school
2 Black Pens
Pencil
Ruler
Compasses
Protractor
Rubber
Scientific calculators £8.50 **
Maths sets £1.20 **
**

** available to buy from the TAHS Online Shop

How do we prepare students in maths?

Model answers in class

Regular recapping of previous work

Regular homework

Half termly assessments throughout the GCSE course - these are past or practice exam papers.

SWANS – focused feedback for improvement

Types of Questions

AO1 – Use and apply standard techniques (40%)

AO2 – Reason, interpret and communicate mathematically (30%)

AO3 – Solve problems within mathematics and in other contexts (30%)

Communicate mathematically

01

Show all workings (even if really easy)

02

Set out clearly

03

Write a final sentence for your answer

04

For geometry questions - all used rules must be stated in the correct mathematical language

Circle the equation of a line that is parallel to y = 5x - 2

[1 mark]

$$y = 2x - 5$$

$$y = 5x + 2$$

$$y = 3x - 2$$

$$y = 5x + 2$$
 $y = 3x - 2$ $y = -\frac{1}{5}x - 2$

Foundation / Higher Question — AO1

19 Toilet rolls come in packs of 4 and 9



£1.89



£3.99

Which pack is better value?
You must show your working.

[3 marks]

Foundation Question – AO2

11 Tomas ran a Lucky Dip stall.



LUCKY DIP



Tickets 50p

Tickets ending 00 win £12
Tickets ending 5 win £1.50

There were 750 tickets, numbered 1 to 750

Tomas sold all the winning tickets, and some of the losing tickets.

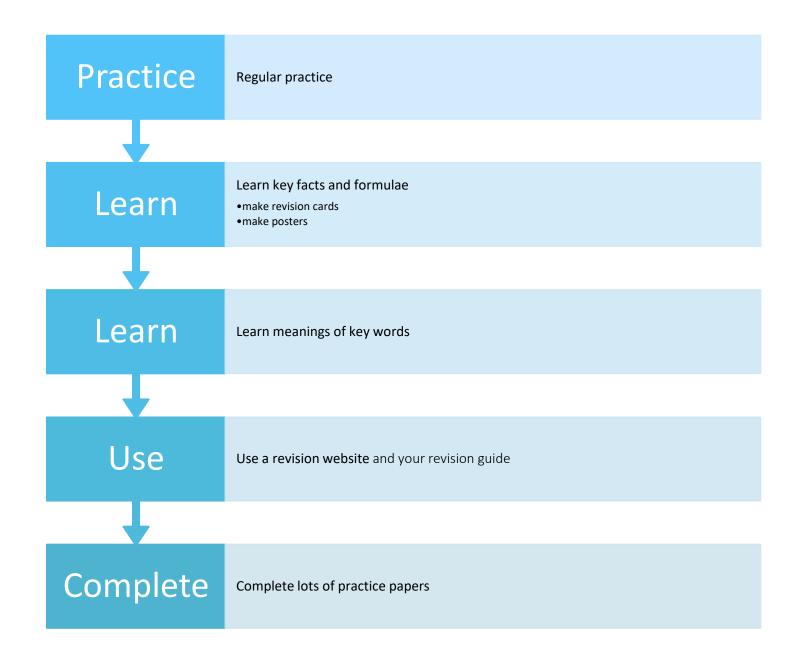
He made a profit of £163

How many losing tickets did he sell?

[6 marks]

Higher Question – AO3

How to Revise Maths



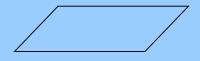
Area



= length x width

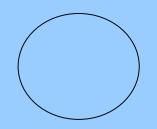


= base x height \div 2



= length x height

 $=\frac{1}{2}(a + b) h$



 $= \pi r^2$

Key Facts

SOH CAH TOA

BIDMAS a + a + a = 3a but $a \times a \times a = a^3$

Calculator buttons

square x^2 , cube x^3 square root \int , cube root $^3\int$ powers xFractions

Key Words

integer - whole number

evaluate - work out - get a number answer

construct - use a compass and ruler

factorise - put brackets in

estimate - round each number to 1 significant figure before doing the calculation

https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/

Useful Websites

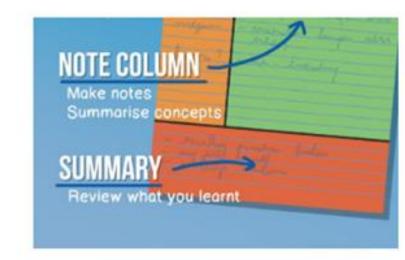
www.corbettmaths.com/5-a-day/gcse/

https://vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle/





Schedule the revision of harder topics for the morning when you will be most awake. This stops you using tiredness as an excuse for leaving the harder topics until the next day. **MANAGE YOUR TIME** Break your revision down and give yourself a certain amount of content to learn each day.



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Geography

History

Expressive Arts

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Music

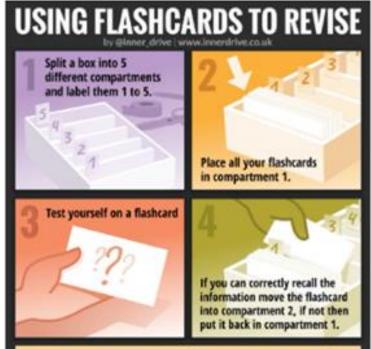
Physical Education

Religious Education

Science

Social & Health





What next?

Y11 revision support as part of the assembly programme.

Revision interventions run by departments, lunchtime, after school and occasional holidays.

Revision materials on TAHS website.

Trial Exams start Monday 17th November 2025

GCSE Exams start Monday 4th May 2026.

How Parents Can Help Improve Grades (innerdrive.co.uk)

Revision starts now







PREPARATION



HARD WORK



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