

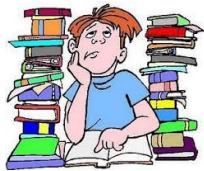


A GUIDE TO HELP YOU REVISE



THINK ABOUT THE EXAM

- Base your revision on your syllabus
- Know the structure of your exam paper (sections, marks etc.)
- Go over past exam papers - either complete or outline answers
- Practise in exam conditions - practise high speed for long periods
- Make sure you find out common mistakes by asking for the examiner's reports
- Do not be afraid to ask for help – it is a sign of maturity and strength



REVISION NOTES

- Condense and organise your lesson notes early
- Use different methods of revision: traditional A4 paper, revision cards, spider diagrams
- Use revision guides but not as a substitute for making your own notes
- Look at bite-size chunks of work
- Pick out key words, phrases, tables, quotations and formulae
- Present your notes clearly e.g. labelled, spaced out, large writing, colour coded and make it look interesting.
- Test yourself by covering up your notes and rewriting them on a piece of scrap paper
- Use your eyes ears and hands when trying to remember information
- Use mnemonics
- Use tunes or rhymes
- Be tested or test a friend – organise a quiz
- Use post it notes and stick to cupboards, mirrors, doors etc.

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REVISION TIMETABLE

- Keep a list of topics on your timetable and cross off when completed
- Draw up a timetable a week at a time – for every hour worked take a 10 minute break
- Do not be over ambitious or unrealistic with your revision timetable
- Plan difficult topics for the mornings
- Leave time for leisure activities



THE EXAM

- Do not attempt any *new* revision the night before your exam
- Be organised the night before with equipment required for the exam
- Don't wait too long outside the room before the exam
- Read the questions carefully and underline key words
- Take a few minutes to write down anything you feel you may forget
- Do not focus on people around you who are busy writing
- If you have time read over your answers