



St Robert of Newminster Catholic School and Sixth Form College



GCSE Exam Revision Guide

The aims of this booklet are to:

- Prepare you thoroughly for your GCSE examinations, coursework and controlled assessments.
- To support you in achieving your potential.
- To ensure you know the examination demands of every subject you take.
- To equip you with a wide range of revision strategies.
- To ensure you “Let Your Light Shine”





English Language GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AQA GCSE English Language.
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paper 1: Explorations in creative reading and writing.• Paper 2: Writers' viewpoints and perspectives.
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paper 1: 1hr 45 minutes. 80 marks. 50% of total grade.• Paper 2: 1hr 45 minutes. 80 marks. 50% of total grade.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The GCSE English Language course is a two year, linear curriculum.• The qualification is 100% examination based.• Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG) is awarded on Paper 1 and Paper 2.• Students will also sit a 'Non-exam Assessment': a Speaking and Listening assessment which will be completed in lessons.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/gcse/english-language-8700/assessment-resources
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paper 1: Explorations in creative reading and writing <i>and</i> Paper 2: Writers' viewpoints and perspectives.• https://getrevising.co.uk/resources (apply the GCSE and English filters)• https://studywise.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/GCSE English Language Papers 1 and 2 Revision Guide.pdf• https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zcbchv4
Link to revision guide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/secondary-books/gcse/english/english-lang Follow this link to the CGP website. The AQA Exam Practice Workbook is particularly useful.
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. GCSE Pod: This is a fantastic resource to help build on the work you do in class. There are Pods linked to the content of each paper.2. Books: Revise by using your exercise books. These are your best revision resource and contain lots of modelled writing.3. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings.4. Focus lots of attention on Question 5 (which is worth 50% of marks on both papers) and look to your lesson notes on how to construct your ideas for audience and purpose.





English Literature GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQA GCSE English Literature.
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Shakespeare and the 19th-century novel. Paper 2: Modern Texts and Poetry.
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: 1hr 45 minutes. 64 marks. 40% of total grade. Paper 2: 2hrs 15 minutes. 96 marks. 60% of total grade.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE English Literature course is a two year, linear curriculum. The qualification is 100% examination based. Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG) is awarded on Paper 1 for the <i>Macbeth</i> question and on Paper 2 for students' <i>An Inspector Calls</i> response. Literature will be primarily taught in Y10 and revised throughout Y11
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/english/gcse/english-literature-8702/assessment-resources
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Shakespeare and the 19th-century novel: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zxqncwx https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpQBaeLx2EJYRzAw9tA5W5A Paper 2: Modern Texts and Poetry : https://www.youtube.com/user/mrbruff/videos https://www.gcsepod.com/gcsepod_content/english/
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/secondary-books/gcse/english We study: <i>An Inspector Calls</i>, <i>A Christmas Carol</i>, <i>Macbeth</i> and the <i>Power and Conflict</i> poetry. The link above will direct you to each of these.
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Self-Testing: Use flash cards to cover each text. Make notes on how each text opens, the key moments of change and how and why the writer closes their text in the way they do. Learn key quotes for each text: prioritise key moments of change/ character development and climatic moments. You can read each text online for free through simply googling the title. GCSE Pod: This is a fantastic resource to help build on the work you do in class. There are Pods linked to the content of each text. Books: Revise by using your exercise books. These are your best revision resource as they contain lots of modelled writing. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Mr Bruff's YouTube channel is a useful resource for character analysis.





Maths GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OCR GCSE Mathematics.
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1 (Foundation)/Paper 4 (Higher), : Calculator. Paper 2 (F)/Paper 5 (H): Non-calculator. Paper 3 (F), Paper 6 (H): Calculator.
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each paper 90 mins, 100 marks on each. Each contributes exactly the same towards the final grade.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE Maths course is a two year, linear curriculum. The qualification is 100% examination based. Any part of the specification can be tested on any paper.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/past-paper-finder/
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hegarty Maths (school logins available – STUDENTS HAVE THESE): https://hegartymaths.com/ Corbett Maths: https://corbettmaths.com/ Maths Casts: https://www.sites.google.com/site/mathscasts/ The Maths Teacher: http://www.themathsteacher.com/ On Maths: https://www.onmaths.com/
Link to revision guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher tier: GCSE Maths OCR Revision Guide: Higher inc Online Edition, Videos & Quizzes CGP Books Foundation tier: GCSE Maths OCR Revision Guide: Foundation inc Online Edition, Videos & Quizzes CGP Books
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Targeted revision: Use e.g. feedback sheets from assessments to target key topics/areas to re-visit. Use Corbett Maths, Hegarty Maths, GCSE Pod videos to see modelling of the techniques and online worksheets to check your understanding. Hegarty Maths Fix Up 5 – log into the Hegarty website, click on the ‘Fix Up 5’ option to get individually tailored revision questions that automatically target areas you need to improve. Books: Revise by using your example books. When given a revision homework, look back at your example books for modelled examples of key areas. Past Papers: Answer questions from past GCSE papers. Practice makes perfect. Bring questions you don’t understand into school and show to your teacher so they can help you.





Biology GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQA GCSE Biology
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Cell Biology; Organisation; Infection and response; and Bioenergetics Paper 2: Homeostasis and response; Inheritance, variation and evolution; and Ecology
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: 1hr 45 minutes. 100 marks. 50% of total grade Paper 2: 1hr 45 minutes. 100 marks. 50% of total grade Summer 2022 exams in GCSE Biology will follow the same structure and format as those in summer 2019. They will assess most of the components and objectives described in the specification including required practical activities. An advance information document has been provided by AQA to allow pupils to structure and focus their revision. A copy of this can be found here.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE Biology course is a two year, linear curriculum. The qualification is 100% examination based. One of the ten required practical activities could be examined on either paper. Marks for spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG) is also awarded. You must be able to apply maths skills to biological scenarios, expressing answers in decimal form, standard form, %, fractions or ratios and to the appropriate number of significant figures. You must correctly use scientific terminology and accurately define key words.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/biology-8461/assessment-resources
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BBC Bitesize: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zpgcbk7 S-Cool Revision: https://www.s-cool.co.uk/gcse/biology GCSEScience: https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/biology-revision/gcse-aqa/
Link to revision guide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GCSE Biology AQA Revision Guide - Higher includes Online Edition, Videos & Quizzes CGP Books
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Self-Testing: Use flash cards to cover past topics. The following website is a useful resource to create your own: https://www.brainscape.com/ GCSE Pod: There are Pods linked to the content of all topics covered in both papers. Exercise books and knowledge organisers: These are your best revision resources. The Department offer the opportunity to buy revision guides. This is another useful resource that contains concise revision notes and exam practice questions complete with mark scheme. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the difference between the question styles and understand the command words used. Practice makes perfect. Make the link: understand that the skills you develop in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Maths are transferable. You will be expected to carry out calculations, calculate percentages and ratios, read values from graphs and describe relationships. You have done this all before. Do not get overwhelmed by an unfamiliar scenario!



Chemistry GCSE



Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">AQA GCSE Chemistry
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Paper 1: Atomic structure and the periodic table, Structure and bonding, Quantitative Chemistry, Chemical changes and Energy changesPaper 2: Rate and Equilibria, organic chemistry, chemical analysis, Chemistry of the atmosphere and Using resources
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Paper 1: 1hr 45 minutes. 100 marks. 50% of total gradePaper 2: 1hr 45 minutes. 100 marks. 50% of total grade
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The GCSE Chemistry course is a two year, linear curriculum.The qualification is 100% examination based.One of the eight required practical activities could be examined on either paper. Marks for spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG) is also awarded.Recall and use of chemical calculations is assessed in both papersYou will be expected to carry out complex multiple-step calculations on both papers.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/chemistry-8462/assessment-resources
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BBC Bitesize: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z8xtmnbS-Cool Revision: https://www.s-cool.co.uk/gcse/chemistryFree Science Lessons: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqbOeHaAUXw9II7sBVG3_bw
Link to revision guide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">GCSE Chemistry AQA Revision Guide - Higher includes Online Edition, Videos & Quizzes CGP Books
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Self-Testing: Use flash cards to cover past topics. The following website is a useful resource to create your own: https://www.brainscape.com/GCSE Pod: There are Pods linked to the content of all topics covered in both papers.Books: Revise by using your exercise books. These are your best revision resource. The Department offer the opportunity to buy revision guides. This is another useful resource that contains concise revision.Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the difference between the question styles and understand the command words used. Practice makes perfect.Maths skills: You need to be able to use skills learnt in maths as part of your calculations e.g. giving your answer to 2 significant figures or writing your answer in standard form.Seneca learning: These are videos and notes on the topic and tests to check your understanding. https://www.senecalearning.com/





Combined Science GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AQA GCSE Combined Science: Trilogy
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paper 1: Cell Biology; Organisation; Infection and response; and Bioenergetics.• Paper 2: Homeostasis and response; inheritance, variation, and evolution; and ecology.• Paper 3: Atomic structure and the periodic table, structure and bonding, quantitative chemistry, chemical changes, and energy changes• Paper 4: Rate and equilibria, organic chemistry, chemical analysis, chemistry of the atmosphere and using resources.• Paper 5: Energy, electricity, particles & matter, and radioactivity.• Paper 6: Forces, waves and the electromagnetic spectrum, electromagnetic induction.
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All papers are 1 hour 15 minutes.• Each paper is out of 70 marks and worth 16.7% (equally weighted)
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Combined Science course is a two-year, linear curriculum.• The qualification is 100% examination based.• You will receive two GCSE grades from the 17-grade scale using the 9 – 1 grading system.• One of the eight required practical activities could be examined on either paper. Marks for spelling, punctuation, and grammar (SPAG) is also awarded.• You will be expected to carry out complex multiple-step calculations on both papers.• The papers are equally weighted. You must do consistently well on all six papers, across all three subjects to achieve the very highest grades. Do not neglect one science because you find it harder than the others.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/combined-science-trilogy-8464/assessment-resources
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BBC Bitesize: GCSE Combined Science - AQA Trilogy - BBC Bitesize• S-Cool Revision: https://www.s-cool.co.uk/• Free Science Lessons: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqbOeHaAUXw9II7sBVG3_bw
Link to revision guide	GCSE Combined Science AQA Higher Complete Revision & Practice w/ Online Ed, Videos & Quizzes CGP Books GCSE Combined Science AQA Foundation Complete Revision & Practice w/ Online Ed, Videos & Quizzes CGP Books



What are the best ways to revise for this subject?

1. Flash cards: use flash cards to cover past topics. The following website is a useful resource to create your own: <https://www.brainscape.com/> . Particularly useful to help remember all those equations in physics!
2. GCSE Pod: there are Pods linked to the content of all topics covered in both papers and quizzes to check your understanding.
3. Books: revise using your exercise books and revision guides. Remember, little and often. Revise in chunks and interleave topics so there is more chance of retaining the knowledge.
4. Deliberate practice: spend some time reviewing one topic or section of your notes and then use past papers to see what you can recall. Do this from memory. Then compare your answers to the 'perfect' examiner mark scheme. Remember, practice makes perfect.
5. Make the link: understand that the skills you develop in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Maths are transferable. You will be expected to carry out calculations, calculate percentages and ratios, read values from graphs, and describe relationships. You have done this all before. Do not get overwhelmed by an unfamiliar scenario!





Physics GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQA GCSE Physics
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Energy, Electricity, Particles & Matter and Radioactivity Paper 2: Forces, Waves and the Electromagnetic Spectrum, Electromagnetism and Space Physics
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: 1hr 45 minutes. 100 marks. 50% of total grade Paper 2: 1hr 45 minutes. 100 marks. 50% of total grade
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE Physics course is a two-year, linear curriculum. The qualification is 100% examination based. One of the ten required practical activities could be examined on either paper. Marks for spelling, punctuation, and grammar (SPAG) is also awarded. Recall and use of some of the 23 equations you need to know is compulsory on both papers. You will be expected to carry out complex multiple-step calculations on both papers.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/physics-8463/assessment-resources
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BBC Bitesize: GCSE Physics (Single Science) - AQA - BBC Bitesize S-Cool Revision: https://www.s-cool.co.uk/gcse/physics GCSE Science: http://www.gcscience.com/gcse-physics-revision.htm
Link to revision guide	GCSE Science CGP Books
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Flash cards: use flash cards to cover past topics. The following website is a useful resource to create your own: https://www.brainscape.com/ . Particularly useful to help remember all those equations! GCSE Pod: there are Pods linked to the content of all topics covered in both papers and quizzes to check your understanding. Books: revise using your exercise books and revision guides. Remember, little and often. Revise in chunks and interleave topics so there is more chance of retaining the knowledge. Deliberate practice: spend some time reviewing one topic or section of your notes and then use past papers to see what you can recall. Do this from memory. Then compare your answers to the 'perfect' examiner mark scheme. Remember, practice makes perfect. Make the link: understand that the skills you develop in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Maths are transferable. You will be expected to carry out calculations, calculate percentages and ratios, read values from graphs, and describe relationships. You have done this all before. Do not get overwhelmed by an unfamiliar scenario!



Geography GCSE



Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Edexcel GCSE Geography B
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Paper 1: Global Geographical IssuesPaper 2: UK Geographical IssuesPaper 3: People and Environment Issues - Making Geographical Decisions
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Paper 1: 1hr 30 minutes. 94 marks. 37.5% of total grade.Paper 2: 1hr 30 minutes. 94 marks. 37.5% of total grade.Paper 3: 1hr 20 minutes. 64 marks. 25% of total grade.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The GCSE Geography course is a two year, linear curriculum.The qualification is 100% examination based.Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) is awarded in all three papers and includes the accurate use of geographical terminology.Paper 2 includes two fieldwork questions based on visits to Hamsterley Forest and Newcastle.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/geography-b-2016.html
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zsytxsghttps://www.senecalearning.com/
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Self-Testing: Use flash cards to learn the meaning of geographical terms.Seneca: This is a free online resource with tutorials and quizzes on all three papers. https://www.senecalearning.com/Books: Reduce the notes in your exercise books into bullet points or write a short answer to each lesson title – they are all questions.Knowledge organisers: Create case study cards for natural hazards, India, Mumbai and London. Include key facts and figures.Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Practice makes perfect.





History GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Edexcel GCSE History
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Paper 1: Medicine Through Time 1250- Present.Paper 2: The American West c.1835- 95 and Anglo-Saxon and Norman England c.1060- 88.Paper 3: Weimar and Nazi Germany c1918-1939.
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Paper 1: 1hr 15 minutes. 52 marks.Paper 2: 1hr 45 minutes. 64 marks.Paper 3: 1hr 20 minutes. 52 marks.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The GCSE History course is a two year, linear curriculum.The qualification is 100% examination based.Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG) is awarded on Paper 1 and Paper 3.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/history-2016.html
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Paper 1: Medicine Through Time: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zppr4xsPaper 2: The American West:<ul style="list-style-type: none">3,731 results for "american west" (getrevising.co.uk)Paper 2: Anglo-Saxons and Normans:<ul style="list-style-type: none">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zgdk4j6Paper 3: Life in Nazi Germany:<ul style="list-style-type: none">http://www.johndclare.net/Weimar1.htm
Link to revision guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none">We recommend the 'My Revision Notes' revision guides. They have versions available for all our topics and are readily available on www.amazon.co.uk
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Self-Testing: Use flash cards to cover past topics. The History Department already has lots of flash cards on the following website https://www.brainscape.com/GCSE Pod: This is a fantastic resource to help build on the work you do in class. There are Pods linked to the content of each paper.Books: Revise by using your exercise books. These are your best revision resources.Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Practice makes perfect.Create mnemonics: This will help you remember content. E.g. BRAT <u>B</u>lame-<u>R</u>eparations-<u>A</u>rmey-<u>T</u>erritory





French GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQA GCSE French
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Listening Paper 2: Speaking: Role Play, Photo Card, General Conversation Paper 3: Reading Paper 4: Writing
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1 F Tier 35 mins H Tier 45 mins 25% of total grade Paper 2 F Tier 9 mins H Tier 12 mins 25% of total grade Paper 3 F Tier 45 mins H Tier 1hr 25% of total grade Paper 4 F Tier 1hr 5 mins H Tier 1hr 20 mins 25% of total grade
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE French course is a two year, linear curriculum. The qualification is examination based in four skills. All papers are equally weighted.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/french-8658/assessment-resources
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://quizlet.com/en-gb http://languagesonline.org.uk http://www.targetlanguage.co.uk http://www.gcsepod.com/gcsepod_video/french/
Revision Guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GCSE French AQA Complete Revision & Practice (with Online Edition & Audio) CGP Books The link above will direct you to the guide we offer at a reduced rate to students.
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Make vocabulary learning fun and active: Test yourself on words using Quizlet and your teacher will track you on their leader board. Write your words on post its and stick them up round your room. Make up a silly sentence in English and include the French word you are trying to learn: 'I want to eat some lovely pomme de terre...' Love your grammar: Condense the rules for forming your present, imperfect, perfect, conditional and future tenses into notes and highlight their special endings. Fill in blank copies of your tenses timeline. Revise your infinitives like you would for your topic vocabulary. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Practice makes perfect. Involve your family and friends: Ask people at home to test you on your general conversation speaking responses. Give them the questions and they will be happy to help.





Spanish GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQA GCSE Spanish
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Listening Paper 2: Speaking: Role Play, Photo Card, General Conversation Paper 3: Reading Paper 4: Writing
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1 F Tier 35 mins H Tier 45 mins 25% of total grade Paper 2 F Tier 9 mins H Tier 12 mins 25% of total grade Paper 3 F Tier 45 mins H Tier 1hr 25% of total grade Paper 4 F Tier 1hr 5 mins H Tier 1hr 20 mins 25% of total grade
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE Spanish course is a two year, linear curriculum. The qualification is examination based in three skills. All papers are equally weighted.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/spanish-8698/assessment-resources
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://quizlet.com/en-gb http://languagesonline.org.uk http://www.targetlanguage.co.uk
Revision Guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GCSE Spanish AQA Complete Revision & Practice (with Online Edition & Audio) CGP Books The link above will direct you to the guide we offer at a reduced rate to students.
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Make vocabulary learning fun and active: Test yourself on words using Quizlet and your teacher will track you on their leader board. Write your words on post its and stick them up round your room. Make up a silly sentence in English and include the Spanish word you are trying to learn. Love your grammar: Condense the rules for forming your present, imperfect, perfect, conditional and future tenses into notes and highlight their special endings. Revise your infinitives like you would for your topic vocabulary. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Practice makes perfect. Involve your family and friends: Ask people at home to test you on your general conversation speaking responses. Give them the questions and they will be happy to help.





Religious Education GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eduqas Religious Studies Route B
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Foundational Catholic Theology Paper 2: Applied Catholic Theology Paper 3: Study of a World Faith: Judaism
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Origins and Meaning, Good and Evil- 1 hr 30 minutes Paper 2: Life and Death, Sin and Forgiveness- 1 hr 30 minutes Paper 3: Beliefs and Teachings, Practices- 1 hr
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE Religious Education course is a two year, linear curriculum. The qualification is 100% examination based. Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG) are awarded on Paper 1 and Paper 2. Paper 1 will ask for comparison of religious belief on c questions, and non-religious belief on the d question in Origins and Meaning.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/qualification-resources.html?subject=ReligiousStudies&level=GCSE&pastpaper=true
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1 and Paper 2: Catholic Theology https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zq2ysrd Paper 3: Study of a World Faith: Judaism https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/ztrqxnrb Support for all three of the papers can be found on the school website: www.strobertofnewminster.co.uk Access resources through the VLE / enter your username and password / departments / religious studies / years / Eduqas GCSE
Link to revision guide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> My Revision Notes WJEC Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies Route B: Amazon.co.uk: Barron, Andrew: 9781510418356: Books
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Self-Testing: Use flash cards to cover past topics. There are already lots of flash cards for the course on the following website: https://www.brainscape.com/ GCSE Pod: This is a good resource to help build on the work you do in class. There are Pods linked to most of the content of each paper. Seneca Learning: An excellent resource that covers the content of the course. Sign up here: https://www.senecalearning.com/ Books: Revise by using your exercise books and revision booklets. These are your best revision resource. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Practice makes perfect.





Physical Education GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQA GCSE PE
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Human Body & Movement in Sport Paper 2: Socio Cultural Influences in Sport Non-Examined Assessment (NEA): 3 practical activities, plus an evaluative assignment on their chosen sport.
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: 1hr 15 minutes. 78 marks. 30% of total grade. Paper 2: 1hr 15 minutes. 78 marks. 30% of total grade. Non-Examined Assessment (NEA): 40% of total grade.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE PE course is a two year, linear curriculum. The qualification is 60% examination based & 40% NEA. For the assessment of practical activities, you need to be assessed in 3 activities. Video evidence is required if the activity is either done off school site or the participant competes at a higher level than school/club.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/physical-education/gcse/physical-education-4890/past-papers-and-mark-schemes/
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BBC Bite size: http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/znyb4wx Revision World: http://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision/pe-physical-education/aqa-gcse-physical-education-pe Teach PE: http://www.teachpe.com/gcse/exams.php
Link to revision guide:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pearson REVISE AQA GCSE (9-1) Physical Education Revision Guide: for home learning, 2022 and 2023 assessments and exams (REVISE AQA GCSE PE 2016) : Simister, Jan: Amazon.co.uk: Books Revise AQA GCSE (9-1) Physical Education Revision Guide: includes online edition - The AQA Bookshop
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Self-Testing: Make mini quizzes and self-test on each topic you have studied. Self-Testing Use Flash cards to cover past topics and mix up the content. Mind Maps: Create revision maps on key topics with suitable examples Answer individual questions from past papers and check the answers. Create mnemonics to help you remember content. Revise by using the exam board guide books, department revision materials and use your books!





Art and Design GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQA GCSE Art and Design
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Externally Set Assignment: 40% of the total marks
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Externally Set Assignment: paper handed out 1st January 2023 Students respond to starting point from January until April. 10hr examination to take place April 2023 (over 2 days) to produce outcomes in response to starting points set by AQA.
Key Information:	<p>Component 1: Portfolio of Work (60% of the total marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Themes/starting points set by the centre. The portfolio of work is selected from work undertaken during the course of study and must include more than <u>one</u> project. A response to all assessment objectives is required in the portfolio as a whole. Work presented is marked by the centre and moderated by AQA. <p>Component 2: Externally Set Assignment (40% of the total marks)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Themes/starting points set by AQA. Work presented is marked by the centre and moderated by AQA.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/art-and-design
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	www.studentartguide.com http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/art/ http://www.pinterest.com https://www.balticmill.com/ http://www.twmuseums.org.uk/laing-art-gallery.html http://www.twmuseums.org.uk/shipley-art-gallery.html
Link to revision guide	AQA GCSE Art and Design: Student Handbook by Martin Piercy, Anne Stewart, Frank Barnes, Mike Ager: Good Paperback (2009) WeBuyBooks (abebooks.co.uk)
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> GCSE Pod: This is a fantastic resource to help build on the work you do in class. YouTube tutorials to explore/practice specialism in more depth. Tracking booklet flow map will allow you to structure the development of an idea through to creation. Observe display in AR3/AR4 to ensure you have addressed each point on assessment checklist (also a good visual resource to see what your sketchbook should look like)





Business GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Edexcel GCSE Business 9-1
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Investigating small business Paper 2: Building a business
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: 1hr 30 minutes. 90 marks. 50% of total grade. Paper 2: 1hr 30 minutes. 90 marks. 50% of total grade.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE Business course is a two year, linear curriculum. The qualification is 100% examination based. Each paper follows the same structure with three sections. Section A in each paper has no case study whereas section B and C each feature case studies and questions need to be answered in context. Students will require a scientific calculator to complete the exam.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/business-2017.coursematerials.html#filterQuery=category:Pearson-UK:Category%2FSpecification-and-sample-assessments
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seneca Learning: https://app.senecalearning.com/classroom/course/e7efbfa0-222a-11e8-9249-b5781fc38111 GCSE Pod Tutor2u http://tutor2u.net/business GCSE Business Bitesize YouTube Channel: Taking the Biz YouTube Channel: BizConSesh
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> GCSE Pod: This is a fantastic resource to help build on the work you do in class. There are Pods linked to the content of each paper. Books: Revise by using your exercise books. These are your best revision resource. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Practice makes perfect. Use the YouTube channels mentioned above to recover material you are unsure on. On Microsoft Teams- each class has a revision folder with quizzes, past papers, worksheets to aid with revision There is a Pearson Revise App for your phone (free to download and use) it tests you on key knowledge.



BTEC Tech Award Digital IT



Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Edexcel BTEC Tech Award Digital IT
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Component 3: Effective Digital Working Practices
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Component 3: 1hr 30 minutes. 60 marks. 40% of total grade.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The BTEC Tech Award in Digital IT course is a two year, modular curriculum.The qualification is 40% examination based.60% of the course is Assignment based practical coursework.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-tech-awards/digital-information-technology/coursematerials.html#filterQuery=category:Pearson-UK:Category%2FExternal-assessments
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Component 3 – Effective Digital Working Practiceshttps://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zxckjxshttps://www.knowitallninja.com
Link to revision guide.	https://www.pearsonschoolsandfecolleges.co.uk/fe-vocational/subjects/computer-science-and-ict/btec-tech-award-in-digital-information-technology/revise-btec-tech-award-digital-information-technology-revision-guide-1
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Books: Revise by using your OneNote Notebooks, Homework tasks and revision guide. These are your best revision resource.BBC Bitesize - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zxckjxs





Computer Science GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OCR GCSE Computer Science (9-1)
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Computer Systems. Paper 2: Computational thinking, algorithms and programming.
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: 1hr 30 minutes. 80 marks. 50% of total grade. Paper 2: 1hr 30 minutes. 80 marks. 50% of total grade.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE Computer Science course is a two year, linear curriculum. The qualification is 100% examination based. There is an opportunity to practice practical programming skills throughout Paper 2 theory lessons.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<p>https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse/computer-science-j276-from-2016/assessment/</p>
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: Computer Systems and Paper 2: Computational thinking, algorithms and programming: www.senecalearning.com Isaac Computer Science GCSE Level: https://isaaccomputerscience.org/topics/gcse?examBoard=all&stage=all#ocr
Link to revision guide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/secondary-books/gcse/computer-science/cor42-gcse-computer-science-ocr-revision?c=8585087
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Self-Testing: Use www.senecalearning.com to review all of the course content and test yourself. GCSE Pod: This is a fantastic resource to help build on the work you do in class. There are Pods linked to the content of each paper. Books: Revise by using your OneNote Notebooks and revision guides. These are your best revision resource. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Practice makes perfect. Create mnemonics: This will help you remember content. E.g. MUMPS – <u>M</u>emory management, <u>U</u>ser Interface, <u>M</u>ulti-Tasking, <u>P</u>eripherals and <u>S</u>ecurity. YouTube exam walkthroughs – Watch walk-throughs of the exam papers from 2016 onwards to get ideas how to answer different types of questions.





Health and Social Care

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CACHE
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 Paper – 90 minutes
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scenario based synoptic paper. Short answer questions• First sitting in February of Y11• Resit opportunity in June of Year 11
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Health and Social Care exam is worth 45% of the overall qualification
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• https://www.qualhub.co.uk/qualification-search/qualification-detail/ncfe-cache-level-2-technical-award-in-health-and-social-care-562
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Self-Testing: Use flash cards to cover past topics. There are Brainscape decks for each unit:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DJ(Cache) Introduction to the HSC sector• DJ(Cache) Human growth and development• DJ(Cache) Professional practice2. Books: Revise by using your exercise books. These are your best revision resource. There is a different coloured exercise book for each unit3. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Practice makes perfect.
Link to revision guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No revision guide for this course
Coursework Management.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coursework tasks restart after exam in February• Remember to hit all deadlines• Use examples to back up your points• Follow the task guidance closely• When your work is marked, make sure you make all the changes you've been instructed to





Food Preparation and Nutrition GCSE

Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQA
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Paper – Food Preparation and Nutrition
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: 1hr 45 minutes. Section A - multiple choice consisting of 20 marks. Section B - 5 questions each with a number of sub questions consisting of 80 marks.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The GCSE Food preparation and nutrition course is a two year course The written examination contributes 50% to the overall GCSE level Pupils complete two non-exam assessment tasks NEA 1 is a scientific investigation task with 15% weighting and includes a written portfolio of 1500-2000 words. NEA 2 is a food investigation task with 35% weighting, this task consists of a written portfolio as well as a three-hour practical assessment in which pupils should make and present three products.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/food/gcse/food-preparation-and-nutrition-8585/assessment-resources
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Written examination - https://illuminate.digital/aqafood/ NEA Tasks - https://illuminate.digital/aqafood/ Nutrition Program : Home : by Jenny Ridgwell Free Homework & Revision for A Level, GCSE, KS3 & KS2 (senecalearning.com) <p>Pupils will be given log in details for both websites.</p>
Link to revision guide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQA Revision Guide AQA Revision and Practice Questions\\FS03\\Staff\$\\Teaching & Learning\\KS4 Revision Information\\13 Food Technology\\AQA Revision guide
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Self-Testing: Use flash cards to cover past topics. GCSE Pod: This is a fantastic resource to help build on the work you do in class. There are Pods linked to the content of each paper. Books: complete the homework tasks each week on prior learning and use these as a revision resource. Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Make sure you know the question types and timings. Practice makes perfect. Complete the online practise questions at the end of each section in the illuminate digital textbook. Check the teams page for a copy of your revision tracker if you misplace yours. Don't cram all your revision to the end. It will overload your memory. You will not learn effectively revising this way. Use Seneca learning and complete the tests on each topic.





Key Stage 4 Engineering

OCR Level 1/Level 2 Cambridge National in Engineering Design J822

Engineering Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Edexcel BTEC Engineering Tech Award
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper 1: R038 – Principles of engineering design.
Structure of Examination Papers:	<p>The R038 unit is assessed by an exam. The exam is 1 hour 15 minutes. It has two Sections — Section A and Section B.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Section A has 10 marks Section B has 60 marks The exam has 70 marks in total
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The qualification is made up of three components: Unit R039: Internally Assessed Assignments (30% of total grade) Unit R040: Internally Assessed Assignments (30% of total grade) Unit R038: Externally Assessed Exam Paper (40% of total grade) R038 Exam Learning Aims: LA1: Designing processes. LA2: Design requirements. LA3: Communicating design outcomes. LA4: Evaluating design ideas.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/cambridge-nationals/engineering-design-level-1-2-j822/assessment/
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<p>A guide to OCR external assessment J822: https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/616906-exploring-our-exams-a-guide-to-our-sample-assessment-material.pdf Sample assessment: https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/610827-principles-of-engineering-design.pdf Sample answers: https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/648184-principles-of-engineering-design.pdf Understanding the exam: https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/612302-understanding-the-assessment-examined-and-moderated.pdf A student guide to internal assessments: https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/620496-student-guide-to-nea-assignments.pdf</p>
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<p>Student Book: Level 1/Level 2 Cambridge National in Engineering Design (J822) Publisher: Hodder Education Author: Alex Reynolds ISBN: 9781398350335</p>



Engineering BTEC Level 2 Tech Award



Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Edexcel BTEC Engineering Tech Award
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paper 1: Component 3: Responding to an Engineering Brief Part 1• Paper 2: Component 3: Responding to an Engineering Brief Part 2
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paper 1: 2hrs. 30 marks. 20% of total grade.• Paper 2: 1hr 30 minutes. 30 marks. 20% of total grade.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The qualification is made up of three components: Component 1: Internally Assessed Assignments (30% of total grade) Component 2: Internally Assessed Assignments (30% of total grade) Component 3: Externally Assessed Exam Papers (40% of total grade)• Component 3 Learning Aims: AO1: Understand how to respond to an engineering brief. AO2: Select skills and techniques in response to an engineering brief. AO3: Apply skills and techniques in response to an engineering brief. AO4: Evaluate and review the outcomes of the application of skills and techniques in response to an engineering brief.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-tech-awards/engineering.coursematerials.html#filterQuery=category:Pearson-UK:Category%2FSpecification-and-sample-assessments
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<p>http://www.studentworldonline.com/article/top-online-resources-for-engineering-students/938/ - Top 10 student Engineering websites.</p> <p>http://www.technologystudent.com/despro_fish/vid_channel2.html - Revision Video Channel.</p>
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<p>Revision Book: Revise BTEC Tech Award Engineering Revision Guide Publisher: Pearson Author: Andrew Buckenham ISBN: 9781292272726</p> <p>Student Book: BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Tech Award Engineering Student Book Publisher: Pearson Author: Simon Goulden ISBN: 9781292218922</p>



Drama GCSE



Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	AQA GCSE Drama (2016)
Structure of Examination Papers:	<p><u>Component 1: Understanding drama</u></p> <p>What's assessed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Knowledge and understanding of drama and theatre• Study of one set play from a choice of nine• Analysis and evaluation of the work of live theatre makers <p>How it's assessed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Written exam: 1 hour and 45 minutes• Open book• 80 marks• 40% of GCSE <p>Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Section A: multiple choice (4 marks)• Section B: four questions on a given extract from the set play chosen (44 marks)• Section C: one question (from a choice) on the work of theatre makers in a single live theatre production (32 marks) <p><u>Component 2: Devising drama (practical)</u></p> <p>What's assessed</p> <p>Process of creating devised drama Performance of devised drama (students may contribute as performer or designer) Analysis and evaluation of own work</p> <p>How it's assessed</p> <p>Devising log (60 marks) Devised performance (20 marks) 80 marks in total 40% of GCSE</p> <p>This component is marked by teachers and moderated by AQA.</p> <p><u>Component 3: Texts in practice (practical)</u></p> <p>What's assessed</p> <p>Performance of two extracts from one play Free choice of play but it must contrast with the set play chosen for Component 1</p> <p>How it's assessed</p> <p>Performance of Extract 1 (20 marks) and Extract 2 (20 marks) 40 marks in total 20% of GCSE This component is marked by AQA.</p>
Where could I find past papers and	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/drama/gcse/drama-8261/assessment-resources?f.Sub-category%7CF=Sample+papers+and+mark+schemes



mark schemes?	
Link to revision guide.	<p>https://www.amazon.co.uk/dp/1912820501/ref=sspa_dk_detail_0?psc=1&pd_rd_i=1912820501&pd_rd_w=rxe6g&content-id=amzn1.sym.8d91a06c-52c8-441e-afa4-963e53268566&pf_rd_p=8d91a06c-52c8-441e-afa4-963e53268566&pf_rd_r=1X8Q0PXEPFH6JSPVNSH&pd_rd_wg=baPk8&pd_rd_r=12a85ed4-7022-47d0-869b-b65a3838f04f&s=books&sp_csd=d2lkZ2V0TmFtZT1zcF9kZXRhYWw</p> <p>https://www.amazon.co.uk/Grade-GCSE-Drama-Revision-Guide/dp/1782949623/ref=sr_1_1?crid=3KVZB9WXEUWFM&keywords=aqa+GCSE+Drama+revision&qid=1663694214&sprefix=aqa+gcse+drama+revision%2Caps%2C108&sr=8-1</p>
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a set of flashcards to revise all the terminology we use in the course. • Take time to prepare carefully for mock exams; areas for development can then be identified and addressed. • Books: Revise from exercise books and folders. These are excellent revision resources. • Past Papers: Answer individual questions from past GCSE papers. Revise question types and timings.



Music GCSE



Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pearson Edexcel GCSE Music (2016)
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1 – Performing. Students play a solo piece of music and an ensemble piece lasting around 4 minutes in total. The student's peripatetic/private teacher will offer guidance and appropriate tuition. The school can offer tuition and support for all instruments as all our teachers understand the GCSE grading criteria for this unit. Controlled Assessment 30% (recordings take place in the school recording studio for this unit) Unit 2 – Composition. Students compose two pieces of music lasting at least 3 minutes in total. Students are given both a free role in their choice of composition and a brief set by the exam board. Controlled Assessment 30% (students use Noteflight in the classroom for this unit) Unit 3 - Listening and Understanding. A series of 8 Set Works are studied and carefully analysed with a focus on stylistic traits and relevant vocabulary to expand the listening horizons and enhance the music appreciation of the student. Written exam 40% (this is a 1 hour and 45-minute exam under strict examination conditions)
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/exams/past-papers.html
Link to revision guide.	https://www.amazon.co.uk/Edexcel-GCSE-Music-Revision-Guide/dp/1785581686/ref=sr_1_7?dchild=1&keywords=edexcel+gcse+music&qid=1604914861&s=books&sr=1-7 https://www.amazon.co.uk/Edexcel-GCSE-Music-Listening-Tests/dp/1785581678 https://www.amazon.co.uk/Edexcel-GCSE-Music-Student-Book/dp/1292123141/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=edexcel+gcse+music&qid=1604914809&s=books&sr=1-1
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practice, Practice, and Practice. A steady rehearsal routine and professional instrumental teachers to help prepare for the performance part of the course is essential. Use the revision materials booklet, which includes everything required to revise Create a set of flashcards to revise all the terminology we use in the course Take time to prepare carefully for mock exams; areas for development can then be identified and addressed. Revise the key features of each Set Work, such as instrumental line-up and changes of key. Use the channels on Teams to check through work covered in lessons and access digital resources. There is a wealth of digital resources for revision.



GCSE D&T - Product Design



Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AQA Design and Technology
Number of Examination Papers:	Paper 1 2 hours 50% of Overall Grade
Structure of Examination Papers:	<p>The paper is split into three sections:</p> <p>Section A – Core technical principles (20 marks) A mixture of multiple choice and short answer questions assessing a breadth of technical knowledge and understanding.</p> <p>Section B – Specialist technical principles (30 marks) Several short answer questions (2–5 marks) and one extended response to assess a more in depth knowledge of technical principles.</p> <p>Section C – Designing and making principles (50 marks) A mixture of short answer and extended response questions.</p>
Key Information:	<p>The subject content has been split into three sections as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Core technical principles Specialist technical principles Designing and making principles <p>All three are assessed in the examination. The specialist material the pupils have been learning is timber and board. The must know in relation to timber and board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> selection of materials or components forces and stresses ecological and social footprint sources and origins using and working with materials stock forms, types and sizes scales of production specialist techniques and processes surface treatments and finishes. <p>Students must also demonstrate mathematical and scientific knowledge and understanding, in relation to design and technology.</p>
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Past papers and mark schemes will be uploaded to MS Teams to be viewed at your convenience. Papers are also available from the AQA Website
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health and Safety Issues : https://www.hse.gov.uk/ Materials and Processes: Search for 'How it's made' Videos Follow this link to BBC online revision material: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zvg4d2p
Link to revision guide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 9-1 GCSE Design & Technology AQA Revision Guide CGP Books Design & Technology GCSE Revision Guide: Pocket Posters - Daydream Education <p>(Copies of these guides are being made available to students in lessons)</p>
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It's best to make yourself 'flash/revision cards' then test yourself the key facts – always focus on 5 points for short/medium type answers. Practice answering past examination questions, then check your answers with the mark scheme. Use the revision guide your teacher has provided.



Eduqas Tech Award in Construction- Year 10



Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eduqas
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1 1hr 30mins on screen test
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The paper is 80 marks. Students will produce short and extended answers based around applied situations. Learners are required to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of eight specified areas of content, all of which are critical to the industry. Unit 1 introduces learners to the built environment and provides them with the opportunity to develop skills, knowledge and understanding in identifying, explaining and evaluating different ideas and concepts of the built environment. Learners will explore a range of profession and trade roles, and some of the different structures and buildings of the built environment
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This unit introduces learners to the construction sector and the type of professional and trade roles and activity that is undertaken. The learner will explore the different types of buildings and structures that the built environment forms. Sustainability and the impact of the built environment on the local community is explored along with reduction measures that can be employed. Areas of content: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The sector The built environment life cycle Types of building and structure Technologies and materials Building structures and forms Sustainable construction methods Trades, employment and careers Health and safety
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a new course there are currently no past papers. Sample assessment Papers are available from the Eduqas website
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health and Safety Issues : https://www.hse.gov.uk/ Materials and Processes: Search for 'How it's made' Videos Follow this link to BBC online revision material and careers advice: Jobs in construction - BBC Bitesize
Link to revision guide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a new course the revision guide is in development. A legacy revision guide (from the old course) can be found here: WJEC Construction - Revision Guide Teaching Resources (tes.com)
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It's best to make yourself 'flash/revision cards' then test yourself the key facts – always focus on 5 points for short/medium type answers. Practice answering past examination questions, then check your answers with the mark scheme. Use the revision guide your teacher has provided (this will be made available once it has been published by the exam board)



BTEC First Construction-Year 11



Examination and Revision Information

Examination Board:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pearson (BTEC)
Number of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Unit 1: Construction Technology• 1hr 15mins
Structure of Examination Papers:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The paper is 60 marks.• This unit is assessed externally using a paper-based exam marked by Pearson. The assessment must be taken by the learner under examination conditions.• All learners can re-sit the external assessment once.• All questions in the exam paper are compulsory. There will be different types of objective, short answer and extended writing questions. Learners will need to be able to demonstrate the use of sketching techniques.
Key Information:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• In this unit learners will: A understand the structural performance required for low-rise construction B explore how sub-structures are constructed C explore how superstructures are constructed.• This unit will initially examine the different forms of construction that can be used for low-rise (up to 5.2 metres in height) offices, retail units and homes. Learners will examine the modern methods of construction that rely heavily on offsite prefabrication, which benefits the environment sustainably.• Learners will develop a detailed understanding of how walls, floors and roofs are constructed, and will be able to name each component part, along with its functions. This will change with each different type of construction method that can be employed in a building.
Where could I find past papers and mark schemes?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Past Papers are available from the Pearson website and will also be shared via Teams by class teachers.
What are the best websites to help me revise this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health and Safety Issues : https://www.hse.gov.uk/• Materials and Processes: Search for 'How it's made' Videos• Follow this link to BBC online revision material and careers advice: Jobs in construction - BBC Bitesize
Link to revision guide.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• As a predominantly coursework based subject BTEC Construction does not have a revision guide, but revision resources will be provided by the class teacher.• Online revision resources can be found here: BTEC Construction Revision Flashcards Quizlet
What are the best ways to revise for this subject?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• It's best to make yourself 'flash/revision cards' then test yourself the key facts – always focus on 5 points for short/medium type answers.• Practice answering past examination questions, then check your answers with the mark scheme.• Use the revision information your teacher has provided

