

Revision Techniques

Below are some suggestions of how students can be supported in the approach to exams. This can be used as a guide on how to revise and prepare for the assessment/exams and also suggests tips on how parents/carers can get involved.

Revision Technique	Top Tips
Review/Develop your revision timetable – ensure you build in time for YOU!	Make sure you have ALL of your deadlines included in the timetable. Collect the days and times of ALL revision/sessions for ALL of the subjects you study.
Visit and register with each exam board website – make sure you go to the student section of each site and spend time investigating what’s available.	Prioritise your subjects – which are you struggling with the most? Grade them out of ten for how confident you feel about each subject. Have you spoken to your teacher?
Write out 10 key questions on specific topics for each subject/topic. Get someone to work with you and test you until you get them all right – then write another 10!	Search you tube and other sites for good quality podcasts/video clips you can download – check they are appropriate with your teacher.
For each subject/topic make a list of the key words you need to know. Don’t write the ones you know just the ones you struggle with. Have them somewhere that is easy to see and look at. Rather than focusing on all subjects try doing two at a time.	Check you have the equipment that you need for assessments/exams. If you have anything new make sure you know how it works and that it’s comfortable to use.
Create a set of memory cards for a topic you are concerned about. Write a question on the front and the answer on the back. Work through and then get someone to test you.	Collect the past papers that you have done and cut out the questions you got wrong – try them again – give them to your teacher to check.
Create mind maps of key topics/events sections of work. Colour code to help identify different areas/sections. Put these on your wall so they are a constant reminder.	Make sure you know what a mark scheme in an exam paper is telling you and what the examiner is expecting from an answer – check your understanding with your teacher.

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