

The Oaka Guide to Revision That Works!



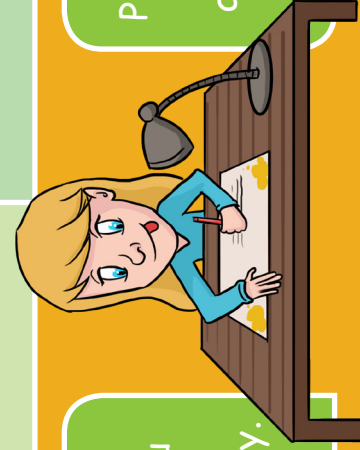
Fresh Focus on Learning

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Revision Timetable

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Don't forget to put in: Free time, sport, school, tv time, meals and days out.

Well done! Give yourself a BIG tick!

If

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

is equal to

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

then...

Luck

$$L + U + C + K \\ (12 + 21 + 3 + 11) = 47\%$$

Hard Work & Knowledge

$$H + A + R + D + W + O + R + K \\ (8 + 1 + 18 + 4 + 23 + 15 + 18 + 11) = 98\%$$
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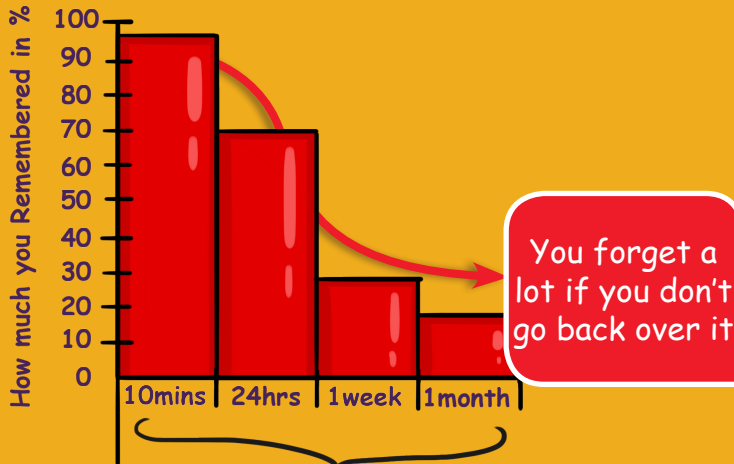
Attitude

$$A + T + T + I + T + U + D + E \\ (1 + 20 + 20 + 9 + 20 + 21 + 4 + 5) = 100\%$$

The 'Forgetting Curve'

Back in 1885 Professor Ebbinghaus looked at how our memory works. He found that we forget things very fast unless we go back over them lots of times. This could explain why your revision does (or doesn't) work!

Learning in Class



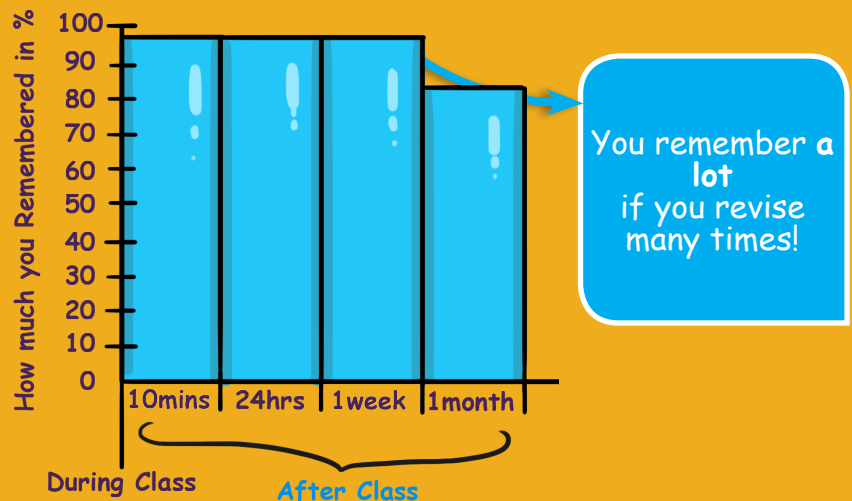
Revising Once



Revising a few times



Revising at least times 4 times



So, you can see that going through a topic once is NOT ENOUGH! You need to learn it and then revise many times.

Oaka Revision Tips

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Get Going!

- The best way to revise is to **get on with it!**
- The sooner you start, the less stressful it will be.



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Be Positive

Believe in yourself.

- I **can** do this!
- I **can** achieve this!
- I will do well because I have worked hard!



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Make a Revision Timetable

- Work out how many topics you need to revise.
- Decide which are your weaker subjects. Give them more time.

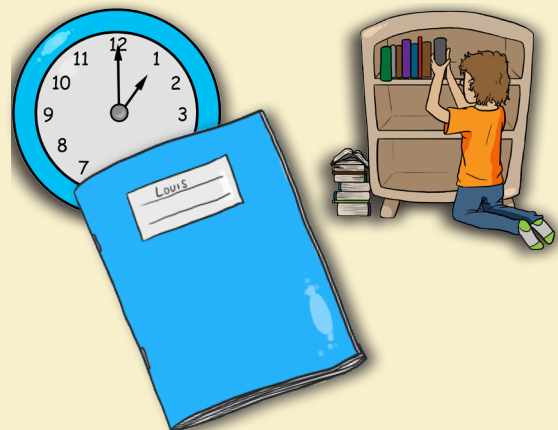


- Photocopy the timetable on the inside cover to give you as many weeks as you need. Stick to your timetable!

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Revise in Short Sessions

- Do 20 minutes of **effective revision** (up to Yr 8) and up to 30 minutes if you are older.
- Then take a short break.



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Practice Past Papers

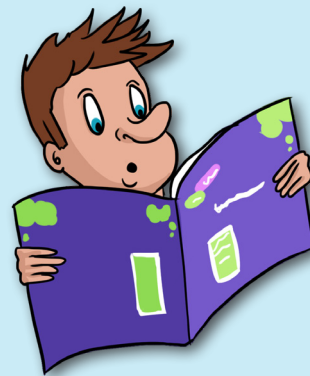
- Do **LOTS** of them! You can download many from the internet.
- This will show what you **don't** know.
- You can then see **what you need to work on.**



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Revise and Review

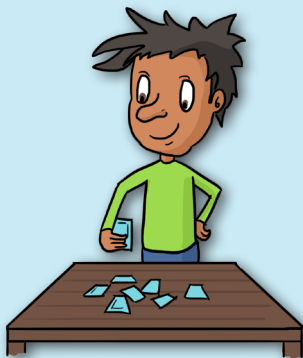
- Go back and **review your revision a lot.**
- Use flashcards as a fun quiz.
- Test yourself after 1 day, after 1 week, after 1 month.



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Flashcards

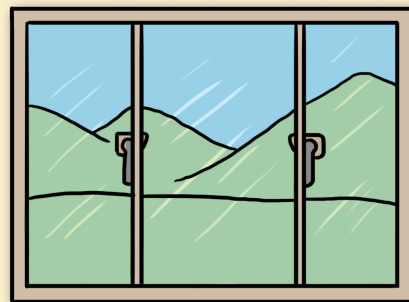
- Use your **flashcards or memory maps** of each topic for **quick reviews** for your revision.
- Make notes shorter and shorter.
- End up with key points or words.



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When will you Revise?

- Are you a morning person?
- If you are not good in the mornings, start later on in the day.
- **But**, make sure you do it!



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Where to Revise?

- Find a quiet, warm space.
- Well lit.
- Use a clock to time your sessions.



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The Big No!

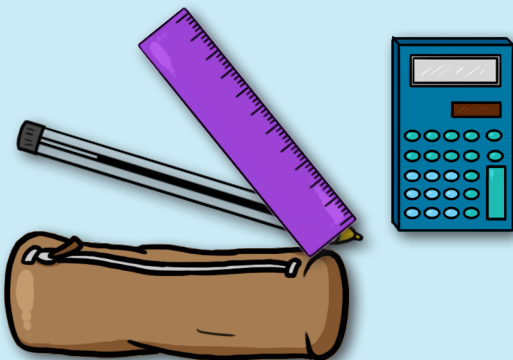
- No phones or social media! They're for your free time.



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Be Organised

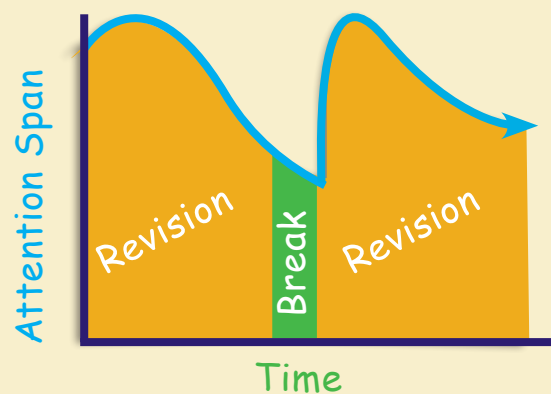
- Get all the equipment you need ready before you start.
- Keep it all in one place.



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Take Regular Breaks

- Have regular breaks.
- Your brain will remember more if you rest it.

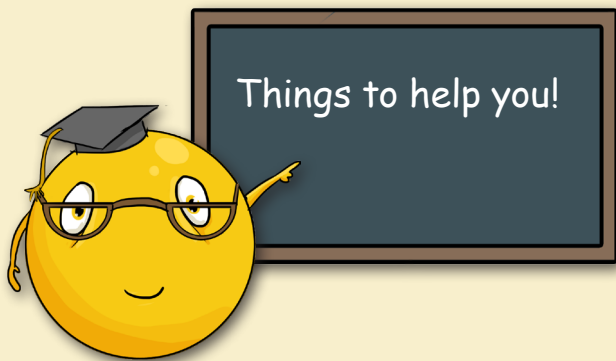


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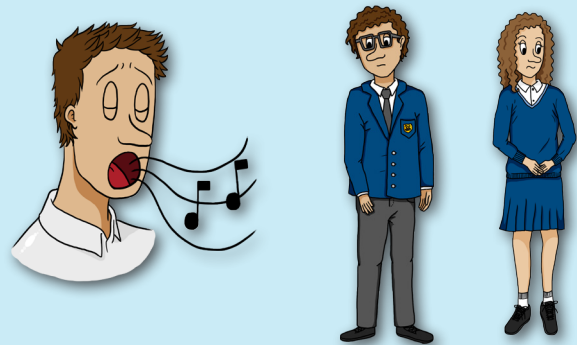
You might like to make...

- Mind Maps
- Charts
- Cartoons
- Spider Diagrams



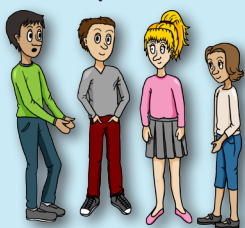
14 Or learn by listening...

- Record notes.
- Say keywords out loud.
- Talk your revision through with someone.
- Get someone to test you.



15 Or learn by doing...

- Make a model.
- Act out or role play.
- Draw and labelling.
- Create a story.
- Make flashcards
- Walk around and talk about the topic.



16 Tick It Off!

- Test yourself on each topic.
- Keep a **list of topics** and **tick them off**. You will feel great as you see how much you have done



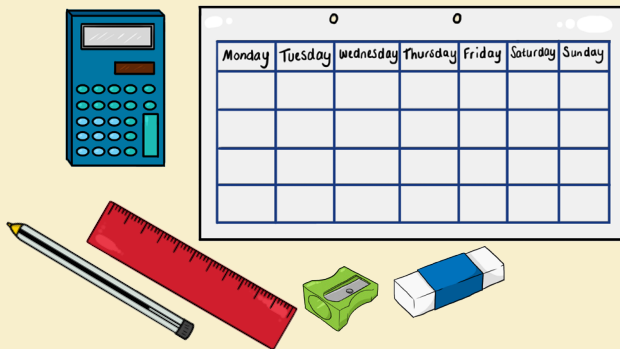
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Before The Exam

Have you got everything?

- Pens, ink, pencils, sharpener, ruler, rubber, calculator.
- Clear pencil case.
- Where is your exam?
- What time is it?



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In The Exam

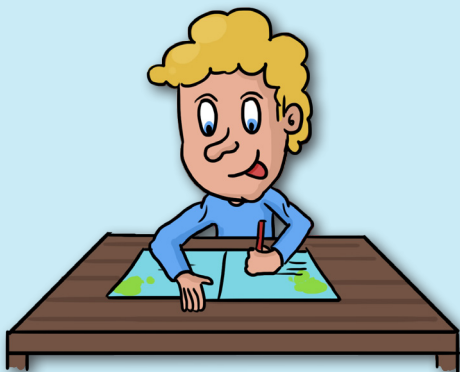
- Highlight **key words** in the questions.
- This will help you to **stay on track**.

Key Words

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Get Those Marks!

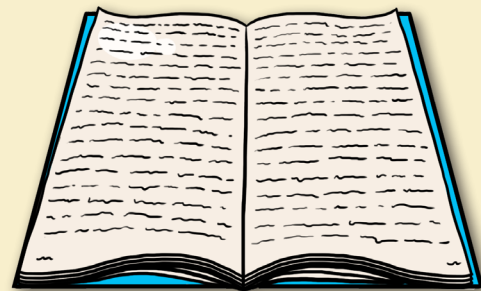
- If you can, try to answer the questions with **high marks first**.
- You don't want to run out of time and have only answered the short questions.



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Make Your Point.

- If a question is 2 marks, then you need to make 2 points.
- If a question is 6 marks, then you need to **make more points**.

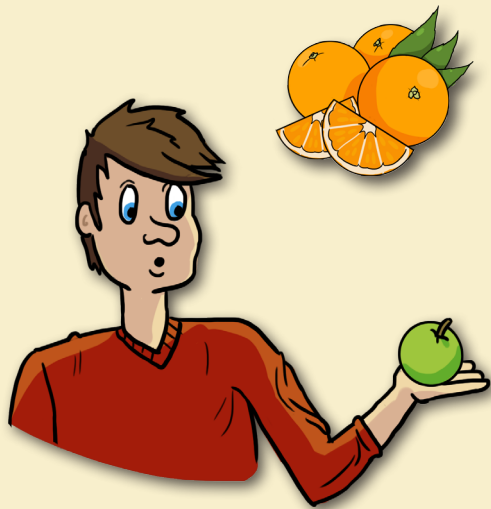


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Food and Drink

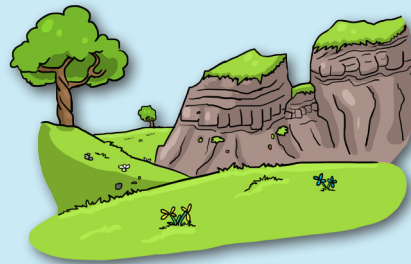
- Get your brain ready!
- Drink plenty of water and eat healthy snacks.



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Exercise and Fresh Air

- Get lots of fresh air and exercise.
- Go for a walk.
- Play sport.
- Sit outside.



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Get Enough Sleep

- Your brain needs 8 hours of sleep a night.



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Review, Review

We'll say it again, going through something once is **not** revision.

Test yourself often.

- Review after 10 minutes.
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Good Luck!

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