



Revision Workshop

Thursday 21st October 2021

Get Motivated



- Focus, Goals, Aims: Has your child got an aim, a goal or target?
- College Open Evenings, application process, choose a future
- Start early, start now
- Routines – little and often
- Build confidence
- Make a plan

Environment for Learning



- Your child will need their own space
- Make it comfortable and relaxed
- Take away the distractions (Games consoles, mobile phones, tablets, TV)
- Be aware but be independent



Environment for Learning

- Revise in daylight (wakes you up, sharper focus, harder to fall asleep)
- Wake up and go for a walk before starting (or other forms of exercise)
- Work near a window, light and fresh air

- Revision doesn't just have to be done at home



Stay Healthy

- Sleep & Rest: Now and during the exams (Remove technology)
- Exercise will help your child to concentrate and sleep
- Encourage your child to eat and drink regularly
- Discourage your child from eating lots of sugar and drinking energy drinks
- Set aside time to still do fun things



Be Prepared

- Has your child got everything they need?
- Topic Lists and PLCs (Personal Learning Checks)
- Revision Guides
- Access to online resources (Hegarty Maths / Educake)
- Revision Materials – paper, pens/highlighters, revision cards

Revision



- Bursts of 25 minutes of revision 5 minute break
- Do something different, get up and move (5 min break)
- 2- 4 cycles have a longer break (30 mins)
- Different subjects / topics
- Holidays / Weekends (3hrs per day minimum)
- Term Time (at least an hour building to two in the spring term)

Revision
Help

B1

Monday to
Thursday

Afterschool
until 17:00

Revision
Help

Monday
Maths

Tuesday
Science

Wednesday
English

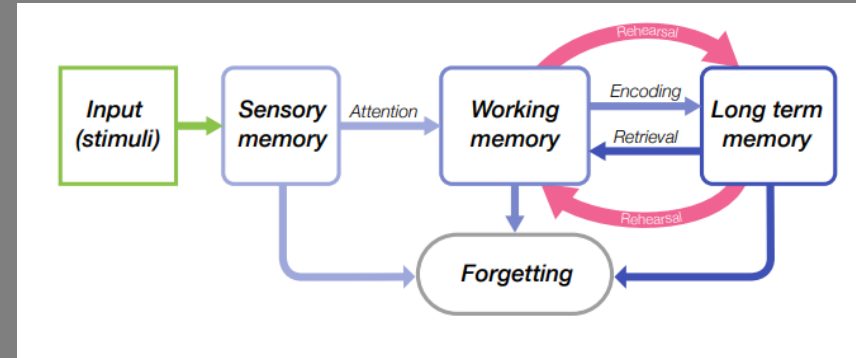
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How does our memory work

Memory can be separated out into sensory, working, and long-term memory. The process of going from seeing or hearing something to storing it in your long term memory goes through several stages

- An input (for example, hearing a teacher explain multiplication tables), the vast majority of which is forgotten (for example, the background noise, the clothes that the teacher is wearing, what is on the wall behind the teacher);
- A fraction of the input enters the working memory (for example, $2 \times 2 = 4$); and
- Through rehearsal and retrieval, the information moves from the working memory to the long term memory.



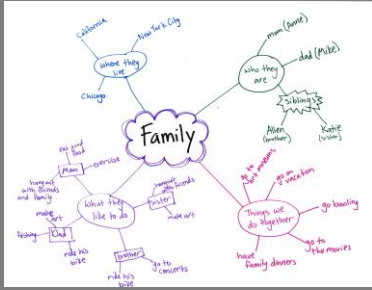
Active, Not passive revision



Avoid **passive revision**: **embrace active revision techniques**

The most common revision technique students use is also one of the most ineffective: reading notes. Sure, it seems like the most logical place to start. But - reading notes is a passive revision technique which doesn't fully engage your brain. It isn't an effective tactic for memorising information

Guess what. Copying out your notes word for word is just as ineffective. Be honest with yourself: how often do you find yourself copying out notes while your mind is thinking about something different entirely?

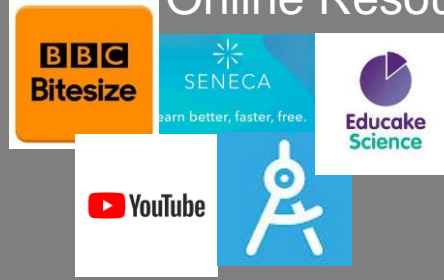


Draw [mind maps](#) to organise information visually. Mind maps help some people to picture information and remember the connections between key details.

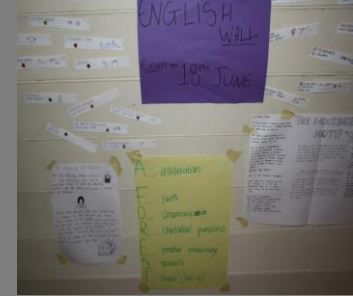


Create flashcards to summarise information into an easily reviewable format. You can then use these cards to test your memory and find out which topics you need to revise more thoroughly
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e7DrQNX-ABA>

Online Resources



Practise along with educational videos For some people, watching videos is far more engaging than reading. If you're one of those people, make sure you actively take notes or practice questions while the video is running. This will prevent your mind from wandering

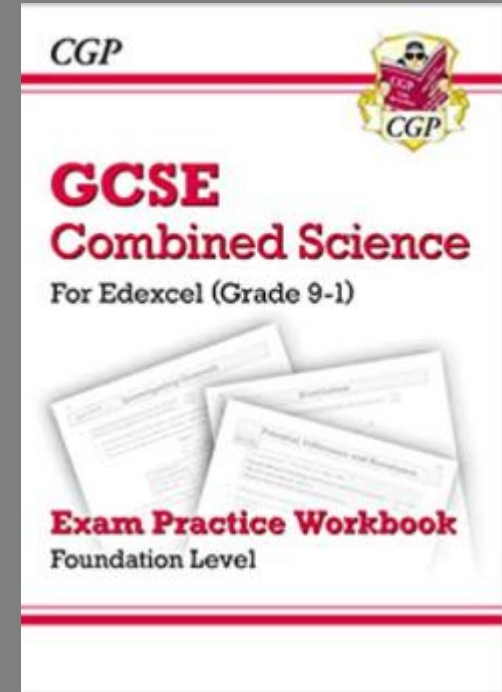
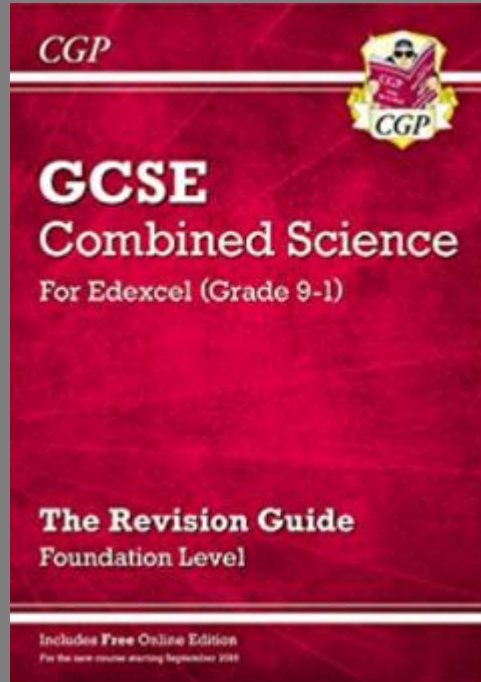


Revision Walls once you have created your mind maps stick them up in your room or around the house.

Revision Guides & Work books



1. Summarise information in a revision guide:
 - Revision notes
 - Mind map
 - Flash cards
2. Use the work book to practice and apply knowledge
3. Use exam questions or papers to test knowledge





Useful Online Resources

<https://www.educake.co.uk>

<https://hegartymaths.com>

<https://corbettmaths.com>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

<https://senecalearning.com>

Exam Boards

AQA

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/>

Pearson

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/exams/past-papers.html>

OCR

<https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/past-paper-finder/>

Available 2015/16 up to 2018



Exam Board Resources

Qualifications at Court Fields 2020-21			
Level	Subject	Exam Board	Specification Code
GCSE	Art & Design - Art, craft and design	AQA	8201
GCSE	Art & Design - Photography	AQA	8206
GCSE	Computer Science	OCR	J277
CamNat	Creative iMedia	OCR CamNat	J817 (2020-21)
GCSE	Design and Technology	AQA	8552
GCSE	English Language	Pearson	1EN0
GCSE	English Language 2.0	Pearson	1EN2
GCSE	English Literature	Pearson	1ET0
GCSE	Food Preparation and Nutrition	AQA	8585
GCSE	Geography	AQA	8035
CamNat	Health & Social Care	OCR Cam Nat	J811
GCSE	History	Pearson	1H10
HPQ	-	Pearson	ZPJ20
GCSE	Mathematics	AQA	8300
GCSE	MFL - French	AQA	8658
GCSE	MFL - Spanish	AQA	8698
BTEC	Music - BTEC	Pearson	HDR49
BTEC	Performing Arts BTEC	Pearson	ZTP88
GCSE	Physical Education	AQA	8582
GCSE	Science - Biology	Pearson	1B10
GCSE	Science - Chemistry	Pearson	1CH0
GCSE	Science - Combined	Pearson	1SC0
GCSE	Science - Physics	Pearson	1PH0
CamNat	Sport Studies - Cambridge National	OCR Camb Nat	J813

Follow the link to exam board website
Make sure you search the correct specification

Use assessment resources

- Exam papers
- Mark Schemes

How to use the Exam Board Resources

- Use individual questions or whole exam paper
- Time yourself answering questions
- Check your answers against the mark scheme
- Identify areas/topics for future revision



Revision

- Don't just test yourself
- Identify what you need to revise (Topic list / PLC)
- Revision Technique – Mind Map, Revision Cards, Online video, (30 mins)
- Choose one technique per subjects (No more than 3 techniques in total)
- Practice Questions, previous exams questions or online (Hegarty/Educake)
- Check your answers (Mark schemes) and REPEAT



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