

# Learning Strategies

**Active Recall** – self-testing, flashcards, quizzes.

**Past Papers & Mark Schemes** – understand exam style & key wording.

**Mind Maps & Diagrams** – visual learning aids.

**Teaching Others** – explain concepts to reinforce understanding.

**Spaced Repetition** – revisit topics at intervals to retain information.

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**Blurting** – Write down everything you remember on a topic before checking notes.

**The Feynman Technique** – Explain topics in simple terms as if teaching a beginner.

**Interleaving** – Mix different subjects and topics in one session to strengthen connections.

**Cornell Note-Taking** – Structure notes with key points, summaries, and questions.

**Dual Coding** – Combine words and visuals (e.g., diagrams, timelines) for better retention.

# Most Effective Revision

## Maths

- Review exercises in CGP textbook
- Integral Maths – videos on every topic and three levels of exercise
- TL Maths – videos on every topic
- **Website:** Physics and Maths Tutor – lots of practice questions and exam papers
- Maths clinic: every Monday lunchtime
- Topic 'catch up' sessions every week on either Wednesday or Thursday after school

## Sciences

- **Website:** Physics and Maths tutor
- Quizlet
- **Website:** Save my Exams
- **Website:** Snaprevise
- **Website:** Kerboodle (subscription via school)
- **YouTube:** Mr Turnbull's Physics
- **YouTube:** Miss Estruch Biology

## English

- Extensive reading lists
  - Knowledge organisers
  - Topic lists
- Revision workbooks
  - Model answers/essays

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## History

- Essay books
- Summary knowledge organisers
- Revision booklets
  - A3 revision summary sheets
- Extra reading booklets
- Essay question plans booklet

## Geography

- **Website:** Cool geography.co.uk
- CGP Complete revision and practice book
- **Website:** PMT physicsandmathstutor.com/geography-revision/a-level-aqa/

## Religious Studies

- Revision pack
- Useful Websites:
  - <https://philosophydungeon.weebly.com>
  - <http://www.philosophersannual.org>
    - <https://iep.utm.edu>
    - <https://plato.stanford.edu/>
    - <https://www.christianity.com>
  - Podcasts:
    - <https://thepanpsycast.com/panpsycast2>
    - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qykl> (In Our Time)
    - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b01nmlh2> (The Public Philosopher)
    - <https://philosophynow.org/podcasts>

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## **Sociology/Psychology**

- Simply psychology and Simply Sociology website
- PMT Tutor resources (psychology)
- Tutor 2 u website
- Psych boost (Youtube)
- Hectic teacher website – Sociology
- AQA website for past papers

## **Computer Science**

- Craig 'n' Dave (Youtube)
- Book: AQA A-Level Computer Science, Bob Reeves
- Revision book: ISAAC A-Level Computer Science Workbook
- Website: Physics and Maths Tutors – AQA Computer Science

## **Health and Social**

- Lesson PowerPoints
- Research Method booklet
- Pass assessments and mark schemes
- Question breakdown/layout
- Model answers

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## Economics

- **YouTube:** Economics understood
- **YouTube:** Economics explained
- **YouTube:** EconPlusDal
- **YouTube:** Jacob Clifford
- [www.economicshelp.org](http://www.economicshelp.org)
- [www.expert-tuition.co.uk/exam-past-papers/a-level-economics/](http://www.expert-tuition.co.uk/exam-past-papers/a-level-economics/)

## Spanish

- **Website:** [Conjuguemos.com](http://Conjuguemos.com)
- **Website:** [Kerboodle.com](http://Kerboodle.com) (Digital book/Repaso/Haz la prueba)
- A link to all past paper questions is posted on Teams

## Design and Technology

- Past papers and mark schemes are available from AQA
- **Quizlet:** Product design
- **YouTube:** Product Design Studio
- **YouTube:** Mr Ridley's Product Design
- **YouTube:** KAs CARTS
- **YouTube:** Miss Mott

## Drama

- Blue A-Level Drama textbook
- Essay structure guide sheets

# Advice

**Create a study schedule:** Set a study timetable that covers all your subjects and topics, and make sure to allocate enough time for each one. Be realistic with your schedule and factor in breaks.

**Review your notes:** Review your class notes and ensure you understand the concepts and key points. Highlight the essential information and create summaries to help you remember the key points.

**Practice with past papers:** Practicing past papers is an excellent way to test your knowledge and get used to the exam format. Analyse the questions and the answers to identify the patterns and the areas that require more attention.

# Advice

**Get organised:** Organise your study materials, including textbooks, notes, and revision guides, so that you can quickly access the information you need when you need it.

**Use mnemonic devices:** Mnemonic devices are memory techniques that can help you remember important information. For example, creating an acronym or an image can help you recall a list of items.

**Study with a group:** Studying with a group can be beneficial as you can share ideas, discuss concepts, and test each other's knowledge.

# Advice

**Take breaks:** Taking regular breaks can help you stay focused and avoid burnout. Take a break every hour or so to rest your brain and recharge your energy.

**Stay healthy:** Eating well, getting enough sleep, and exercising regularly can help you stay healthy and focused during the revision period.

**Identify your strengths and weaknesses:** Identify the topics you're confident with and those you find challenging. Focus more on the difficult areas but don't neglect the topics you're comfortable with.

# Advice

**Start early:** Do not wait until the last minute to start revising. Give yourself plenty of time to cover all the topics and to practice past papers.

**Stay motivated:** Set achievable goals, reward yourself when you reach them, and stay positive and motivated throughout the revision period.