



Year 10 GCSE Independent Study Information

2017

Useful websites and resources for GCSE subjects:

MATHS	https://corbettmaths.com useful revision website.
ENGLISH	<p>GCSE English Language:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Read a wide variety of different text types, fiction and non-fiction, looking at texts from various periods in history. Look at smaller chunks of text and think about how language has been used.• Revise knowledge of punctuation and grammar. There are many online resources to help with this. <p>GCSE English Literature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Read</u> the texts being studied in class <u>multiple</u> times. A closed book exam means the students need to know the texts intimately <u>from memory</u>.• <u>Learn key quotes</u>-although the quotes don't need to be direct, being able to refer to the text/paraphrase is beneficial in the exam. Identify the main themes of each of the texts and find areas of the text that can be referred to support points.• Secure knowledge of <u>terminology</u>. Students will have encountered many 'English' terms over the course of their studies and they must be able to use them when writing about the texts.• Poetry-students study the conflict cluster from the Anthology. Do some <u>research</u> into the conflicts talked about in the poems to develop a deeper contextual understanding. <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/levels/z98jmp3 (BBC Bitesize) http://www.sparknotes.com/</p>
SCIENCE	<p>For all sciences – use kerboodle. There are numerous resources, exam style questions, chapter summaries and revision activities students can be doing. They all have an individual log on.</p> <p>Past papers and mark schemes can be accessed directly from the AQA website (www.aqa.org.uk).</p> <p>Doc Brown website- online exam practice for all science subjects</p> <p>GCSE Bitesize</p>
GEOGRAPHY	<p>CGP revision guides available from the department.</p> <p>Exam Board: Geography GCSE AQA http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/geography/gcse/geography-8035</p>

HISTORY	<p>Exam board information: http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse-history-b-schools-history-project-j411-from-2016/</p> <p>There is a CGP revision book but there is a better one about to be published: 29 Dec 2017</p> <p><i><u>My Revision Notes: OCR GCSE (9-1) History B: Schools History Project Paperback</u></i></p> <p>Useful websites: https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/examspecs/zqkrbk7 - key information and tests on the Normans and Living under Nazi Rule</p> <p>http://www.historyextra.com - Lots of articles and podcasts, especially useful for Norman England and Living under Nazi Rule.</p> <p>http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/beta/gcse-history-b-schools-history-project-j411-from-2016/assessment/ - Sample assessments</p> <p>On the pupil work drive in 'History' then 'GCSE' there is a podcast folder – we keep adding to this so keep checking it.</p> <p>After you have finished a section of the course e.g. medieval crime and punishment, create a self-test on the key knowledge that you need to know. Then two weeks later go back and see if you can answer the questions – if you can't go back to your notes and check the answers. Keep repeating this process so that you have the knowledge 'at your fingertips'.</p>
ETHICS AND PHILOSOPHY	<p>AQA GCSE RS Spec A (8062)</p> <p>Question papers – Paper 1A (Christianity and Islam – Beliefs and Practices) and Paper 2A (Ethical and Philosophical Themes)</p> <p>http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/religious-studies/gcse/religious-studies-a-8062/assessment-resources</p> <p>The following has useful resources for the two papers studied – explanation of terms and a link to potentially useful websites</p> <p>http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/religious-studies/gcse/religious-studies-a-8062/teaching-resources</p> <p>CGP revision guides are available from the Dept (£3 each) and A3 revision sheets for the majority of topics can be found in the Pupil Work drive in the EP Department folder (GCSE Revision material).</p>

MFL	<p>All students have access to the digital textbook and resources on Kerboodle.</p> <p>All students also have a log in for www.thisislanguage.com which can help with listening skills, grammar practice and vocabulary knowledge.</p> <p>They also have a vocabulary booklet based on information from the exam board that they should be learning gradually throughout the course.</p> <p>Other useful websites: www.languagesonline.org.uk www.linguascope.com (intermediate section) GCSE Bitesize</p> <p>CGP revision guides with grammar and exam practice are available for all languages.</p> <p>Watching films in the language and listening to radio online can also be beneficial for improving listening skills and vocabulary knowledge.</p>
TECHNOLOGY	<p><u>Engineering -</u> http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/cambridge-nationals-engineering-design-level-1-2-award-certificate-j831-j841/</p> <p><u>DT : Systems, DT : Timbers, DT : Papers and Boards (Electronics, RM and Graphics) -</u> https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/design-and-technology-2017.html</p> <p>http://www.technologystudent.com/</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design/</p> <p>All students have/will have textbooks for the DT subjects; the link above is a link to Specification and Sample Assessments.</p> <p>There is also a Maths help guide which they will be given in a hard copy. www.TechnologyStudent.com and <u>GCSE Bitesize</u> provide general overviews of the subject.</p> <p>Engineering students do not have a textbook but the above link provides information on Specification and Past Papers.</p>
ART	<p><u>GCSE bitesize</u>: Reminder of the structure of the course and the assessment objectives and can also have some good videos.</p> <p>Start using <u>pinterest</u> and explore it and other sources for inspiration.</p> <p><u>Continuous drawing</u> and the development of drawing skills, which only happens through practise!</p>

MUSIC	<p>There is a revision guide:</p> <p>http://www.rhinegoldeducation.co.uk/product/edexcel-gcse-music-revision-guide/</p> <p>This is available from amazon kindle for less money:</p> <p>https://www.amazon.co.uk/Edexcel-GCSE-Music-Revision-Guide/dp/1785581686</p> <p>They have access to a text book complete with CD for revision tests.</p> <p>I recommend using www.music.theory.net for help with notation and other theory issues.</p> <p>All of the set-works are available on www.youtube.com</p>
PE	<p>PE recommend the following revision guides for GCSE PE students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My Revision Notes GCSE PE - AQA • CGP GCSE Physical Education <p>There are lots of useful resources available at http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/physical-education/gcse/physical-education-8582 for GCSE PE students.</p> <p>They also have access to materials on their Kerboodle account, https://www.kerboodle.com/users/login</p> <p>They should also be keeping up to date with the latest developments in the world of sport through websites such as:</p> <p>http://www.bbc.co.uk/sport</p> <p>http://www.skysports.com/</p> <p>http://www.telegraph.co.uk/sport/</p> <p>There are often good articles on these websites that link to some of the topics they will study on the course (e.g. drugs in sport, hooliganism, sport and technology)</p>
BUSINESS STUDIES	<p>Much of the literature hasn't been published yet but the full course details can be found on the link below:</p> <p>https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/business-2017.html</p>
GENERAL REVISION/ STUDY SKILLS	<p>www.getrevising.com www.revisionworld.com</p> <p>www.cram.com great for making flashcards and revision notes.</p> <p>www.quizlet.com ready made flashcards.</p> <p>www.s-cool.co.uk subject specific revision help.</p>