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Revision Guide Barr Beacon School 2017



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I can remember the content and apply it to exam questions. I have attempted a range of different types of questions on this content and can answer them all without looking at notes.

Now I have revised the content I have looked at an exam paper and tried to apply my understanding to questions.

I have revised the content using my revision aids several times and now can confidently remember content.

I used revision aids to test I know it. The parts I could not remember I went back and revised again using a different method.

Revise once by creating a revision aid such as, a mind map, revision cards/flash cards, typed up noted, created a PPT etc.



Think you know it? Have you tried to answer an exam question without looking at your notes yet - **PROVE** you know it.

Once you have created a revision aid - USE IT!

Don't be surprised if you forget content after only revising it once! You need to **REPEAT** revision to remember it.

How can we revise?



Complete past paper questions



Read the examiner's report. What are they looking for?



Mind maps or spider diagrams



Revise online - tests/games



Use revision guides/textbooks to check your knowledge













How do i learn?



I need to **draw** something to learn it



I need to **hear** or talk about something to learn it



I need to write out something to learn it

It's a mistake to think we only learning by looking, listening, reading, writing OR doing. We actually learn by looking, listening, reading, writing AND doing. The truth is, we need to learn things in several ways for things to stick in our heads.

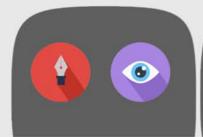
Different revision styles



Station 1: Mind maps



Station 2: Verbally testing your knowledge



Station 3: Revision cards



Station 4: Past paper questions



Station 5: Examiners' reports

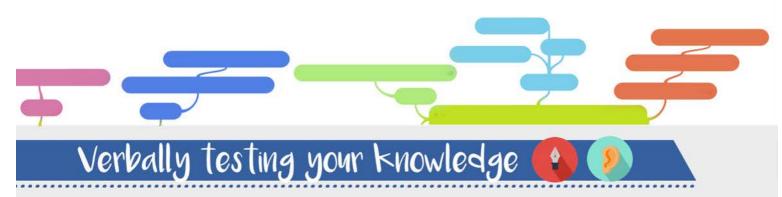
Mind Maps 📀 🚱

Mind maps enable you to demonstrate what you know and summarise your notes into more manageable chunks.

They are very visual so they help you to visualise the information you need to learn.

Good Tips:

- Colour code different sections.
- · Highlight key words.
- Add small images or symbols to help you remember information.
 The more individual and memorable the better!



Talking to your parents, friends or family about what you are revising is a good way of remembering it.

Ask your friends questions and get them to ask you some too. Make sure you push them to give you as much information as you can.

Don't accept one word answers!

Good Tips:

- Revising with others is fun and helps you to test you have learnt it.
- Teaching a concept to another person is one of the best ways to prove you understand something!





Revision Cards 📀 🚱

Revision cards or flash cards are a good way of remembering key bits of information.

You can write key terminology or questions on one side and the answers and information on the other side.

They are a concise way of summarising key information.

Good Tips:

- Once you have created your revision or flash cards use them to test your knowledge.
- Colour code different topics on different cards to help you chunk information.



Past paper Qs 📀 🚱

Ultimately to get your GCSE you have got to answer the exam questions. So you need to practise answering exam questions.

Make sure once you revise some content you test you have understood it – if you can't answer the exam questions you need to revise it again.

Do you know which websites might be useful to you e.g. www.rsrevision.com and www.bitesize.co.uk.

Good Tips:

- You don't always have to answer a full exam question every time. Bullet point ideas you would include.
- Or try verbally answering an exam question and telling a friend or family member what you'd put.







Examiners reports 📀 🚱 🥬

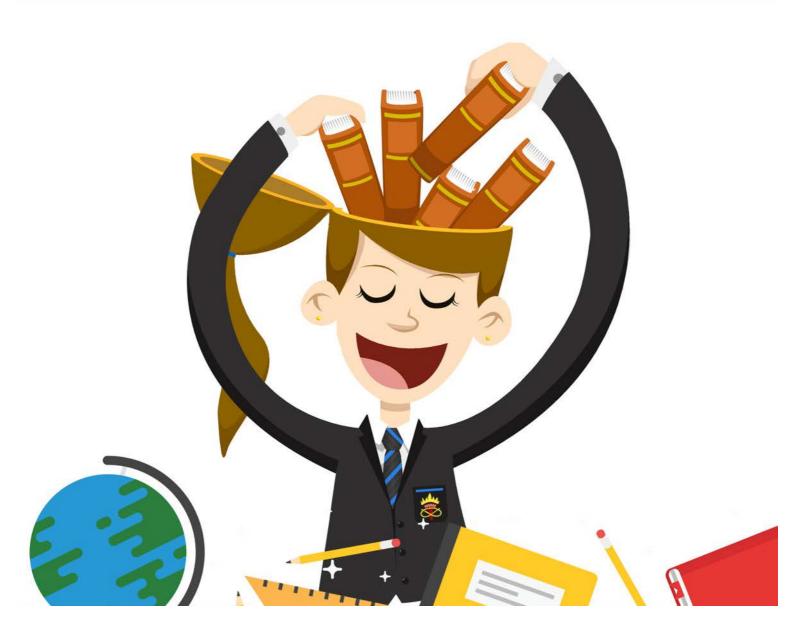
A really good way to understand what to put in your exam answers is to read the report the examiners write each year on common mistakes that pupils made.

This will give you a good idea what the examiner wanted to see in your answers this year.

Good Tips:

- Reading the examiners' report for your subjects will tell you the type of mistakes you need to avoid.
- Knowing what the examiner wants to see puts you at an advantage when you are answering the questions.





Self Assesment

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| How eq | uipped do you now feel for revising independently on your own? |
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Revision Timetable

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