



# Mark Rutherford School

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**GCSE Subject Revision and Exam Boards**

Thank you for taking the time to read this booklet. We know that the revision period can feel challenging—not just for students, but for families too. The good news is that with the right support, preparation can become a positive and manageable experience.

Inside this guide, you'll find clear, practical advice on how to help your child revise effectively, build good habits, and stay motivated. Five key things to remember are:

### **1. Break Revision into Small, Manageable Chunks**

Large tasks feel overwhelming, but short bursts (20–30 minutes) feel achievable. Finishing small goals gives a sense of progress and keeps motivation high.

### **2. Use a Routine That Fits You**

A consistent daily pattern—same time, same place—helps revision become a habit, not a struggle. Routines reduce stress and make revision feel more natural.

### **3. Mix Up Subjects and Activities**

Switching between reading, quizzes, mind maps, or past papers keeps revision fresh. A varied approach boosts focus and reduces boredom.

### **4. Celebrate Small Wins**

Whether it's a completed topic, a good practice score, or simply sticking to the plan—acknowledge it! Positive reinforcement makes students feel confident and encourages them to keep going.

### **5. Build in Breaks, Rest & Rewards**

Students stay motivated when they look after their wellbeing. Short breaks, fresh air, snacks, and downtime help the brain reset and improve productivity.

We wish all our students the very best in the upcoming exams.

## **How to Revise**

The following weblinks give good advice on how to revise.

[Top 10 Revision Strategies](#)

[Top revision techniques for exams - BBC Bitesize](#)

[Revision Planner - Study Schedule Management Tool](#)

MME Revise has many past papers, mark schemes and revision resources on it.

[GCSE Revision | MME](#)

In addition to the above websites, the school subscribes to the following online platforms for some subjects. For many of these platforms, students already have their log in details.

*Everlearner* [Home :: The EverLearner](#)

*Eedi* [Login - Eedi](#)







*Educake* [Educake | An easier way to assess learning](#)





*SparxMaths* [Sparx Maths - Home](#)

*GCSEpod* [Access GCSEPod | Support for teachers, students and parents](#)



All Official Revision Guides that are linked can also be purchased from the *School Shop*.

An order form detailing these resources is to be found on the last page.





Subject	Resource + Description	QR Code
<p><b>Art</b></p> <p>Exam Board: Edexcel</p>	<p><a href="#">BBC Bitesize – Art</a> A sub-topic breakdown for all things GCSE Art</p> <p><a href="#">Student Art Guide.com</a> Student Art Guide compiles new ideas, best practice and helpful learning strategies for Art Students</p>	  
<p><b>Computer Science</b></p> <p>Exam Board: OCR</p>	<p><a href="https://isaacomputerscience.org/">https://isaacomputerscience.org/</a></p> <p>Students need to register with their school email</p> <p>This covers all content for: Paper 1 - Computer Systems Paper 2 - Computational Thinking and Algorithms</p> <p><a href="#">All the Papers   Past Papers   Exam Solutions   Mark Schemes</a></p>	
<p><b>Creative iMedia</b></p> <p>Exam Board: AQA</p>	<p>All students will be provided with a copy of the official Cambridge National revision book and digital attachments of all theory slides completed in the lesson</p> <p><a href="#">OCR Cambridge National in Creative iMedia: Revision Guide inc Online Edition, Videos and Quizzes   CGP Books</a></p> <p><a href="#">Cambridge National Level 1/Level 2 Creative iMedia Revision Guide and – Cambridge University Press Bookshop</a></p> <p><a href="#">Creative iMedia - Revision Notes</a></p>	
<p><b>Design and Technology</b></p> <p>Exam Board: AQA</p>	<p><a href="#">BBC Bitesize – Design and Technology – AQA</a> A sub-topic breakdown for all things GCSE D&amp;T.</p> <p>Seneca <a href="https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/blog/free-aqa-dt-gcse-revision/">https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/blog/free-aqa-dt-gcse-revision/</a></p> <p><a href="#">D&amp;T Official Revision Guide</a> A workbook and practice exam questions, all in one.</p>	  

<p><b>Dance</b></p> <p>Exam Board: AQA</p>	<p>There is no official revision guide, but all Dance teachers have a digital guide from a licensed third-party organisation. This is available upon request to Dance Students.</p> <p><a href="http://Arts-Pool.co.uk">Arts-Pool.co.uk</a></p> <p>Resources that can be purchased to support revision for the written paper. Including developing knowledge and understanding of the anthology works.</p>	
<p><b>Drama</b></p> <p>Exam Board: Eduqas</p>	<p>Throughout the course students have been making their own revision resources based on the scripts and performances they have been using. Students have a bank of past paper questions that they should revisit and use. BBC</p> <p>Bitesize provides some general revision strategies based on key terms.</p> <p><a href="http://GCSE Drama – BBC Bitesize">GCSE Drama – BBC Bitesize</a></p>	
<p><b>English</b></p> <p>Literature and Language</p> <p>Exam Board: AQA</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Language</u></b></p> <p>BBC Bitesize – English Language Paper 1</p> <p><a href="#">– Analysing Fiction</a></p> <p>English Language Paper 2</p> <p><a href="#">– Analysing Non-Fiction</a></p> <p><a href="#">- Comparing Texts</a></p> <p><a href="#">Writing</a></p> <p><a href="#">Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar</a></p>	 

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Literature</b></p> <p>All CGP text guides for the following are also available in the school shop.</p> <p>BBC Bitesize</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <a href="#">An Inspector Calls</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Macbeth</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">A Christmas Carol</a></li> <li>- <a href="#">Conflict Poetry</a> and Unseen Poetry</li> </ul>	
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<p><b>Food Preparation and Nutrition</b></p> <p>Exam Board: AQA</p>	<p><b>The scientific principles underlying these processes when preparing and cooking food.</b></p> <p><a href="#">The science behind carbohydrates - BBC Teach</a></p> <p><b>Nutrition and Health</b></p> <p><b>Food preparation and Storage</b></p> <p><a href="#">GCSE Home Economics: Food and Nutrition (CCEA) - BBC Bitesize</a></p> <p><b>Food preparation and Nutrition all topics</b></p> <p><a href="#">GCSEPod</a></p>	
<p><b>Geography</b></p> <p>Exam Board: Edexcel A</p>	<p><a href="#">BBC Bitesize (Edexcel – Geography)</a></p> <p>This link contains revision information, divided into their sub-topics, for:</p> <p><a href="#">Paper 1 – Physical Environment</a></p> <p><a href="#">Paper 2 – Human Environment</a></p> <p><a href="#">Paper 3 – Geographical Investigations</a></p> <p><a href="#">Geography Edexcel A Revision Guide (available in school shop)</a></p> <p>This is an official revision guide, covering the entirety of our learnt content in bitesize chunks, including the accurate use of our case studies (BBC Bitesize <i>may</i> use different ones than those learnt in class). It is also available within the school shop.</p> <p><a href="#">Seneca Learning (Select Edexcel A GCSE Geography)</a></p>	

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<p><b>Information Technology Btec</b></p> <p>Exam Board: Pearson, Btec Award – Level 1 /2</p>	<p>Pearson Edexcel Hub ActiveLearn</p> <p><a href="https://www.pearsonactivelearn.com/">https://www.pearsonactivelearn.com/</a></p>	
<p><b>Health &amp; Social Care Btec</b></p> <p>Exam Board: Edexcel A</p>	<p><a href="https://youtu.be/-VOF0n_0ZOE">https://youtu.be/-VOF0n_0ZOE</a></p> <p>All students are issued with a copy of <a href="#">Online Edition: New BTEC Tech Award in Enterprise: Exam Practice Workbook (includes answers)   CGP Books</a></p> <p>And</p> <p><a href="#">Component 3 Health &amp; Wellbeing Knowledge Book for BTEC Tech Award in Health &amp; Social Care (2022)   Shop   tutor2u</a></p>	
<p><b>History</b></p> <p>Exam Board: Edexcel</p>	<p>Year 11 History students have all been given substantial revision packs in class, for each of the 4 examined units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Germany</li> <li>- Crime and Punishment</li> <li>- Elizabeth</li> <li>- The Cold War</li> </ul> <p>Additionally, they can access various YouTube Channels regarding these topics (please simply search for them):</p> <p><u>Germany</u> Swift History GCSE revision / A long long time ago History GCSE revision / O Toole GCSE History revision / The History Teacher GCSE History revision / Ben Newmark</p> <p><u>Elizabeth</u> O Toole GCSE History revision / The History Teacher GCSE revision</p> <p><u>Crime and Punishment</u> Swift History GCSE / The History Teacher GCSE revision / a long long time ago GCSE History revision</p>	 

Cold War

O Toole GCSE history Revision / Learnwise GCSE  
History revision / Lagan GCSE History revision

Students have access to GCSE pod for history. They should have a log in (they can change their passwords themselves). If they do not have a log in already, they can create one for themselves. Select Mark Rutherford as the school.

## Languages

Exam Board:  
AQA

### French – AQA 8658

- **BBC Bitesize:**  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z9p3mnb>  
Revision by theme and skills: Listening, Reading, Writing, Speaking, Grammar.
- **Quizlet:** Log into Quizlet to practise vocabulary and key phrases.
- **Languages Online:**  
<https://www.languagesonline.org.uk/>  
Interactive lessons for grammar, vocabulary, reading, and listening exercises.
- **Deckademy:** <https://deckademy.com/>  
Search for "GCSE French" decks for vocabulary and phrases.
- **Seneca Learning:** <https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/blog/gcse-french-revision/>  
Interactive quizzes, grammar, and vocabulary revision.

### Spanish – AQA 8698

- **BBC Bitesize:**  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zxg39j6>  
Revision by theme and skills: Listening, Reading, Writing, Speaking, Grammar.
- **Quizlet:** Log into Quizlet to practise vocabulary and key phrases.
- **Languages Online:**  
<https://www.languagesonline.org.uk/>  
Interactive lessons for grammar, vocabulary, reading, and listening exercises.
- **Deckademy:** <https://deckademy.com/>  
Search for "GCSE Spanish" decks for vocabulary and phrases.
- **Seneca Learning:** <https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/blog/gcse-spanish-revision/>
- Interactive quizzes, grammar, and vocabulary revision.

### Italian – AQA 8633

- **Quizlet:** Log into Quizlet to practise vocabulary and key phrases.
- **Languages Online:**  
<https://www.languagesonline.org.uk/>  
Interactive lessons covering vocabulary, grammar, listening, and reading exercises.
- **Get Revising – Italian GCSE Resources:**



<https://getrevising.co.uk/resources/level/gcse/subjects/italian>

Sign in and access resources for the topics you need.

- **Deckademy:** <https://deckademy.com/>  
Search for "GCSE Italian" decks for vocabulary and phrases.

**Tips for using these above recommended websites:**

- Rotate practice between Listening, Reading, Writing, Speaking, Vocabulary, Grammar, and Cultural Knowledge.
- Use Quizlet and Deckademy for daily vocabulary practice.
- Use BBC Bitesize, Languages Online, and Seneca for structured revision.
- Use Get Revising (Italian) to access topic-specific exercises.

**Teachers have also provided students with dedicated Speaking and Writing booklets, allowing them to prepare their own answers across all three GCSE themes in readiness for the exams.**

**We also recommend purchasing the New GCSE French/ Spanish AQA Exam Practice Workbook of CGP (for exams from 2026)**

**Maths**

Exam Board:  
Edexcel

Maths Genie

Exam questions and past papers can be accessed along with mark schemes.



Sparx maths


HW is completed on this, they have an independent learning section which students can choose topics to revise.




1<sup>st</sup> Class maths



Exam questions and past papers as well as predicted papers closer to the examinations can be accessed along with mark schemes.





	<p>Official Revision Guides</p> <p><a href="#">Higher Tier</a></p> <p><a href="#">Foundation Tier</a></p>	<p><b>Higher</b></p>  <p><b>Foundation</b></p> 
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<p><b>Music</b></p> <p>Exam Board: OCR</p>	<p><a href="#">BBC Bitesize (OCR – Music)</a></p> <p>This link contains revision information, divided into their sub-topics, for:</p> <p><b>AoS 2: The Concerto through Time;</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the Baroque Solo Concerto</li> <li>• the Baroque Concerto Grosso</li> <li>• the Classical Concerto</li> <li>• the Romantic Concerto.</li> </ul> <p><b>AoS 3: Rhythms of the World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India and Punjab</li> <li>• Eastern Mediterranean and Middle East</li> <li>• Africa</li> <li>• Central and South America.</li> </ul> <p><b>AoS 4: Music for Film</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• music that has been composed specifically for a film</li> <li>• music from the Western Classical tradition that has been used within a film</li> <li>• music that has been composed as a soundtrack for a video game.</li> </ul> <p><b>AoS 5: Conventions of Pop</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rock ‘n’ Roll of the 1950s and 1960s</li> <li>• Rock Anthems of the 1970s and 1980s</li> <li>• Pop Ballads of the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s</li> <li>• Solo Artists from 1990 to the present day.</li> </ul> <p>Resources from taught lessons have been uploaded to Teams for you to access, there is also a revision guide available in the school shop.</p> <p>The exam is 1hour 30 and has 8 listening questions.</p>	
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<p><b>PE &amp; Sport</b></p>	<p>Theeverlearner.com          You have your login details. If not, then speak to your teacher about how to access this platform</p> <p>Exam Board: Edexcel (GCSE) &amp; Sport Studies (OCR CNAT)</p>	
<p><b>Religious Studies</b></p> <p>Exam Board: Eduqas</p>	<p><a href="#">GCSE Religious Studies - Eduqas - BBC Bitesize</a>          This gives an overview into all the subtopics of Religious Studies and effectively revision elements for these.</p> <p><b>Course: Eduqas GCSE Religious Studies Route A – Only revise content from this part of the specification.</b></p> <p><b>Component 1:</b> Religious, Philosophical and Ethical Studies in the Modern World  <b>Theme 1:</b> Issues of Relationships  <b>Theme 2:</b> Issues of Life and Death  <b>Theme 3:</b> Issues of Good and Evil  <b>Theme 4:</b> Issues of Human Rights</p> <p><b>Component 2:</b> Study of Christianity</p> <p><b>Component 3:</b> Option 3: Islam</p> <p><a href="#">GCSE Religious Studies FULL COURSE Route A WJEC EDUQAS Flashcards   Quizlet</a></p> <p><a href="#">Get Revising.co.uk</a></p>	
<p><b>Science</b></p> <p>Exam Board: AQA</p>	<p><b>What am I studying?</b></p> <p>Most students will be studying:          AQA GCSE Combined Science Trilogy</p> <p>Students in w3 or x3 Science classes will be studying:          AQA GCSE Biology          AQA GCSE Chemistry          AQA GCSE Physics</p> <p><a href="http://www.educake.co.uk">www.educake.co.uk</a>          You will find short revision questions on all the Science topics. You can set yourself questions to do based on particular topics.</p> <p><a href="http://www.focuselearning.co.uk">www.focuselearning.co.uk</a>          You will find walkthroughs and guides for all the required practical activities that they might be asked about in the exams.</p> <p>Username: student@markrutherford2212          Password: worjzupea</p> <p><a href="http://www.bbc.com/bitesize">www.bbc.com/bitesize</a>          You will find revision material, videos and quick tests on here. We use the exam board <b>AQA</b>. The link takes you to BBC bitesize</p>	

	<p>GCSE, you will then need to select your subject (see “What am I studying?” above)</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/@Freesciencelessons">www.youtube.com/@Freesciencelessons</a></p> <p>You will find free science lesson videos for GCSE topics. Many students find these useful.</p>	 
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	<p><a href="https://mmerevise.co.uk/gcse-science-revision/gcse-science-past-papers/">https://mmerevise.co.uk/gcse-science-revision/gcse-science-past-papers/</a></p> <p>You will find all the GCSE Science AQA past papers and mark schemes on the MME website. Signing up for free gives you access to revision lessons and practice multiple choice questions.</p>	 
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On the next page please find an order form listing all revision guides and resources available in the school shop. Should you wish to order any resources, then please contact the school.

Student Name:								
Tutor Group:		Telephone:						
		ISBN	Cost	Please tick		ISBN	Cost	Please tick
<b>English</b>				<b>Maths</b>				
English Language – AQA Complete Revision & Practice	978 1782944140	£7.00		Maths – (9-1) Higher	977 1782944058	£7.00		
English Literature - AQA Complete Revision & Practice	978 1782944133	£7.00		Maths – (9-1) Foundation	978 1782949985	£7.00		
English - A Christmas Carol - Text Book	978 1782943099	£5.15		<b>Business Studies</b>				
English - A Christmas Carol - Workbook	978 1782947806	£5.15		Edexcel GCSE Revision - Business - All in one Revision & Practice	978 0008227395	£9.00		
English – Macbeth - Textbook	978 1841461168	£5.15		<b>Food GCSE</b>				
English – Macbeth - Workbook	978 1782947776	£5.15		Food Preparation & Nutrition – AQA (9-1) – Practice Workbook	978 1782946502	£5.15		
				Food Preparation & Nutrition – AQA (9-1) - Revision Guide	9781782946496	£5.15		
				<b>History</b>				
English – An Inspector Calls – Textbook	978 1841461151	£5.15		Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Crime and Punishment in Britain Revision Guide and Workbook	978 1292169705	£6.50		
English – An Inspector Calls – Workbook	978 1782947769	£5.15		Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Superpower relations and the Cold War Revision Guide and Workbook	978 1292169750	£6.50		
English – Unseen Poetry -	978 1782943648	£5.15		Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Weimar and Nazi Germany Revision Guide and Workbook	978 1292169736	£6.50		
English – Power & Conflict	978 1782943617	£5.15		Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) History Early Elizabethan England Revision Guide and Workbook	978 1292169712	£6.50		
KS3 Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar – Workbook	978 1782941170	£4.00		<b>Health and Social Care</b>				
				BTEC National Health & Social Care	9781292245614	£5.00		
				Enterprise	9781292245607	£5.00		
<b>Science</b>				<b>Geography</b>				
GCSE Combined Science – AQA Higher/Foundation (9-1) <b>Please state H/F</b>	9781782945598 H 9781782945604 F	£6.40		Geography – Revision	978 1292133775	£6.50		
GCSE Biology AQA (9-1)	978 1782945567	£5.15		Geography – Revision Workbook	978 1292133737	£6.50		
GCSE Chemistry AQA (9-1)	978 1782945574	£5.15						
GCSE Physics AQA (9-1)	978 1782945581	£5.15						
<b>Languages</b>				<b>PE</b>				
French Revision	978 1292131429	£6.50		Physical Education	978 1292135120	£6.00		
French Workbook	978 1292131351	£6.50						
Spanish Revision	978 1292131443	£6.50		Yr11 Past Papers Foundation & Higher		£3.00		
Spanish Workbook	978 1292131412	£6.50						