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## Exams in 2022

- Will exams take place in 2022?
- What measures will be in place to make sure they are fair?
- How will grading change?
- When will GCSE's happen in 2022?
- When will advance information be made available for GCSE students?
- What is being done for vocational and technical qualifications in 2022?
- When will students get their results?

Winter Mocks 22<sup>nd</sup> November  
- 23 School Days

Spring Mocks – 14<sup>th</sup> March  
– 86 School Days

GCSE's – 16<sup>th</sup> May – 120 School Days

100% ATTENDANCE

# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

<b>Above 97%</b>	<b>Less than 6 days absence a year: Excellent attendance! Students with this attendance should achieve the best grades they can leading to better prospects for work, college and university.</b>
<b>95%</b>	<b>Less than 10 days absence in a year. Students with this attendance are likely to achieve their target grades and have good opportunities for work, college and university.</b>
<b>90%</b>	<b>19 days absence over the year. Students with this attendance are missing a month of school per year and may drop an exam grade; it will be difficult for them to achieve their best</b>
<b>85%</b>	<b>29 days absence in a year. These students are missing 6 weeks of school a year, it will be very difficult for them to keep up and do their best.</b>
<b>80%</b>	<b>Students with this attendance are missing a year of school over the five years of secondary education. It will be almost impossible to keep up with work.</b>

# GCSE Grades

New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	
8	A*
7	A
6	B
5	C
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
	G
U	U

# TOP 10 REVISION TIPS FOR STUDENTS

- Start early – don't keep putting it off
- Find the right place to revise
- Try different revision techniques
- Take short breaks
- Eat healthily
- Take regular exercise
- Get enough sleep
- Use revision guides
- Don't just read your notes – write things down
- Do lots of practice papers

## REVISION PLAN

- Add any regular commitments e.g. sports clubs, hobbies,
- Add any upcoming events e.g. birthdays
- Break each subject down to topics
- Plot the subjects and topics onto the planner
- Manageable Slots – Regular Breaks
- Put a copy on your phone or set alarms/reminders that will help you keep to your plan.

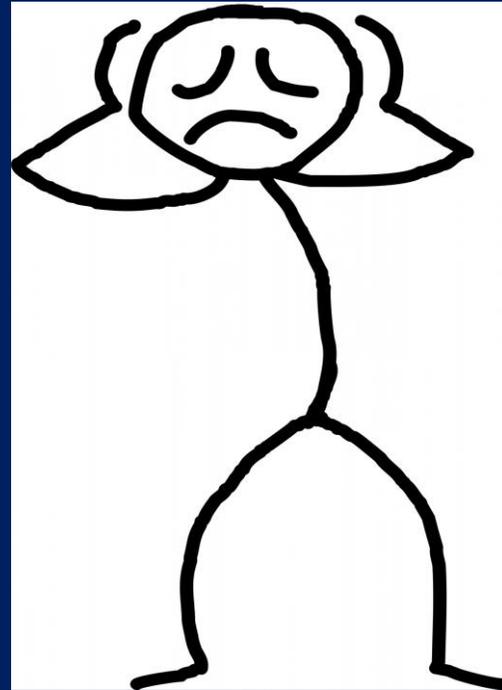
# Exam Rules

- Punctual
- Silence
- NO Phones, Watches, iPod, Ear buds etc....
- NO notes
- Clear drink bottle
- Remain in exam room
- Follow invigilator instructions

She's always panicked in exam – when I try and help her it ends in a slanging match

There are a million websites to help but how do you know which are any good?.....

She always leaves everything to the last minute, one minute she has all the time in the world and the next its due in tomorrow and they haven't got the equipment they need



I didn't even do my GCSE's how can I help them?

Surely he shouldn't be going out again, he has exams coming up

I don't understand the coursework – its completely different to when I was at school

## Parents Can Make a Difference

Students who do best in exams:-

- Have revised thoroughly and carefully
- Feel confident
- Have parents/carers who take an interest in their revision

## Good Exam Results – What is the secret?

Stage 1 – Learn the content first time round – every lesson counts

Stage 2 – Revision – Every student needs to revise to achieve their potential.

Stage 3 – The exam itself – know the subject matter, organisational skills, exam techniques

## How much Revision?

- A simple way to work out the least amount of revision time for one GCSE subject
- Allow 1 hour of revision per topic
- 1hr X total topics
- If a subject covers 50 topics then that subject will require at least 50 hours of revision if you child is studying 8 GCSE's they will require at least 400 hours of studying.

## Supporting your child in setting themselves up for revision

- Talk to your child about how you can support them and what they would find helpful.
- The simplest things often get in the way of starting revision – have a stationery box available
- Help your child to plan their revision timetable
- Support your child in keeping to their revision plan, praise them when they do it – don't bribe.
- Be Flexible if they want to go out on a revision night, agree when they will make the time up.

## Revision Tips for Parents

- Revision is most effective when started early
- Help your child to build a revision plan
- Encourage your child to vary their revision
- Make sure they attend any revision sessions at school
- Ensure they have a quiet place to study
- You aren't expected to know everything!

- Students should strive to revise at least 5 days each week
- On weekdays this time would be before and/or after school
- Weekends - the choice is theirs
- Give priority to the subjects and topics that are most difficult
- Plan time off

## Exam Stress

A degree of stress is normal and actually necessary for successfully tackling exams.

### **Symptoms of stress:-**

- Difficulty getting to sleep or waking up
- Tiredness
- Poor Appetite
- Loss of interest in things they used to enjoy
- Headaches and other unexplained aches and pains
- Irritability and frequent angry episodes

## Dealing with Stress

- Listen and empathise with the feelings they express
- Remind them when they have overcome difficulties in the past
- Focus on what they have achieved
- Keep up motivation and self esteem – focus on strengths and qualities they have.
- Take some time out
- Eat healthily
- Sleep

## Do:-

- Keep things in perspective
- Provide the environment necessary for success
- Respond positively when they ask for help
- Give plenty of praise and encouragement
- Be prepared to listen
- Keep up with regular “check in’s”
- Be sensitive to the pressure your child is feeling

## Don't

- Make comparisons
- Unintentionally add to their worries by constantly mentioning exams
- Worry if their revision techniques seem strange or unusual
- Make a battle out of them having their mobile phone.
- Expect them to study all of the time
- Turn revision into a battle, encourage your child to see the long term benefits of their hard work.

## Good Luck

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# ENGLISH GCSEs

Students study two GCSEs in English: English Language and English Literature.

- If students don't achieve a grade 4 or above in English Language, they will need to resit in Year 12.
- To study A Level Economics, Government & Politics, Philosophy or Psychology at King Edward Five Ways, students need to achieve a grade 7 in English.

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE

## Paper 1 /80

1 hour 45 minutes

Explorations in creative reading and writing

4 reading questions based on one unseen Literature fiction text.

1 writing task: descriptive or narrative writing.

## Paper 2 /80

1 hour 45 minutes

Writers' viewpoints and perspectives

4 reading questions based on two unseen non-fiction texts.

1 writing task: writing to present a viewpoint

How many marks do I need for a grade...?

	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
2019	76	86	97	108	117	127
2020	68	79	91	103	113	123

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE

“Yes, you can... but not in the same way as you'd revise for other subjects.”

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE

The questions don't change, the texts do, so you can learn what the questions are going to be and how to answer them.

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE

## Paper 1:

Question 1: 4 marks (5 mins)

- Focused on line numbers from the start of the source
- **List 4 things you learn about...**

Question 2: 8 marks (15 mins)

- Focused on line numbers from the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph
- **How does the writer use language here..?**

Question 3: 8 marks (15 mins)

- Focused on the whole text
- **How has the writer structured the text to interest you as a reader?**

Question 4: 20 marks (25 mins)

- Focused on line numbers from the middle to the end.
- **A student said... To what extent do you agree?**

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE

## Paper 2:

Question 1: 4 marks (5 mins)

- Focused on line numbers from the start of source A
- **Choose 4 statements that are true...**

Question 2: 8 marks (15 mins)

- Focused on both sources
- **Use details from both sources to write a summary..?**

Question 3: 12 marks (20 mins)

- Focused on line numbers from one source
- **How does the writer use language to...?**

Question 4: 16 marks (20 mins)

- Focused on both sources
- **Compare how the writers convey their...**

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE

## Revision strategies:

- Complete past papers (booklets in lessons or examples on Teams).
- Read fiction and non-fiction texts, and think about how you would answer exam questions on them.
- For example, the Opinions section of the Guardian website is good for Paper 2: [Opinion | The Guardian](#)
- Watch Mr. Bruff, Mr. Salles or Stacey Reay on YouTube, and make notes to refer back to.

# ENGLISH LITERATURE

**For the Summer 2022 exams, the content of the English Literature exams has been reduced because of time lost due to lockdown.**

Students at Bournville will not be assessed on the 15 'Power and Conflict' poems.

# ENGLISH LITERATURE

## Paper 1

### Paper 1N: 'A Christmas Carol'

- Students will answer one exam question which will ask them to answer a question on an extract and the novel as a whole.

### Paper 1M: 'An Inspector Calls'

- Students will answer one exam question from a choice of two.

## Paper 2

### Shakespeare: 'Macbeth'

- Students will answer one exam question which will ask them to answer a question on an extract and the novel as a whole.

### Unseen Poetry

- Part 1: Unseen poetry essay
- Part 2: Unseen poetry comparison

There are 8 marks available on paper 2 for spelling, punctuation and grammar.

# ENGLISH LITERATURE

## How can I revise English Literature?

- Complete the daily interleaved revision tasks – available on Teams.

Week commencing 11 <sup>th</sup> October				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p> Read this extract:</p> <p><a href="#">Read an excerpt from Butterfly: From Refugee to Olympian, Yusra Mardini's story of rescue, hope and triumph   The Reading List</a></p>	<p> Read this article:</p> <p><a href="#">From racism to trolling, Love Island is merely a reflection of real-life toxicity   Love Island   The Guardian</a></p>	<p> Do you think exams should be cancelled and replaced with teachers' grades? List 5 arguments for or against this idea.</p>	<p> Read this article:</p> <p><a href="#">Love Island star Amy Hart says she got death threat from 13-year-old - BBC News</a></p>	<p> Read this article:</p> <p><a href="#">Little Mix's Jesy Nelson: Online trolls made me want to die - BBC Three</a></p>
<p> How does the writer use language to show that life is dangerous.</p>	<p> What is the writer's perspective on Love Island?</p>	<p> 'Exams are not the best way to assess: they create unnecessary stress and don't show what students can do.' Write a speech for Ofqual giving your views on this statement.</p>	<p> What problems with social media are identified in the article?</p>	<p> 'Social media companies should do more to protect people from hate'. Write a letter to a social media company of your choice, persuading them to act now.</p>

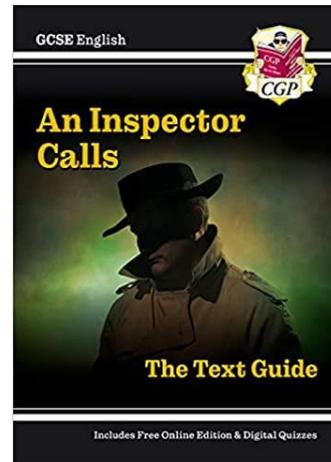
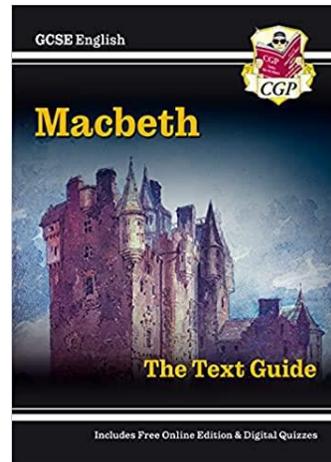
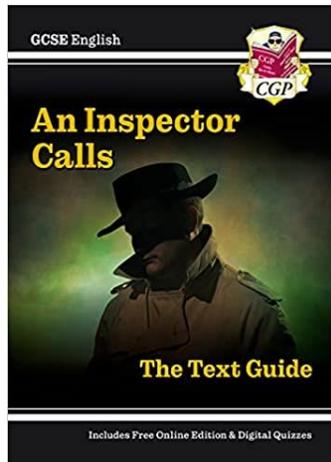
- Mr Bruff videos: [Mr Bruff – YouTube](#)
- Stacey Reay videos: [Stacey Reay – YouTube](#)
- Mr Salles videos: [Mr Salles Teaches English – YouTube](#)



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## How can I revise English Literature?

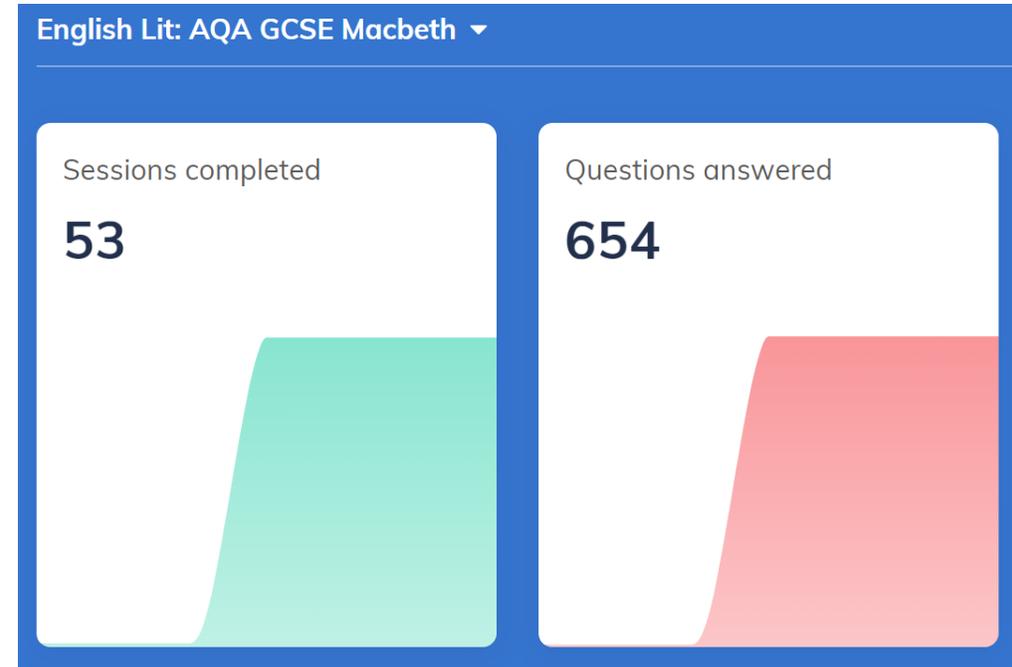
- Re-read the texts: 'Macbeth', 'A Christmas Carol', 'An Inspector Calls'. They are all available online, and the links are on Teams.
- Because they are plays, watch 'Macbeth' and 'An Inspector Calls'. The Globe version of 'Macbeth' is on Teams, and 'An Inspector Calls' is on BBC iPlayer.
- Use the CGP revision guides that you have been given, and create revision cards.



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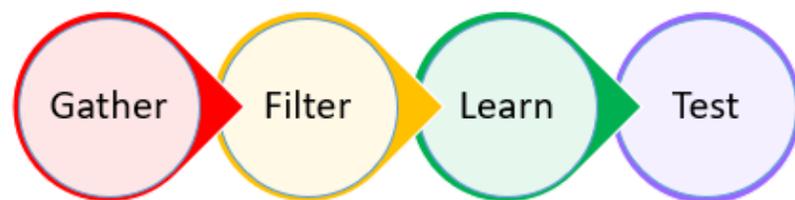
## How can I revise English Literature?

- Watch YouTube revision videos by Mr. Bruff, Mr. Salles and Stacey Reay – links on Teams – and make notes.
- Complete past papers / exam questions under timed conditions – available on Teams.
- Take your exercise books home and make mindmaps / revision cards / notes of the key information.
- Complete quizzes on Seneca.



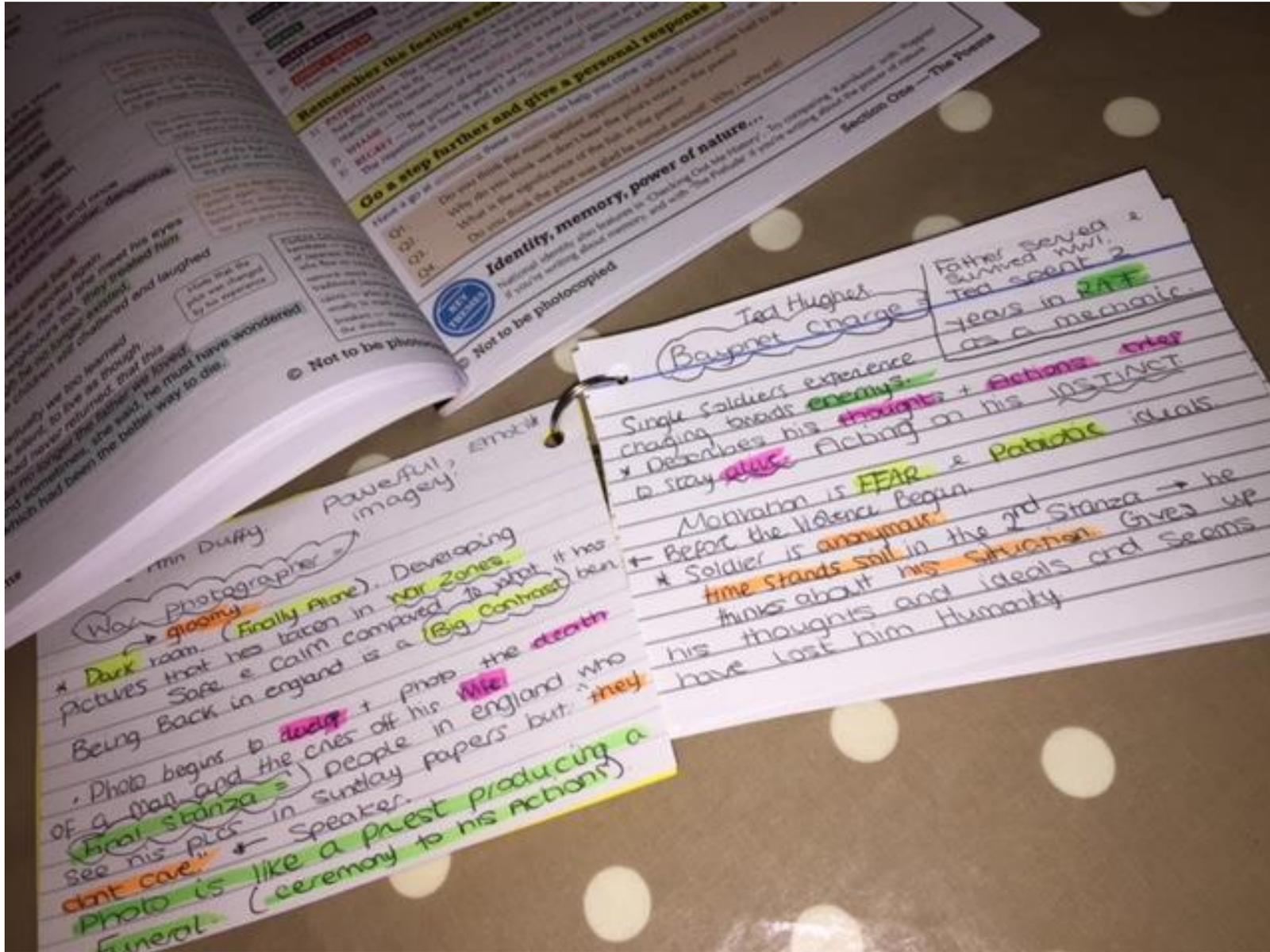
# REVISION

- Time
- Space
- Pace
- Activity

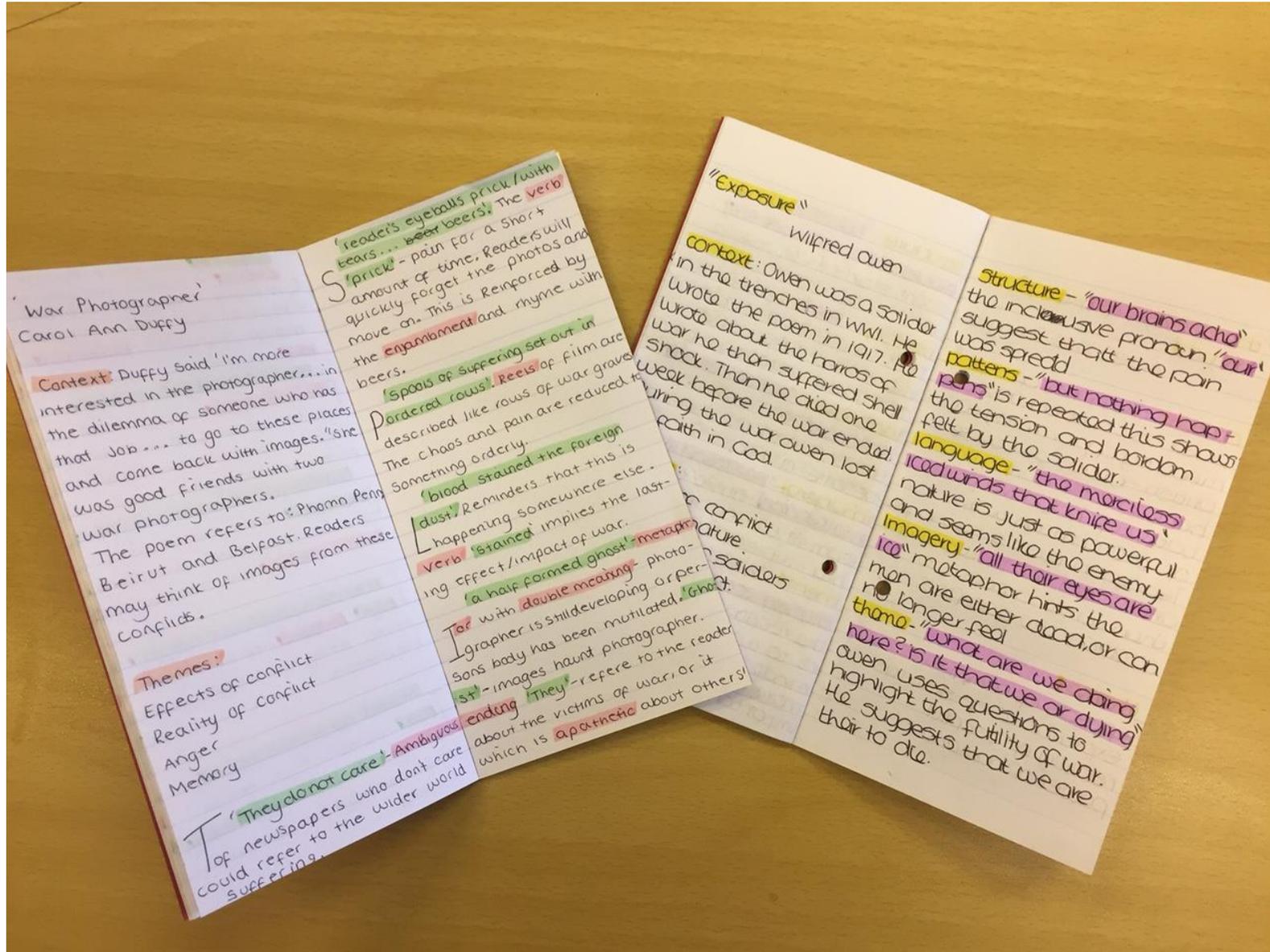


Gather	Filter	Learn	Test
<p><b>Session 1.</b> After the first time you have revised a topic you should not need to do any further "gathering"</p>	<p><b>Session 2</b> After the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> time you have revised a topic you should not need to do any more filtering.</p>	<p><b>Session 3</b> Give yourself a variety of activities and change where you work from time to time. Don't forget to revise with friends sometimes too.</p>	<p><b>Session 4 onwards</b> As you approach your exam date you should be spending more and more time on the testing phase and making the tests more challenging.</p>
10% of your time	30% of your time	40% of your time	20% of your time
<p>You will need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Class books</li> <li>• Text books</li> <li>• Revision Guides</li> <li>• Knowledge Organisers</li> <li>• Revision Websites</li> <li>• Old Exam papers</li> <li>• Model answers</li> </ul> <p>Before you start, rank the topics you need to cover from most to least confidence. Begin with the topics lowest on the list.</p> <p>Read through and become familiar with the information you need to know in order to be successful.</p> <p>Identify any bits of knowledge you have missing and go to see your teacher to help fill this gap.</p>	<p>Reduce the amount of information you have down to the essential parts of the knowledge. You could do this by:</p> <p>Creating mind maps or flash cards.</p> <p>Creating Crib Sheets (these are like pages from a revision guide with all the essential information.</p> <p>Writing "perfect" exam answers from your notes.</p> <p>Making your own knowledge organiser or summary sheet.</p>	<p>Use these strategies to learn the information so that you can recall it easily:</p> <p>Look/cover/write/check.</p> <p>Read and repeat information for 2-3 minutes, do something else for 10 minutes and then try to recreate from memory.</p> <p>Complete exam questions and then go back to <u>self-mark</u>. Fill in the gaps in a different colour pen. Revise the bits you missed again.</p>	<p><b>Low Stakes Testing (e.g. Seneca)</b> Easy, quick quizzes which test small pieces of knowledge. This works well for simple facts, dates, key words or important formulae. You must complete some low stakes testing within 24 hours of revising a topic to anchor learning in your memory.</p> <p><b>High Stakes Testing</b> These are longer exam style questions which apply knowledge as you would have to in the exam. These should be completed within 48-72 hours of revising a topic and then repeated regularly to keep your revision "fresh".</p>
Gathering IS NOT REVISION, don't spend ages on this stage.	Copying out information word for word is not filtering or learning.		Silent. No Support. Timed.

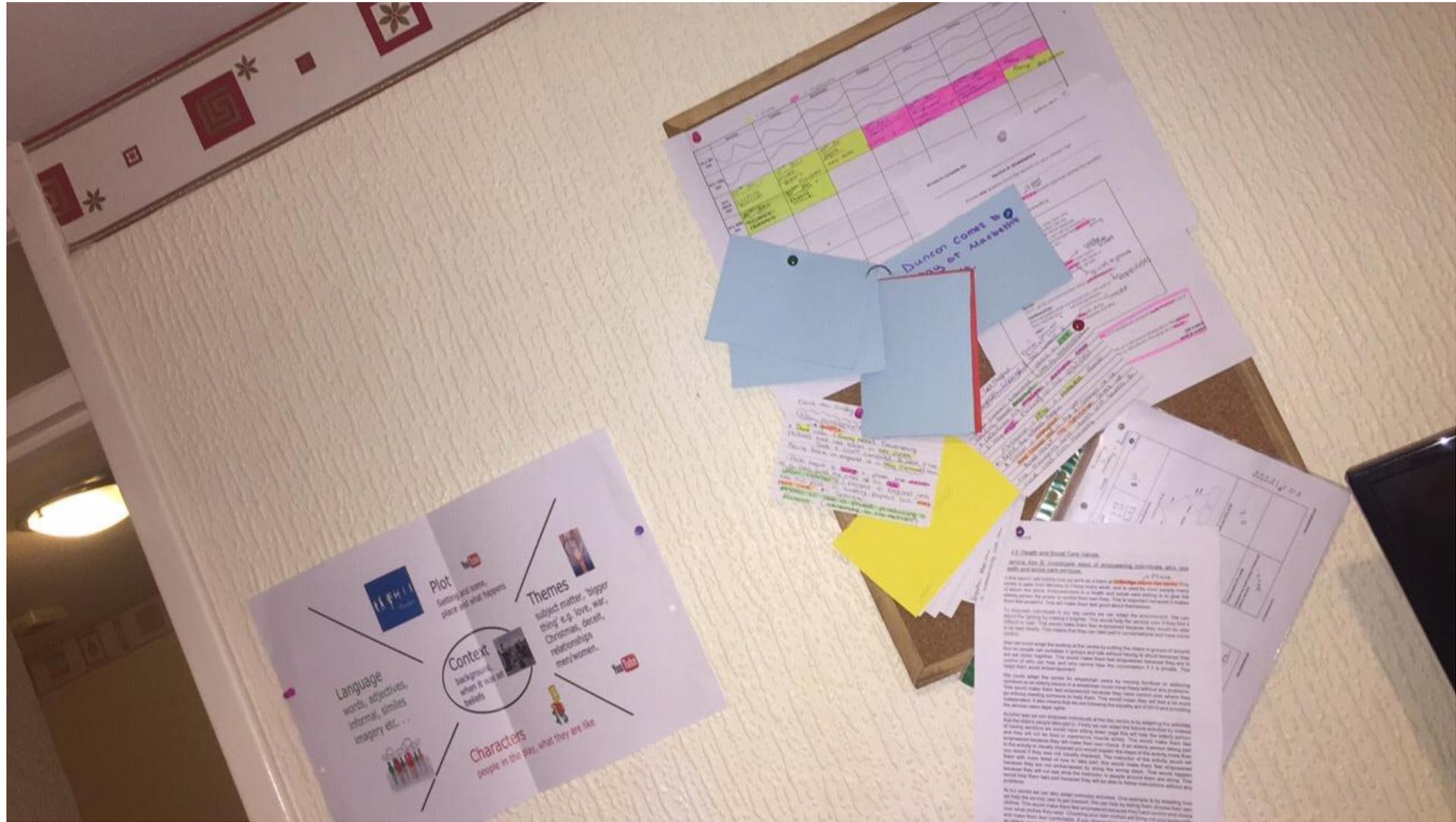
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## How to help your child be successful in Mathematics.

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Maths anxiety is a type of anxiety that specifically interferes with mathematics, and is not the same as general anxiety. It can have a large detrimental impact on pupils' learning by overloading their working memory or causing them to avoid mathematics. Mathematics anxiety tends to increase with age, but there are signs of it appearing even in children in Key Stage 1.

# Mathematics GCSE



- GCSE Mathematics is split into 3 papers; 1 paper is non-calculator with the other 2 papers being calculator.
- Each paper is worth 80 marks with the total marks being out of 240.
- There are over 150 topics that can be assessed with only a sample of these showing up on the papers. This means that we cannot predict what will come up on the papers or give specifics for each paper.
- If students don't achieve a grade 4 or above in Mathematics, they will need to resit in Year 12.

# Mathematics



Exam					Grade								
Board	Month	Year	Tier	Total	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Edexcel	June	2017	F	240					158	122	90	58	26
Edexcel	June	2017	H	240	190	157	124	96	68	41	27		
Edexcel	June	2018	F	240					169	136	101	66	31
Edexcel	June	2018	H	240	202	170	139	109	79	50	35		
Edexcel	June	2019	F	240					184	149	111	73	36
Edexcel	June	2019	H	240	198	167	137	108	80	52	38		

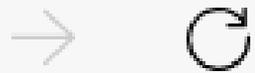
How many marks do I need for a grade...?

# Mathematics



## Revision strategies:

- Use CorbettMaths.co.uk 5-a-day for general retrieval practice and mixed questions.



<https://corbettmaths.com/5-a-day/gcse/>

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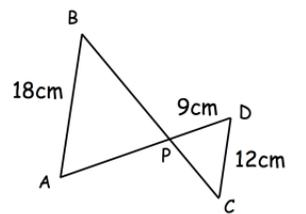
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## Revision strategies:

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<p>Safia sends 14 text messages daily that cost 5p each. She makes 3 calls each day costing 25p each.</p> <p>How much does she spend altogether over five days?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Corbettm@ths</p>
<p>What is the smallest number that is divisible by both 3 and 11?</p>	<p>What is the smallest number divisible by both 6 and 9?</p>
<p>Matt's age and Noah's age add up to 64.</p> <p>Matt is 36 years older than Noah.</p> <p>How old is Noah?</p>	
<p><math>W = 3a + 2c</math></p> <p>Find W if <math>a = 7</math> and <math>c = 8</math></p>	<p>Find W if <math>a = 3.5</math> and <math>c = 2.2</math></p>

<p>Write down the value of</p> <p><math>64^{\frac{2}{3}}</math></p>	<p>Write down the value of</p> <p><math>7^{-3}</math></p>
<p>Carl is making a drink by mixing orange juice and lemonade in the ratio 3 : 5</p> <p>Carl has 57.5 litres of lemonade and 36 litres of orange juice.</p>	<p>What is the maximum amount of the drink that Carl can make?</p>
	<p>Lines AB and CD are parallel</p> <p>P is a point of AD, such that PD = 9cm</p> <p>Find the length of AD.</p>
<p>Find the equation of the straight line through (0, 8) which is perpendicular to the line <math>y = 4x + 1</math></p>	

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- Use [mathsgenie.co.uk](https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk) for model solutions and walkthrough videos.
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## Revision strategies:

[June 2018 Paper 1](#)



[June 2018 Paper 2](#)



[June 2018 Paper 3](#)



[November 2017 Paper 1](#)



[November 2017 Paper 2](#)



[November 2017 Paper 3](#)



[June 2017 Paper 1](#)



[June 2017 Paper 2](#)



[June 2017 Paper 3](#)



[Specimen 2 Paper 1](#)



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[Specimen 2 Paper 3](#)



## Revision strategies:

- (b) (i) Plot the point with coordinates (2, 9).  
Label this point *B*.

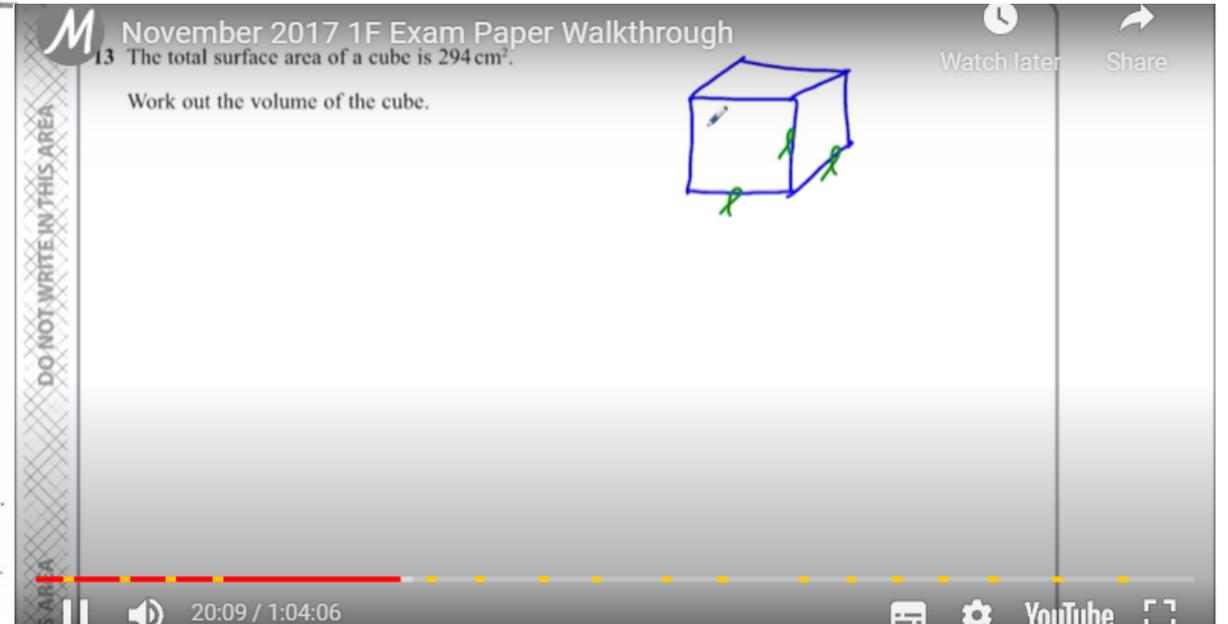
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- (ii) Does point *B* lie on the straight line with equation  $y = 4x + 1$ ?  
You must show how you get your answer.

$$\text{when } x = 2 \quad y = 4(2) + 1 \\ = 9$$

Yes (2, 9) lies on  $y = 4x + 1$

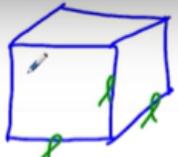
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M November 2017 1F Exam Paper Walkthrough

13 The total surface area of a cube is  $294 \text{ cm}^2$ .

Work out the volume of the cube.



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS AREA

Watch later Share

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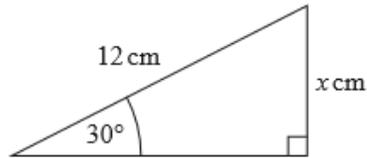
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## Mathematics – Foundation Tier – Paper 1

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.....  
(1)

(b)



Given that  $\sin 30^\circ = 0.5$ ,  
work out the value of  $x$ .

.....  
(2)

(Total for Question 26 is 3 marks)

Use Mathsgenie for model solutions and video walkthroughs

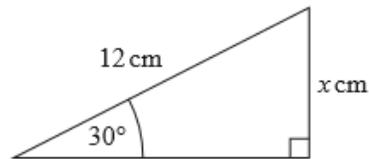
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Trigonometry: cosine rule missing sides [Video 335](#) [Practice Questions](#)  
Trigonometry: cosine rule missing angles [Video 336](#) [Practice Questions](#)  
Trigonometry: area of a triangle [Video 337](#) [Proof](#) [Practice Questions](#) [Textbook Exercise](#)  
Trigonometry: Sine graph [Video 338](#) [Practice Questions](#)  
**Trigonometry: Cosine graph [Video 339](#) [Practice Questions](#)**  
~~Trigonometry: Tangent graph [Video 340](#) [Practice Questions](#)~~  
Trigonometry: Exact values [Video 341](#) [Practice Questions](#) [Textbook Exercise](#)  
Types of data: Qualitative & Quantitative [Video 342](#) [Practice Questions](#)  
Types of data: discrete & continuous [Video 343](#) [Practice Questions](#)  
Types of graph: cubics [Video 344](#) [Practice Questions](#)  
Types of graph: exponential [Video 345](#) [Practice Questions](#)  
Types of graph: reciprocal [Video 346](#) [Practice Questions](#)  
Types of graph: mixture

Use of Corbettmaths;

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- 2) Watch the appropriate ‘help’ video**

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Question 1: Write down the exact values of each of the following

- (a)  $\sin 30^\circ$       (b)  $\cos 0^\circ$       (c)  $\tan 45^\circ$       (d)  $\sin 90^\circ$       (e)  $\sin 0^\circ$   
(f)  $\cos 60^\circ$       (g)  $\tan 0^\circ$       (h)  $\sin 45^\circ$       (i)  $\cos 30^\circ$       (j)  $\tan 60^\circ$   
(k)  $\cos 90^\circ$       (l)  $\sin 60^\circ$       (m)  $\cos 45^\circ$       (n)  $\tan 30^\circ$

Question 2: Write down the exact values of each of the following

- (a)  $\cos 60^\circ + \sin 30^\circ$       (b)  $\cos 0^\circ + \tan 45^\circ + \sin 90^\circ$   
(c)  $\sin 30^\circ + \sin 90^\circ$       (d)  $\sin 45^\circ + \cos 45^\circ$

Question 3: Write down the exact values of each of the following

- (a)  $\sin 45^\circ + \cos 45^\circ$       (b)  $\tan 30^\circ + \tan 60^\circ$       (c)  $\cos 30^\circ + \sin 60^\circ$

Use of Corbettmaths;

- 1) Identify the keywords/ topics
- 2) Watch the appropriate 'help' video
- 3) **Attempt the textbook exercise to provide purposeful practice.**

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- Time
- Space
- Pace
- Activity

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The good news is that you genuinely do not need to be an expert in mathematics to make a real difference!

Your support, encouragement and interest can make a spectacular difference to your child's motivation and ability to cope with the academic and organisational demands of the exam period.

Motivation and resilience are massively important in how well your child does, not just in the exams, but also in how well they cope with the demands of year 11.

There are many practical ways that you can help them in maths: reminding them to do half an hour of work in the evening on Corbett Maths, or asking them to show you a question that they have completed. Providing them with a quiet space to work is another way you can help.