

BOURNVILLE SCHOOL

# VALUES

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**Excellence**

Dedication

**Ambition**

Integrity

**Tradition**



Ready. Respectful. Safe.

ENRICHING **LIVES;** TRANSFORMING **FUTURES**

Consider this question:  
Why is it so important that you  
pass your English and Maths  
GCSEs?



**THERE ARE  
NO  
SHORTCUTS.  
WORK HARD,  
BE PATIENT,  
CONSISTENT  
AND NEVER  
GIVE UP.**

# Why is securing the basics so important

Almost all jobs require you to have secured at least a standard pass (grade 4+) in English and Maths.

# Why is securing the basics so important

Securing the Basics proves to future employers and further education providers that you are both literate and numerate.

# Why is securing the basics so important

You will have to resit your English Language and Maths qualifications until you are 18 years old if you do not secure them in May 2024.





Do it  
**RIGHT**  
the  
**FIRST**  
time

# First Attempt In Learning

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1<sup>st</sup> Attempt  
November  
Mocks



# Second Attempt In Learning



2nd Attempt  
March Mocks

Start date 19<sup>th</sup>  
February 2024





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**SUCCESS IS NOT FINAL, FAILURE  
IS NOT FATAL, IT IS THE  
COURAGE TO CONTINUE THAT  
COUNTS.**



Whatever your current grade work hard to improve

Not sure what you can do?



• **Be Brave**

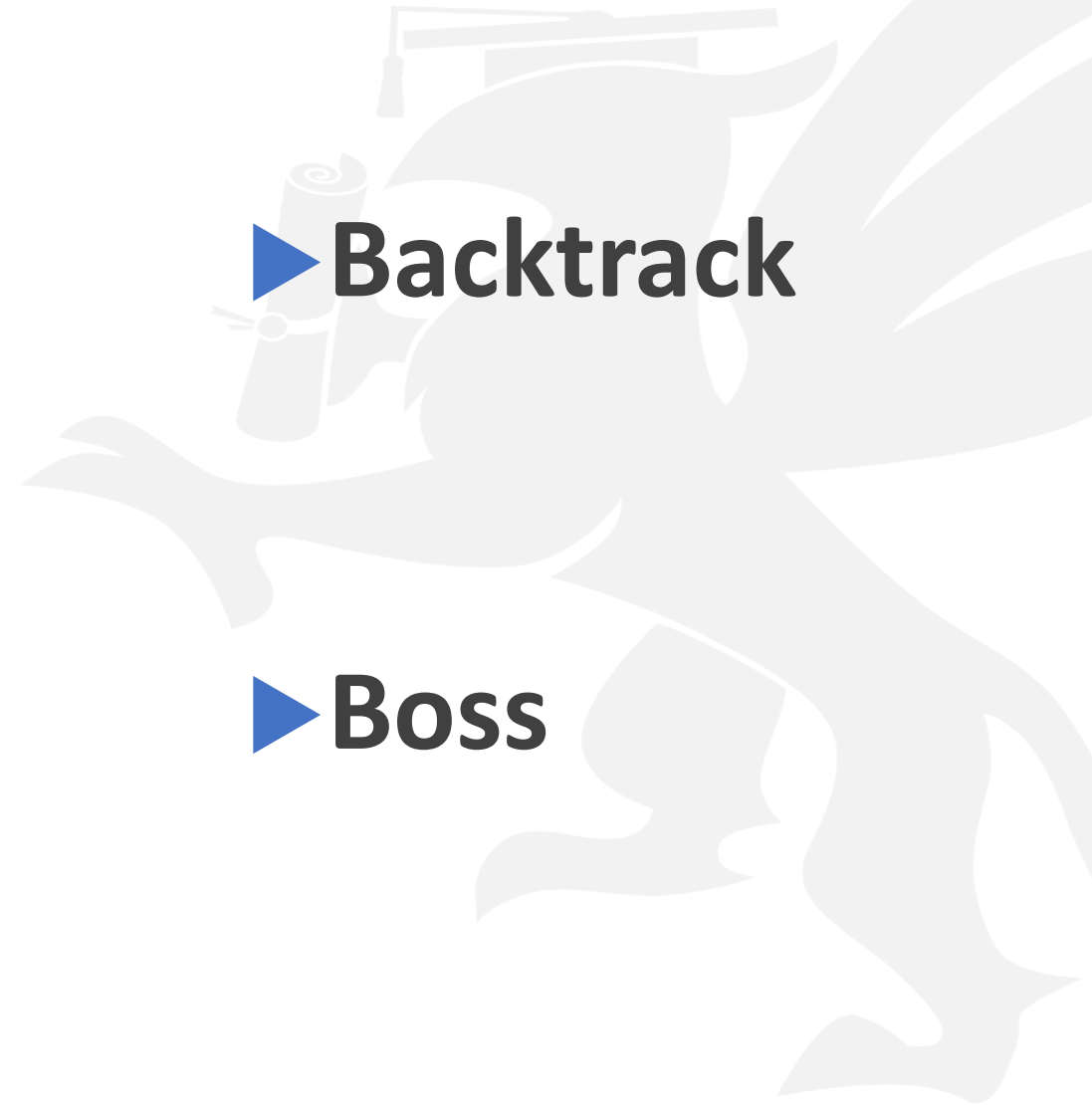
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▶ **Backtrack**

▶ **Bits and Bobs**

▶ **Buddy**

▶ **Boss**



# Be Brave

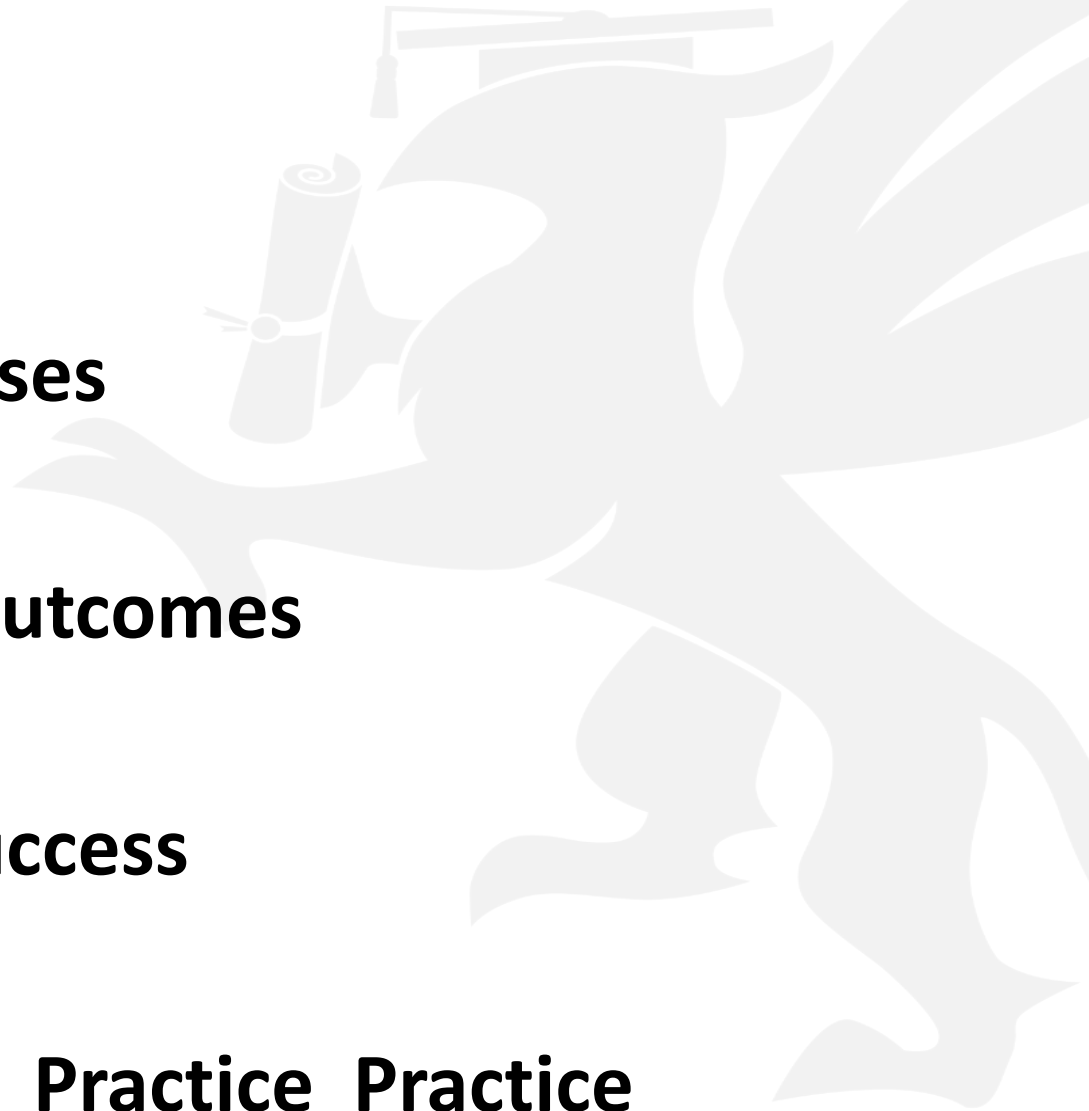
**No Excuses**

**Better outcomes**

**More success**

**Practice Practice Practice**

► [GCSE MOTIVATION!!! \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GCSE_MOTIVATION!!!)



# Be still

- Do you know your Maths and English Target grades?
- Do you know what you need to do to improve these grades?
- Consider what you have to do- look at your Personalised Learning Checklist- “Know and Shows”
- Take your mock and re-write your answers considering all of the advice you’ve been given



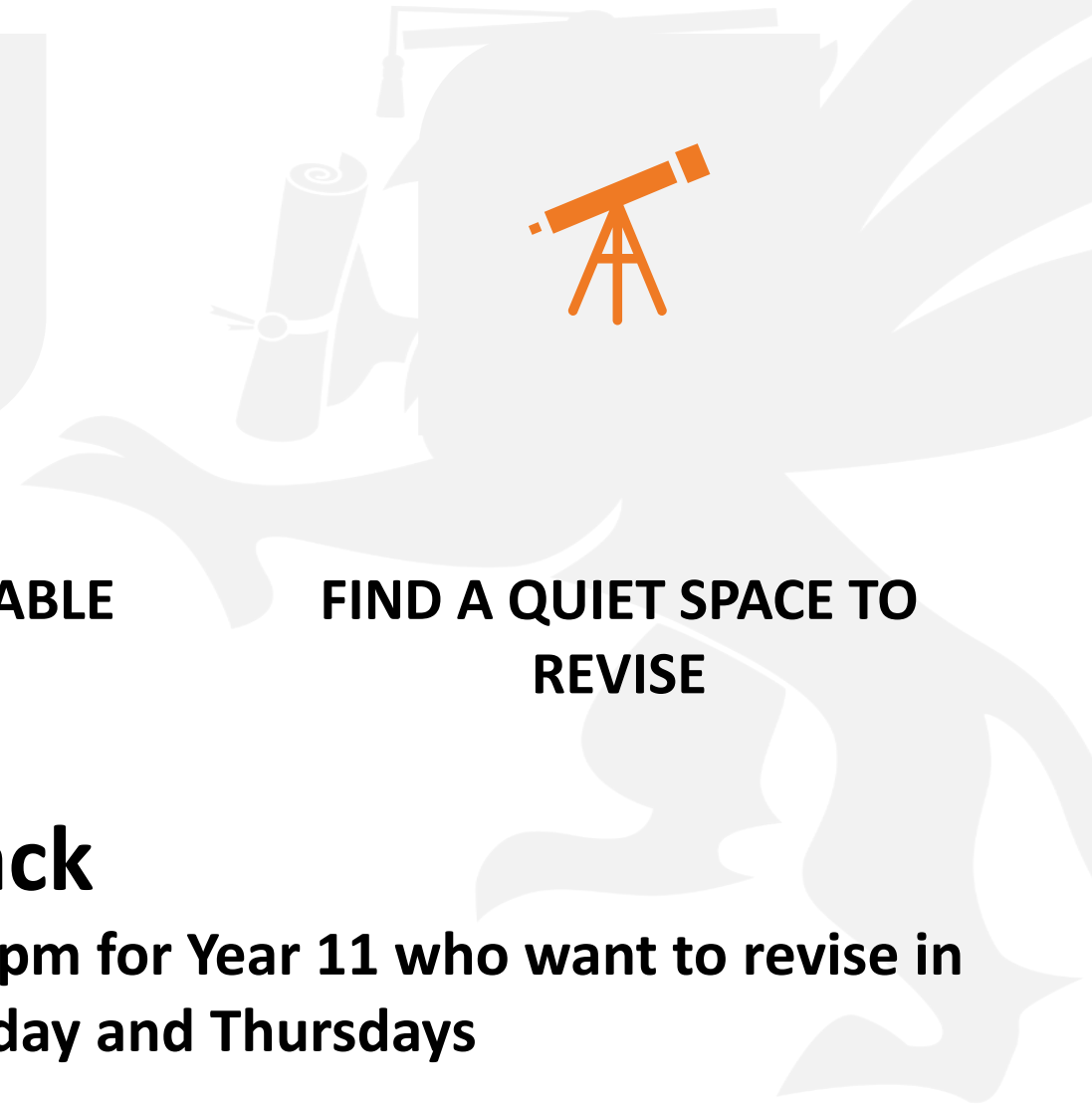




**REVISE**



**REVISION TIMETABLE**



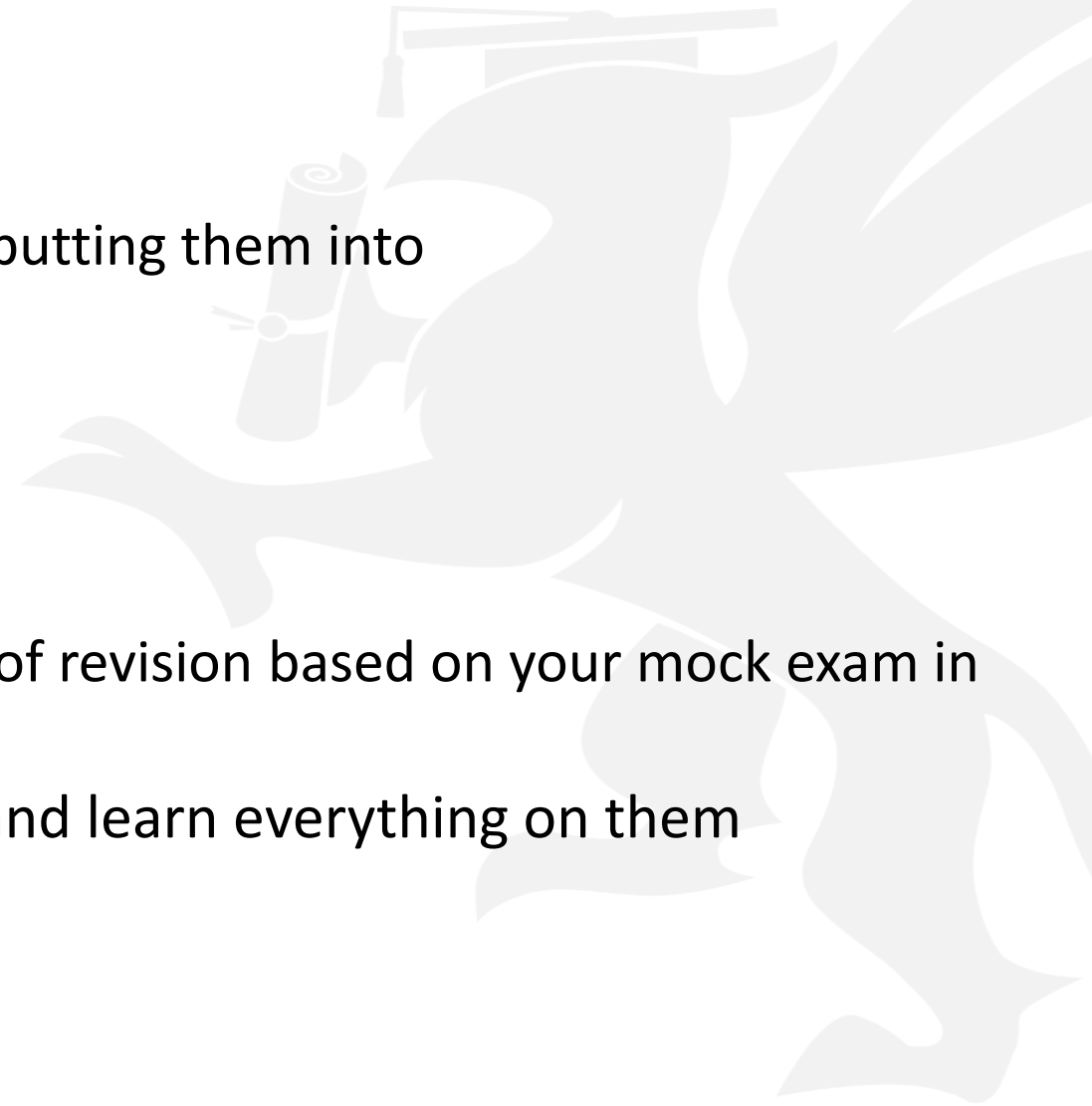
**FIND A QUIET SPACE TO  
REVISE**

## **Backtrack**

**We will make the library available until 5.00pm for Year 11 who want to revise in school- Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays**

# Bits and Bobs

- Learn 10 new words and practise spelling them and putting them into sentences/paragraphs
- Re-read your Literature texts
- Buy revision guides and use them
- Log on to [Seneca](#) and get your hours up!
- Use Sparx Corbett Maths to focus on your key areas of revision based on your mock exam in Maths.
- Make sure you have all the knowledge organisers and learn everything on them
- Create mindmaps
- Create flashcards of top tips for your exam



# Buddy



ASK A FRIEND WHO YOU KNOW HAS  
MASTERED CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE  
WORK



THIS WILL HELP YOU AND THEM

## **BOSS**

**Make sure your attendance at school is 100% so you access all the additional help being provided by your teacher!!**

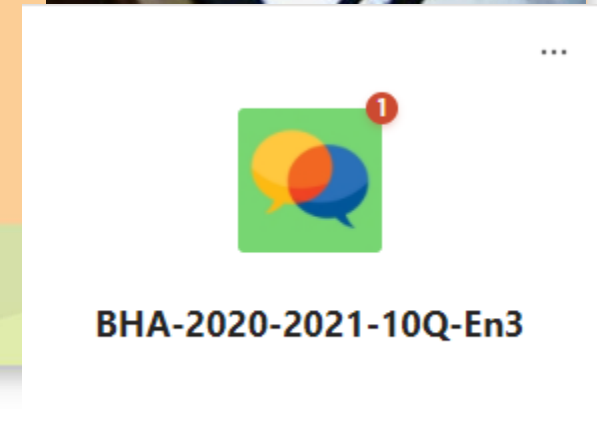
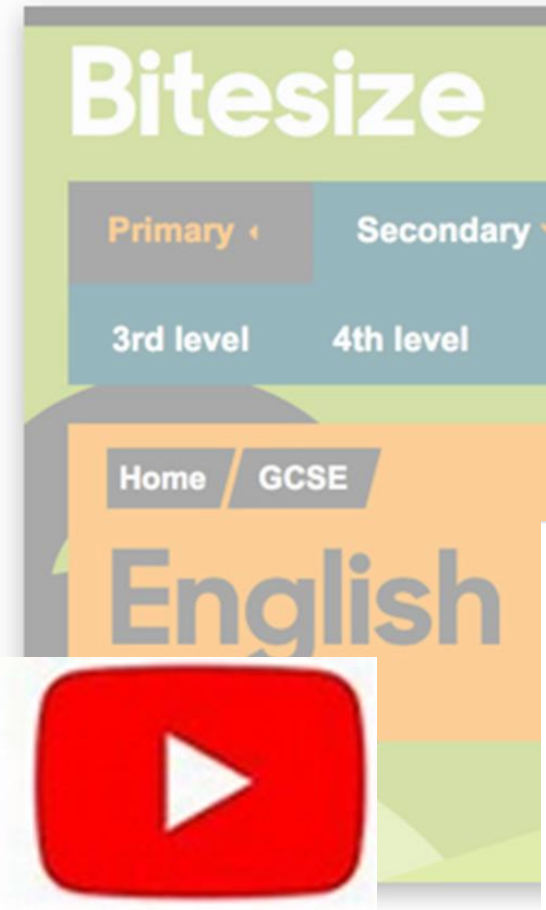
**Period 6 – Tuesday- Maths**

**Period 6 – Wednesday- Science**

**Period 6 – Thursday- English**

# Top tips to succeed in English

- **Know the texts!** Re-read, revise, and analyse the literature texts.
- **Know your methods!** Ensure that you know how to identify and explain the writer's methods.
- Read the news often – this will help you to be informed and to write well in Language Paper 2.
- Proof read all written work in all subjects. Check that you express your ideas clearly, coherently and SPaG is accurate.
- Use youtube/tiktok vidoes and make notes as you watch.
- Chunk revision into max 20-30 minute sessions.
- **Practice exam questions!** Make sure that you complete under timed conditions!





# Homework in English

Our **minimum** expectation is that you complete a page a day in the homework booklets you have been given. Failure to do so will result in catch up sessions on Mondays and Fridays.

Our **actual** expectation is that you are able to plan ahead, to understand the gaps you may have in your knowledge, and to regularly complete exam questions at home for your teachers to mark.

**The more you put in, the more practice you get, the easier your exams will become.**

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**A page a day revision**

**English Language**

**English Literature**

January – February 2024

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Top tips for succeeding in Mathematics

## 1. MODELLING AND PRACTICE.

YOUR TEACHER WILL SHOW YOU HOW TO ANSWER  
YOUR QUESTIONS INCLUDING HOW TO PRESENT

## 2. Homework.

Always do your homework.

## 3. Review your errors.

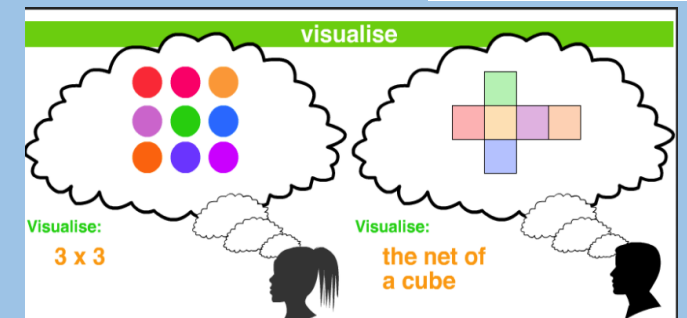
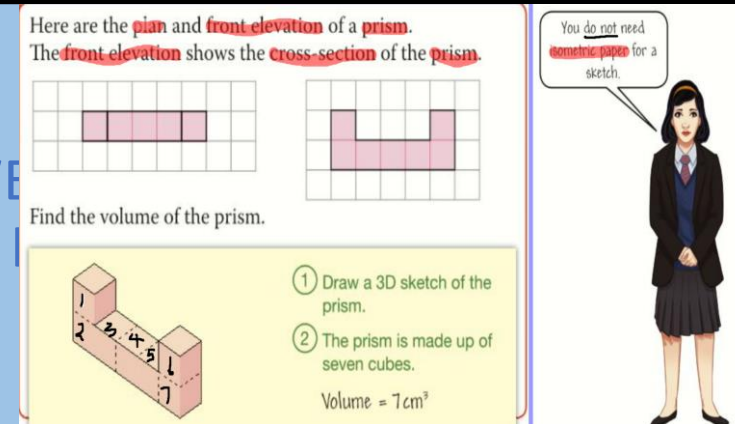
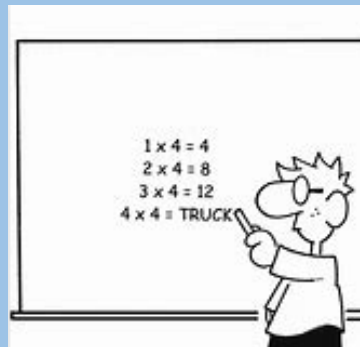
What can't you do? Where are you stuck?

## 4. Master Key Concepts.

Mathematics is a sequential subject.

## 5. Apply the Mathematics to the real world.

Mastery is the ability to use Mathematics in the real world.



SKILL NAME
Counting Numbers 1-10
Identifying Numbers 1-10
Comparing Numbers 1-10
Ordering Numbers 1-10
Writing Numbers 1-10
Counting Numbers 11-20
Identifying Numbers 11-20
Comparing Numbers 11-20

Parents ([sparx.co.uk](https://sparx.co.uk))

**Any questions?**



# Sparx Maths

# Reading Challenge

An open book lies on a dark wooden surface. From the pages, several paper flowers on thin white stems are rising. The background is a warm, golden-brown gradient, and numerous small, light-colored paper butterflies and birds are scattered throughout the air, creating a magical, dreamlike atmosphere.

Books/exam papers or  
whatever suits best to  
ensure they are  
learning outside of  
the classroom



# Revision

**Complete timed responses. These should be completed in a quiet room with no distractions. You should be strict with timings.**

English	Paper 1	Paper 2
Reading time	15 mins	15 mins
Question 1	5 mins	5 mins
Question 2	10 mins	10 mins
Question 3	10 mins	15 mins
Question 4	20 mins	20 mins
Question 5	45 mins	45 mins

The logo for Sparx Maths is centered on a white rectangular background. It features the text "Sparx Maths" in a bold, dark blue font. Surrounding the text are various light blue line-art icons related to mathematics, including a pencil, a ruler, a protractor, a compass, a set square, a graph, a calculator, and an eraser.

## Sparx Maths



# Your revision challenge:

Every time you complete some English or Maths based revision at home, show me evidence of this to receive a raffle ticket.

Once a week, one ticket will be picked out of the box to win a prize of your choice.



**PUSH YOURSELF  
BECAUSE, NO ONE  
ELSE IS GOING  
TO DO IT FOR YOU.**

*The secret  
to getting  
ahead is  
getting  
started*

**YOU DON'T  
WANT TO  
LOOK BACK  
AND KNOW  
YOU COULD'VE  
DONE BETTER.**





# Careers

Y11 students should already be filling in application forms for post 16 education. We recommend they fill in at least one, but two or three is suggested to give students choice. Mock results will help with predicted grades so matter! Support available from careers interviews on a Tuesday

