

YEAR 10

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REVISION

**The Romsey School Subject-by-Subject Guide
to Successful Revision**

Dear Year 10 student,

As it is quickly approaching your exams, your teachers at the Romsey School have decided to collect together some vital course information, revision websites and hints & tips that will help you succeed in your preparation for the Year 10 exams, commencing Wednesday 18th April.

Please take advantage of this booklet and use as many of the recommendations as your can. Try to attend as many revision sessions as possible over the coming months; you'll be surprised at just how much all of this extra support and advice will benefit you.

Good luck!

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General Revision Tips

Have you been told how useful a revision timetable is, but are struggling to put one together? Would you like an easier and more fun way to design revision resources to help you develop your knowledge and understanding in each of your subjects?

If this sounds a bit like you then go to this website: <https://getrevising.co.uk/make> where you can create your own study planner in about 10 minutes. The website allows you to enter in your exam dates and plans a timetable for you around these, things you do outside of school and your priorities. On this same website you can also create flashcards, revision cards, revision notes, quizzes, mind maps, crosswords, plus access lots of revision resources other students have made.

As important as your exams are, do remember to plan to have time away from your studies. Make sure you see friends and family still and keep doing the things you enjoy doing outside of school, be that playing a sport, an instrument, volunteering, going on walks with your dog or attending a club/society. Some people find they are more productive first thing in the morning, others later on in the day. Try both and see what works for you. After all a healthy, balanced lifestyle will help you perform better in your exams.

Did you know that your brain works better for short bursts of study (30-45 minutes at a time before a 10-15 minute break) and that it's important for you to alternate the style of revision? For example: create a mind map in your first revision session; do some past paper questions in the second and make flashcards in your final slot.

Lastly, don't leave it all until the last minute!! By planning and preparing a revision schedule you help self-manage your time equally between all your subjects.

6th - 12th June

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| | Mon 6th | Tue 7th | Wed 8th | Thu 9th | Fri 10th | Sat 11th | Sun 12th |
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| 09:00 - 10:00 | GCSE History (OCR) | GCSE English (AQA) | GCSE Geography (OCR) | GCSE Mathematics (Edexcel) Calculator | GCSE Science (Edexcel) Bio Additional | | GCSE Science (Edexcel) Chem Additional |
| 10:00 - 11:00 | | | | | | rugby | GCSE History (OCR) |
| 11:00 - 12:00 | School | School | School | School | School | | |
| 12:00 - 13:00 | | | | | | GCSE Design Technology: Product Design (OCR) | |
| 13:00 - 14:00 | | | | | | GCSE History (OCR) | |
| 14:00 - 15:00 | | | | | GCSE Business Studies (Edexcel) | | see friends |
| 15:00 - 16:00 | GCSE Business Studies (Edexcel) | GCSE Geography (OCR) | GCSE Mathematics (Edexcel) | GCSE Business Studies (Edexcel) | | Go to Gran's | |
| 16:00 - 17:00 | GCSE English (AQA) | GCSE Mathematics (Edexcel) | GCSE Science (Edexcel) Bio Additional | GCSE Science (Edexcel) Bio Additional | GCSE History (OCR) | | |
| 17:00 - 18:00 | | | GCSE Mathematics (Edexcel) | | | | |
| 18:00 - 19:00 | GCSE English (AQA) | GCSE Geography (OCR) | Swimming Practice | GCSE Business Studies (Edexcel) | see friends | | |
| 19:00 - 20:00 | | | | | | | |

What a one-week timetable you create on getrevising.co.uk could look like

Exam Timetable for Year 10

2018 Year 10 Exam Timetable

| Session | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Mon | Tues | Wed |
|----------------|------------------------------------|--|----------------------|---------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| | 18-Apr | 19-Apr | 20-Apr | 23-Apr | 24-Apr | 25-Apr |
| | Week 1 | Week 1 | Week 1 | Week 2 | Week 2 | Week 2 |
| 8.50am | Biology (all) 1h Gym & Hall | English Lit. (all) 1h30m Gym & Hall | History 1h45m | Physics (all) 1h Gym & Hall | RE (full only); Food 1h45m | Chemistry (all) 1h Gym & Hall |
| 11.20am | GCSE Business 1h30m; GCSE PE 1h | Sociology 1h45m; Computing 1h40m; | Geography 1h15m | Maths (all) 1h30m Gym & Hall | Resistant Materials; Textiles; Dance 1h30m | |
| 1.45pm | French & Spanish Writing 1h | Drama 1h | French Listening 35m | Spanish Listening 35m | French & Spanish Reading 45m | |

All exams are in the gym unless stated otherwise.

Business Studies

Course: GCSE Business (2017)

Exam Board: Edexcel

The Year 10 trial examination will be a 'Theme 1' paper and based on the subject content covered since the start of year 10. The topics are:

- 1.1 Enterprise and entrepreneurship
- 1.2 Spotting a business opportunity
- 1.3 Putting a business idea into practice
- 1.4 Making the business effective
- 1.5 Understanding external influences on business

You have been given a revision booklet which outlines the following:

- All of the subject content to revise
- The glossary terms you need to learn
- The formulas you are required to know
- The marks available for the three sections of the paper
- The command words used in the paper and the marks that relate to each
- Connective words to use and general exam tips

We will be using a revision booklet in the lessons leading up to the exam and it should also help plan home revision. In addition pupils will be given an example exam paper to help with exam preparation and understanding of how to structure effective answers. The Business text book will also be available to take home to support revision.

A copy of this booklet and the exam paper being used for revision along with the mark scheme (named sample assessment materials) is on the Romsey Learning Platform
(Courses- ICT and computing- KS4 option course- Edexcel Business Studies- New GCSE Business Studies (9-1)

Dance

Course: GCSE Dance (8236)

Exam board: AQA

Past papers and mark schemes can be found on the AQA website:

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/dance/gcse/dance-8236>

Online Revision:

- Get Revising <https://getrevising.co.uk/resources/level/gcse/subjects/dance>
- BBC Bitesize <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/z46pyrd/resources/1>
- A Linha Curva – Rambert Dance Company
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z_yqDn_2oPQ
<http://www.rambert.org.uk/performances/a-linha-curva/>
- Artificial Things – Stopgap dance company
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wNs8lPkOLmk>
<http://stopgapdance.com/productions/artificial-things-2014-stage>
- Emancipation of Expressionism – Boy Blue Entertainment
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p1thJqQrxYk>
<http://www.boyblueent.com/eoe.html>
- Infra – Wayne McGregor (Royal Ballet)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QUspTHgCtGo>
<http://waynemcgregor.com/productions/infra>
<http://www.roh.org.uk/learning/schools-and-colleges/gcsedance>
- Shadows – Christopher Bruce (Phoenix Dance Theatre)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bHmlCKqjzQU&index=8&list=PLBhgvcteMlthpNdpVUZjOMSoJxwSXS6l>
<http://www.phoenixdancetheatre.co.uk/access/gcse-dance/>
- Within Her Eyes – James Cousins Company
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uvC58t5JwhM>
<https://www.jamescousinscompany.com/within-her-eyes>

Specific Revision Techniques for Dance:

- Watch the Professional works in the Anthology regularly and familiarise yourself with them. Look at the fact files.
- Use PEEE – Point, Evidence, Explain, and Evaluate when answering the 12 mark questions.
- From September GCSE support and revision sessions are held every Friday 3-5pm. The Health Suite and Teacher one on one time is available to book every day after

school depending on availability. Booking sheets are on the wall outside the health suite.

- Your dance Teacher will provide you with Exam question examples and resources. Use your dance folders as a revision aid.

Drama

Course: GCSE Drama (8236)

Exam board: OCR

Written Exam - 1hr

Section A - Blood Brothers:

Website and Mark Scheme:

<http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse-drama-j316-from-2016/>

GCSE Bitesize: Blood Brothers

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/english_literature/dramabloodbrothers/

Blood Brothers video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dvekobj451Y&t=6833s>

Writing about Drama:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/z6mxsbk>

Romsey School Drama - RLP

<https://rlp.romsey.hants.sch.uk/rlp/mod/folder/view.php?id=928>

Computing

Course: GCSE Computing (8520)

Exam Board: AQA

There are several revision guides for this particular course. The 2 that I would recommend are the following.

AQA Computer Science for GCSE Student Book - ISBN 978-1471866197

GCSE Computer Science AQA Revision Guide– ISBN 978-1782949312

Please do bear in mind that these books are up dated each year with new content.

As you know, the course structure is weighted at 80% theory; this obviously means a lot of time needs to be spent recapping the core concepts of Computer Science.

All students have access to their theory books in their classroom and have been encouraged to take these home. The RLP is full of resources and past exam papers that can be accessed from home.

BBC Bitesize has been specifically designed around the new Computing specification, making it an excellent resource; with videos, interactive exercises and quick tests for each topic.

REVISION SESSION ARE ALSO HELD AFTER SCHOOL EVERY WEDNESDAY IN M7

English

| AQA English (8700) | AQA English Literature (8702) |
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| <p>Read, read, read... fiction, literary non-fiction and media texts</p> <p>Use any of the broadsheet newspaper websites (Guardian, Telegraph, Independent, Times) – use the comment/blog/opinion/culture tabs to find interesting articles to read</p> <p>Print off full articles – annotate for key points (Paper 1 Q1), language features (Paper 1 Q2 and Paper 2 Q3) writers' viewpoints (Paper 2 Q4), structure (Paper 1 Q3)</p> <p>Access sample papers via the AQA website – Google AQA sample papers – check the course code 8700</p> <p>BBC Bitesize has some useful guidance on analysing non-fiction texts, comparing texts and writing skills</p> | <p>There are text guides on Bitesize for: Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde, An Inspector Calls, Macbeth and some of the Power and Conflict poems</p> <p>www.revisionworld.com has resources on DNA, Macbeth and An Inspector Calls</p> <p>To find other resources on the poems you could try searching by poem title</p> <p>www.yorknotes.com also provide useful text guides</p> <p>You should also check out www.shmoop.com – use the Learning Guides tab, then click Literature and use the A-Z to search for your text</p> <p>Remember both Literature papers are closed text exams - make some key quotation cue cards for each text and get learning!</p> <p>Access sample papers via the AQA website – Google AQA sample papers – check the course code: 8702</p> |
| <p>The trial exam for Year 10 this April will be a partial Literature Paper 2 (Anthology Poetry and Unseen Poetry) – relevant revision suggestions are in bold.</p> <p>We also sell a full range of revision guides through the department – a letter was sent home via Parent Mail.</p> | |

Geography

Year 10 Geography trial exam revision list and recommended revision guide

1. Recommended OUP GCSE 9-1 Geography AQA Revision Guide ISBN: 978-0-19-842346-1 Approx. cost £6.50
2. Trial exam is 1 hour 15 minutes in length with 3 questions to answer one from each of the following

Coasts Revision List

- 1) **Coastal landscapes:** processes of erosion, transportation, weathering and deposition, coastal features created by erosion and deposition. Also explaining how hard and soft engineering protect the coastline and the benefits and costs of these different methods such as groynes

Rivers Revision List

River landscapes: processes such as erosion, transportation and deposition along with upland and lowland river features created by erosion and deposition. Explaining human and physical causes of flooding and managing flood risk such as the scheme in Boscastle.

Urban Issues and Challenges Revision List

1) **Urban world** explaining how successful attempts have been to improve the quality of life for residents in a LIC or NEE city such as Rio or Mumbai. Explain why growth in megacities is now mostly happening in LICs/NEEs and be able to interpret urban population graphs.

2) **Urban change in the UK** explaining how urban regeneration projects can reduce urban deprivation in cities such as London including effective use of OS map skills, for example, grid references and measuring distances.

3) **Sustainable urban development** explaining how features of urban sustainable projects such as BEDZED and Freiburg lead to a sustainable living. Explain different methods of managing traffic congestion in urban areas such as additional bus routes and park and ride schemes.

REMEMBER GENERAL MAP AND PHOTOGRAPH SKILLS SUCH AS GRID REFERENCES, DISTANCES, IDENTIFYING PHYSICAL FEATURES AND THE DIRECTION A PHOTOGRAPH WAS TAKEN FROM.

Suggested revision strategies: Pupils should be personalising a revision programme to their particular learning preference, this could include revision posters, mind maps, past papers and revision cards.

History

Course: GCSE History (*America, Interwar Years, Medicine and Elizabethans*) **Exam Board:** AQA

The history department has given out an information sheet to all pupils with a list of all of the topics that will be in the Year 10 exam.

The Year 10 exam is on AMERICA and THE INTERWAR YEARS only.

There are lots of revision materials available on the school RLP, including our YouTube channel.

Pupils will be invited to attend lunchtime revision sessions throughout the week, for several weeks. An overview of the entire revision programme will be published so that pupils can see which topics are being covered each week.

The more revision sessions attended the better. Attendance at revision sessions can improve attainment by an entire grade.

Mathematics

Higher Course: Edexcel Mathematics 9-1 GCSE (1MA1H)

Foundation Course: Edexcel Mathematics 9-1 GCSE (1MA1F)

To be successful in your mathematics exam, your maths teacher will have already provided you with a topic list to revise from. It is important that you focus your revision, practising topic areas you are less confident in.

Also, every Tuesday afterschool, the maths team runs a **Maths Revision Clinic** in classrooms M14 and M15. You are encouraged to attend and may work on past papers, homework given to you by your maths teacher, or you can seek guidance with an area of maths you know you are struggling with.

Useful Websites for maths revision:

- www.mymaths.co.uk **Login= romsey Password= linear**
- <http://mrbartonmaths.com/students/gcse/> a fantastic resource that has access to past papers (with model solutions, mark schemes and videoed solutions) and topic based question packs which also include videos
- <http://corbettmaths.com> useful for video explanations, topic based revision and '5-a-day' practise questions

Should you wish for paper resources instead of electronic, Revision Guides and Revision Workbooks can be purchased from Amazon.co.uk, or on the high street. We recommend either the Pearson Revision Guide and Workbook, or the Letts for Edexcel Revision Guide. Both come in Foundation and Higher Tier.

Modern Foreign Languages

Courses: French (8658), Spanish (8698) and German (8668)

Exam Board: AQA

For your summer exams you need to be clear that you will be tested on your ability to write French from memory and to recognise French language when you read and hear it. In order to achieve success in the writing paper you need to learn a range of key connective and opinion phrases to write from memory in addition to learning 10 key past tense phrases. You must also learn verb endings and how to form the future tense.

How do I revise?

Online revision:

- www.vocabexpress.com
- www.linguascope.com – go on to the advanced section and listen to the intro and play the games **Username=romsey Password=gomme**
- BBC Bitesize – listening and reading
- Quizlet.com – Ask to join French_Romsey. Relevant material will be added throughout the year.
- Use the revision guides and exam workbook
- Use the work from class focusing on back-to-back and simultaneous translations as they have key vocabulary from each of the main themes. Choose 3-5 key words/phrases from each of these themes so that you can use them from memory.

Watch DVDs with the language changed and the matching MFL sub-titles.

Use the vocab section at the end of each module in your textbook.

Specific Revision Technique for MFL: You need to be revising *little* and *often*.

You should be employing the techniques that have been explained to you. Working in pairs is a great idea for vocab learning.

Revise in batches of no more than 30 minutes and focus on looking at the MFL and testing yourself by writing/saying the English and French.

PE

Course: GCSE Physical Education (4890)

Exam board: AQA

Past papers and mark schemes can be found on the AQA website:

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/physical-education/gcse/physical-education-4890>

Online revision:

- BBC bitesize: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/znyb4wx>
- Teach PE: <http://www.teachpe.com/>
- RevisionWorld: <http://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision/pe-physical-education/aqa-gcse-physical-education-pe> (Make sure 'Full course' is selected).
- Sport Academy: a BBC run website for up to date news on sport: www.bbc.co.uk/sportsacademy4
- Brian MacSports Coach: information on coaching, sports, nutrition and more: www.brianmac.co.uk
- Interactive Resources for GCSE PE: GCSE PE questions answered: www.interactivepe.co.uk
- British Olympic Association: everything you need to know about the Olympics www.britisholympicassociation.co.uk
- Youth sports trust: all the information about the programmes that they run to support sport <http://www.youthsporttrust.org/how-we-can-help/programmes.aspx>
- Lots of very useful videos on youtube.

Revision textbooks can be purchased from the PE department for £2.50

The PE department will hand out the 'Topic on a Page' revision resource in class to you

Specific Revision technique useful for GCSE PE: apply 'PELE' (Point, Explain, Link to Effect) to all exam answers. More revision strategies will be covered during lessons and after school sessions.

Science

Course: Edexcel Combined Science

Course: Edexcel Individual Sciences Route (Separate Physics, Chemistry and Biology)

The syllabus, past papers and mark schemes (these are very limited with it being a new course) can be downloaded from:

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/sciences-2016.html>

Recommended revision guide: CGP for guides and workbooks. Guides can be purchased through the school at a reduced cost and the workbooks from the web site

<https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/>

It is important to ensure that you get the guide/workbook that is written for the Edexcel examination as several boards are covered.

Revision strategies specific to Science: depend very much on you, the individual so we advocate all that are taught in the school. However, there is still a lot of factual recall on the exams at present and a solid way of remembering facts of this type is the "*look, cover, write, check*" method. In Physics especially there are a lot of equations to now memorize and questions will be asked directly concerning these. We also recommend you get friends and family members to test them on the meanings of key words. Accurate use of these is vital in constructing coherent answers. More able students need to be able to apply this knowledge to new situations and the best way to learn how to do this is to look through multiple past papers along with their mark schemes to see the different ways that the exam board approaches the ideas. This often requires you to link several pieces of evidence and then justify why it answers the question asked. The truest test of properly understanding a concept is being able to teach somebody else to understand it too. If you can master this, you can be confident that you fully understand the concept.

Food Preparation & Nutrition

Course: Catering Single Award (4730LA)

Exam Board: WJEC

Use the Revision guide booklet, that has been given out in class, to support you.

Make a set of revision cards to revise Key words. Put together Mind maps, 1 A4 Page per topic will help with the organisation of revision notes.

Use past papers (picking out those questions that are relevant) to revise typical exam questions. Underline key words to help structure higher mark questions.

To find past papers you can look on the WJEC web site or on the RLP under KS4 Catering-New specification. (Please bear in mind that as this is a new GCSE, past papers will be for the old Catering GCSE, so not all questions will be relevant).

Use BBC bitesize www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/z48jmp3

Product Design: Textiles

Course: Product Design: Textiles GCSE (1DTO) Exam Board : Edexcel

Recommended revision book: GCSE Design and Technology Textiles from Coordination Group Publications (TTR41) And Product Design from Coordination Group Publications.

Pupils will be given a work book from which they can do revision using key questions. This revision book Can be self-marked using the mark scheme in school - pupils can do this by seeing their teacher. Preparation for revision will need to be done using their revision timetable, and pupils will be given packs of information to help them with further developing their knowledge and understanding in time for their written exam.

The exam will test them on core knowledge of Design Technology, in particular materials and equipment that can be used across all areas of Product Design, and all pupils have this information in their ring binder folders, which they will need to revise from.

Since some knowledge of numeracy is also now included in the written exam, they will need to refer to what they should know in their help booklet on mathematical knowledge. Sample questions will be provided.

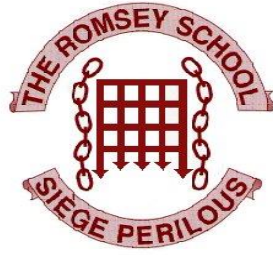
Sample exam papers will be available for use to practise during the Easter holidays.

Underline key words when carrying out revision to ensure you understand them and their definition.

This is a new GCSE course therefore past papers do not exist. However, Product Design past papers can be accessed through other exam boards on line sites including AQA.

On line revision:

1. <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zki2tfr> - BBC Bitesize
2. <http://www.designandtech.net/>
3. www.technology.student.com



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