

## English

- English Language and Literature
- Exam board AQA
- 2 Literature Exams and 2 language Exams (breakdown attached at end of booklet)
- AQA website contains mock exams and mark schemes.
- Link for relevant revision books (GCP) These are the ones we are offering at a discount. [https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/Parent/books\\_gcse\\_english.books\\_gcse\\_english\\_settexts](https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/Parent/books_gcse_english.books_gcse_english_settexts)
- Wednesday after school- English revision/catch up.
- Get your son/daughter to read 3/4 times a week. Half an hour of reading a magazine, newspaper (broadsheet) or web page with a two/three line written summary of what they read. Reading outside of school drastically improves pupils' skills of reading for meaning- a key skill not only in English but for life!

## Maths

Exam board - Edexcel.

3 papers each 1 hour and 30 minutes. 1 non calculator, 2 calculator testing knowledge over 4 key areas: Algebra, Number, Geometry and Data.

[corbettmaths.com](http://corbettmaths.com) - has instructional videos along with past paper questions and textbook exercises.

mymaths - username: Plymouth password: Square128

Currently offering Wednesday Lunchtime to go through past topics and exam questions.

I'd recommend.... doing something little and often, even as little as 10 minutes a day soon adds up. Watching quick video clips of different topics everyday to help with revision (available on corbett maths), also means that parents who may struggle with maths can learn and help their child more easily with past exam questions.

## GCSE FRENCH- Edexcel

Assessment:

- Paper 1: Listening and understanding in French (exam, Foundation 30 minutes, Higher 40 minutes)
- Paper 2: Speaking in French (exam, Foundation 7-9 minutes, Higher 10-12: 3 tasks)
- Paper 3: Reading and understanding in French (exam, Foundation 45 minutes, Higher 60 minutes)

- Paper 4: Writing in French (exam, Foundation 60 minutes, Higher 80) minutes)

#### Recommended Resources

Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) French Revision Guide

Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) French Revision Workbook

#### GCSE SPANISH – EDEXCEL

##### Assessment:

- Paper 1: Listening and understanding in Spanish (exam, Foundation 30 minutes, Higher 40 minutes)
- Paper 2: Speaking in Spanish (exam, Foundation 7-9 minutes, Higher 10-12: 3 tasks)
- Paper 3: Reading and understanding in Spanish (exam, Foundation 45 minutes, Higher 60 minutes)
- Paper 4: Writing in Spanish (exam, Foundation 60 minutes, Higher 80) minutes)

#### Recommended Resources

Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Spanish Revision Guide

Revise Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Spanish Revision Workbook

#### Interventions

Thursday 1.15-1.45

Parents: please encourage your children to use a variety of learning methods: writing notes, using post-its, creating posters, use of colour and symbol. Repetition is key for MFL; try to test you children to check learning.

#### PE

AQA Physical Education

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Current interventions Friday 8am.

Parents can help by downloading practice papers and revision guides.

#### Paper 1

What's assessed

- Applied anatomy and physiology

- Movement analysis
- Physical training
- Use of data
- How it's assessed
- Written exam: 1 hour 15 minutes
- 78 marks
- 30% of GCSE

## Paper 2

What's assessed

- Sports psychology
- Socio-cultural influences
- Health, fitness and well-being
- Use of data

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 1 hour 15 minutes
- 78 marks
- 30% of GCSE

## Geography

AQA

Intervention: Thursday 3.35.

Parents can download exam papers and revision guides

### Paper 1

What's assessed

3.1.1 The challenge of natural hazards, 3.1.2 The living world, 3.1.3 Physical landscapes in the UK, 3.4 Geographical skills

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes
- 88 marks (including 3 marks for spelling, punctuation, grammar and specialist terminology (SPaG))
- 35% of GCSE

### Paper 2

What's assessed

3.2.1 Urban issues and challenges, 3.2.2 The changing economic world, 3.2.3 The challenge of resource management, 3.4 Geographical skills

How it's assessed

- Written exam: 1 hour 30 minutes
- 88 marks (including 3 marks for SPaG)
- 35% of GCSE

### Paper 3

What's assessed

3.3.1 Issue evaluation, 3.3.2 Fieldwork, 3.4 Geographical skills

How it's assessed

- **Written exam: 1 hour 15 minutes**
- 76 marks (including 6 marks for SPaG)
- 30% of GCSE
- Pre-release resources booklet made available 12 weeks before Paper 3 exam

### Science – exam board AQA

Biology Separate GCSE	Chemistry Separate GCSE	Physics Separate GCSE
<p>Paper 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cell biology and microscopy</li> <li>• Organisation</li> <li>• Infections and response</li> <li>• Bioenergetics</li> </ul>	<p>Paper 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Atomic structure and the periodic table;</li> <li>• Bonding, structure, and the properties of matter;</li> <li>• Quantitative chemistry, Chemical changes; and Energy changes.</li> </ul>	<p>Paper 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Energy;</li> <li>• Electricity;</li> <li>• Particle model of matter; and Atomic structure.</li> </ul>
<p>Paper 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homeostasis and response</li> <li>• Inheritance</li> <li>• Variation and Evolution</li> <li>• Ecology</li> </ul>	<p>Paper 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The rate and extent of chemical change;</li> <li>• Organic chemistry;</li> <li>• Chemical analysis, Chemistry of the atmosphere; and Using resources</li> </ul>	<p>Paper 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forces;</li> <li>• Waves; Magnetism and electromagnetism; and Space physics.</li> </ul>

2 x written 1 hour and 45 minutes 100% Exam for each individual science

Foundation and Higher  
50% GCSE

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By all means get revision guides but work books are the best way to find information and assess knowledge and understanding. Do not just copy notes. Summarise, review, answer past exam questions and complete a work book.

- Use You Tube to find videos on any concepts you need help with.
- Biology is language heavy and there is a lot of content to know. Keep a glossary of terms and definitions.
- Physics – learn the equations! You will not be provided with a list of the equations in the exam
- Use the PLCs provided and stapled in front of books
- Interventions offered from 15:35 on Friday