

How to revise for English Language

1) Use the recommended guides to revise key skills/questions

REVISE Edexcel GCSE (9-1) English Language Revision Guide (REVISE Edexcel GCSE English 2015)

ISBN-10: 1447988086

• **ISBN-13**: 978-1447988083

REVISE Edexcel GCSE English Language Revision Workbook: For the 9-1 Exams (REVISE Edexcel GCSE English 2015)

ISBN-10: 1447987896

• **ISBN-13**: 978-1447987895

- 2) **Revisit Section B** the writing section of last year's PPE and remind yourself of any targets/feedback
- 3) Watch Mr Bruff videos on youtube on: semi-colons, commas, sentence variety and apostrophes to revise these core skills. If you type in Mr Bruff A06 the relevant videos will show up.
- 4) **Revisit any marking/feedback** for each skill area that is covered in the exams.
- 5) **Visit BBC bitesize** just Google BBC bitesize English Language Edexcel 9-1 and the below link should come up! http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zr9d7ty
- 6) **Communicate with your teachers**. If you are unsure about anything or if you need specific help you must ask your teacher. Make an appointment to close any gaps in your knowledge.
- 7) Use any of the PPE papers to revisit past attempts of questions.



How to revise for English Literature

We recommend the York notes revision guides and workbooks for revision. See details below. We have followed the Edexcel syllabus.

All students have studied:

Shakespeare

Romeo and Juliet: York Notes for GCSE (9-1)

ISBN-10: 1447982231ISBN-13: 978-1447982234

Romeo and Juliet: York Notes for GCSE Workbook: Grades 9-1

ISBN-10: 1292100826ISBN-13: 978-1292100821

Modern Drama

Please check which play have you studied:

An Inspector Calls

OR

Journey's End

An Inspector Calls: York Notes for GCSE (9-1)

ISBN-10: 1447982169ISBN-13: 978-1447982166

An Inspector Calls: York Notes for GCSE Workbook: Grades 9-1

ISBN-10: 1292100796ISBN-13: 978-1292100791

Journey's End: York Notes for GCSE

ISBN-10: 1405835621ISBN-13: 978-1405835626

19th Century Novel

Please check you know which novel you have studied

- Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde
- A Christmas Carol
- Great Expectations

Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde: York Notes for GCSE (9-1)

ISBN-10: 1447982185ISBN-13: 978-1447982180

The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde: York Notes for GCSE (9-1) Workbook



ISBN-10: 1292138084ISBN-13: 978-1292138084

A Christmas Carol: York Notes for GCSE (9-1)

ISBN-10: 1447982126ISBN-13: 978-1447982128

A Christmas Carol: York Notes for GCSE (9-1) Workbook

ISBN-10: 1292138076ISBN-13: 978-1292138077

Great Expectations: York Notes for GCSE (9-1)

ISBN-10: 1447982150ISBN-13: 978-1447982159

Great Expectations: York Notes for GCSE (9-1) Workbook

ISBN-10: 1292138106ISBN-13: 978-1292138107

Tasks for revision:

- Creating mind maps for characters, themes and ideas.
- Spend time learning and memorising quotations for each element of the closed book examinations (Shakespeare, Poetry, Modern Drama and 19th Century text)
- Attempt past papers or questions from the workbooks.
- Watch Mr Bruff videos on the key Literature texts (please check you are only
 watching videos that relate to our set texts as Mr Bruff covers all exam boards and
 we have taught Edexcel) https://www.youtube.com/user/mrbruff/playlists

ALL students should watch the Romeo and Juliet videos/

 https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLqGFsWf-PcB7YAoARj6iAFCglAfy9aN2

Please check for the post-1914 play or 19thy century novel

An Inspector Calls

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLqGFsWf-P-cDvuiSH8SycEDh1Ugke9tmb

Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLgGFsWf-P-cD6Q25r3wSEIHP6JIU8UK-f

A Christmas Carol

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLgGFsWf-P-cBhNFldX59nQmTodoDmDQsh

Great Expectations

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLqGFsWf-P-cB91yYIPsMe2POaDQGVfEhq



Top tips for maths revision:

- The most effective way of revising maths is to answer questions.
 Reading through notes is necessary, but it will not suffice on its own.
- Get yourself the Pearson Edexcel guide and workbook. These allow you to fully understand a topic and complete questions on it.

Higher Tier Revision Guide ISBN: 9781447988090

Higher Tier Workbook ISBN: 9781447987932

Foundation Tier Revision Guide ISBN: 9781447988045

Foundation Tier Workbook ISBN: 9781447987925

- Use your past papers/self-assessment sheets/topics list to **identify a topic** you need to improve and **do something about it**. Make sure you learn how to do it and complete some questions on it.
- Communicate with your teachers. If you are unsure about anything or
 if you need specific help you must ask your teacher. Make an
 appointment to close any gaps in your knowledge.
- Attend KS4 Maths Drop-In: Tuesdays 3pm-4pm in M2.
- Do 5 questions a day these are on a range of topics. There may be one question you cannot do on these...http://corbettmaths.com/5-a-day/gcse1/
- Complete part of a booster pack on mymaths.
- Complete past papers and mark it using the mark schemes.
 http://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/
- Remember to highlight keywords and information.
- Remember to check through your answers afterwards.



Science – revision and exam technique guide

Course

Double Science	Triple Science
- AQA GCSE Science A (4405)	- AQA GCSE Biology (4401)
 AQA GCSE Additional Science (4408) 	- AQA GCSE Chemistry (4402)
	- AQA GCSE Physics (4403)

Revision resources

- CPG Revision guides specific to your course
- Google Classroom
- Past papers

What can you do to revise?

- Find a quiet place to revise and turn off your phone. Take a short break every hour or so.
- **Keyword glossary:** Write down the keywords and their definitions
- **Simplify:** Break down your topic/sub-topic into keywords, diagrams and pictures. There are lots of ways to do this, find one that works for you.
- **Reduce:** Take the work you have simplified and turn it into even smaller piece of information.
- **Explode:** Take all the pieces of information you have reduced and start to find links between them joining different topics together.
- **Fact posters:** Make a poster of the key facts, things that you need to remember and stick them in places that you look at every day.
- **Talk to someone:** Give your notes to someone who will listen and talk to them about the topic you are studying.
- **Past paper questions:** Use past paper to get a feel for the type of questions you will be asked. Initially you should use the past papers with your notes and try and get everything right. As you get close to the exams you should use the questions to work on your timing and exam technique, do the questions under exam conditions.
- Mark schemes and examiners reports: You should use the mark scheme to get a feel for what the examiner wants you to say. Mark your work and improve your answers by using the examiners key terms and phrases. Examiners reports tell you where most candidates scored their marks and what the better candidates said to get the higher marks. Use these to support your answers to questions.

Exam questions – General tips

- Read all the information in the question.
- Circle any command words given in the question
- **Underline** any **important pieces of information** given in the question
- How many marks is the question, the exam board give you one minute per mark. Don't spend five minutes trying to answer a one mark question, move on and return to it at the end.
- How many marks is the question, the exam board usually expect one keyword/piece of information per marking point.
- Does the question contain **two or more command words**? You must **address each command** word in your answer.



Exam questions - Command words

Calculate:

- Use the numbers given in the question to work out the answer. Remember your equations sheet.
- **Show all your working**, you may be awarded marks for the method even if the final answer is incorrect.
- Always give the units, you may get a mark for the correct unit even if the calculation is wrong.

Compare:

- This requires you to **describe** the **similarities** and **differences** between things.
- **Do not** just write about one thing.
- If you are asked to "compare x with y", you need to write down something about x and something about y using comparatives, e.g. x is bigger that y.

Complete:

- You will be given either a **diagram**, **spaces** in a sentence or a **table** to fill in.
- Answers should be written in the space provided.

Describe:

- You should **recall** some facts, events or process in an **accurate** way.
- You may need to **give an account** of what something looked like, or what happened.
- You may be asked to give details of a **trend** or **pattern** in some data.

Draw:

- You may be asked to **produce** a diagram.
- You may be asked to **add a line of best fit** to a graph.

Evaluate:

- You should use the **information supplied** or your **own knowledge and understanding** to consider the **evidence for and against** and draw **conclusions**.
- This is more than "compare" you will need to write down some of the **pros** and **cons**, **and** then **state** which one is better and why.
- You should complete your answer with a **conclusion.**

Explain:

- You should state the reasons why something happened.
- The points in your answer **must** be linked to your **scientific knowledge**.

State/name:

- Your answers should be short, concise and to the point!
- Often it can be answered with a single word, phrase or sentence.
- If the question asks you for **one** (or **two** etc) examples, you should write down **only** the specified number of answers, or you may lose marks for any wrong examples given.

Suggest:

- Used in questions where you need to apply your knowledge and understanding to a new situation.
- Often there may be more than one correct answer but you are expected to explain your answer using scientific knowledge and/or principles.



${\it Use the information in the passage/diagram/graph/table:}$

- The answer **must** be based on the information given in the question.
 Unless the **information given in the question is used**, no marks can be given.



How to revise GCSE Business Studies

Which examinations will I be sitting?

The specification is Edexcel GCSE Business Studies and you will sit the following examinations this summer:

Unit 1: Introduction to Small Business

- 45 minutes
- Compulsory multiple-choice questions
- 25% of the total GCSE qualification
- Monday 23rd May 2016 (afternoon)

Unit 3: Building a Business

- I hour 30 minutes
- Combination of short and extended questions
- 50% of the total GCSE qualification
- Friday 10th June 2016 (afternoon)

Which topics should I be revising?

Unit I:

- 1.1: Spotting a Business Opportunity
- 1.2: Showing Enterprise
- 1.3: Putting a Business Idea into Practice
- 1.4: Making the Start-up Effective
- 1.5: Understanding the Economic Context

Unit 3:

- 3.1: Marketing
- 3.2: Meeting Customer Needs
- 3.3: Effective Financial Management
- 3.4: Effective People Management
- 3.5: The Wider World Affecting
- **Business**

What should I revise?

Subject content <u>and</u> practice examination technique – both are key. You will need to have a thorough knowledge of the content above <u>and</u> also how the examiner wants you to apply it in order to access the higher grade bands. The key to success in examinations and revision often lies in the right planning. Know your strengths and weaknesses and create a revision plan accordingly, putting more time into your weaker areas. Revise one topic at a time, and consider how the topics interrelate.

How should I revise for Business Studies?

I. Practising questions using past examination papers:

The most important and useful way to revise is by completing as many past papers for unit I and unit 3 as possible. The more past papers you complete, the better your examination technique and knowledge will become. All past papers for both units are saved on the school shared docs area and are available on the VLE.



2. Attend all of the department 'past paper' club sessions:

These dates have been emailed out to parents and you have been informed. Practice makes perfect!

3. Learn all of the key terminology for unit I and unit 3:

There are many definitions that must be learnt in preparation for both units. Ensure you have got a copy of the key terminology for each sub-unit.

4. Learn all of the formulae for unit I and unit 3:

Ensure you have a copy for the formulae sheets for both units.

5. Actively use your Personal Learning Checklist (PLCs):

Use your Personal Learning Checklists to see the breakdown of different topics and which areas you need to focus your revision on the most. Use this document to highlight any gaps in your knowledge and start your revision there.

6. Use revision cards:

Use revision cards to help make links and connections between different topics. For example, write on one side 'increase profit' and on the other side the 'methods' to achieve this. Ask a friend or someone at home to test you on what you are learning.

7. Mind-mapping:

On a sheet of A4 or A3 paper produce an overview of a topic you are revising. Use colour for different concepts and link them together explaining how one links to another (cause and effect). This will give you a clear overview of how different Business Studies topics are linked together.

8. Summarising:

Summarising key facts and content on flash cards or lined paper: read through your notes and pick out the key points; write those down. From these key points you should be able to elaborate further when recalling them in an exam.

9. Purchase the Course Revision Guide and Student Workbook:

These resources will help to complement your revision techniques:

We recommend:

Revise Edexcel GCSE Business Revision Guide: Units 1, 3 & 5. ISBN: 9781446903735

Revise Edexcel GCSE Business Revision Workbook: Units 1, 3 & 5. ISBN: 9781446903766

10. Communicate!

If you are not sure about something or need specific help, please ask your teacher for an appointment to close any gaps in your knowledge.

II. Use the online tools to complement your revision:

https:qualifications.pearson.com

www.examzone.co.uk

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/

www.bized.co.uk

www.s.cool.co.uk

www.bized.co.uk

www.revisionguru.co.uk

www.tutor2u.net/revision notes gcse



Catering

1. Only revise from the GREEN sections GCSE Catering (single award) pages 1-108.Go through each chapter in the textbook you were issued- making notes and answering the exam questions Part 1 pages 189- 196 (catering questions) checking your answers. Then read the "exam tips" Pages 206-7.

Find your class notes and highlight the relevant sections. You must also revise the Glossary terms pages 208-210 as some of these ALWAYS come up in questions 1 and 2.

- 2. Use the Red Catering Revision guide (WJEC) to support your learning of each topic. You could try answering the practice questions at the end of each chapter first to see how much you know already.
- 3. Print off past papers from the WJEC website and answer the questions Use the marks schemes to assess your work to see what and how much is expected in each section to gain full marks.
- 4. Use the following website to read around the subject: http://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/Goodfood/Pages/eatwell-plate.aspx

Supermarket websites and TV programmes about food for tips on healthy eating and producing food in the Catering industry.

REMEMBER- MAKE SURE ANY WEBSITES YOU USE ARE UK NOT AMERICAN





AQA: GCSE Drama Section A – Writing about work done in class HOW TO REVISE



Firstly, remember!

This question is compulsory. Each year, the wording of the question will change

(AQA: Candidates need to be aware that they will have to shape their material in order to answer the specific demands of each question.)

However, the questions will always have the same **key words**:

- 0 1 you **describe** a piece of practical performance work that you have contributed to
- 0 2 you **explain** what you did, in relation to the question, e.g. what it was that made you proud, or what your ideas were to begin with and how you developed them
- 0 3 you analyse the rehearsal process, e.g. explaining what improvements you made and why
- 0 4 you **evaluate** the experience, e.g. the effectiveness of your contribution, or what you thought your strengths and weaknesses were

The best way to revise for this section of the paper is:

- Prepare your exemplar 'Starter for 10' answer for Question 1, where you describe your work.
- Practise writing out your Question 1 answer, so that you become familiar with its content and structure.
- Time yourself can you write out the perfect Question 1answer in 10 minutes flat?
- Practise writing answers for Questions 2-4 using past question papers.
- Get feedback from your teacher and address any targets
- You will have LOTS of support materials in your Drama file to help you with this –
 use them!
- Revise your subject specific vocabulary meanings and spellings!
- You cannot revise 'facts' for this section of the exam, but you need to remember what you did for your TIE or Devised piece and how you used your skills and made progress.



AQA: GCSE Drama Section C - Study of a live theatre production seen HOW TO REVISE



Firstly, remember!

You will get a choice of 2 sets of questions. : You must answer either <u>9&10</u> <u>or 11&12</u>. This section of the paper is worth *40 marks*, with each question being out of *20*.

<u>Important:</u> In one question you will be asked to **DESCRIBE** and in the other **EVALUATE/ANALYSE**. You will need to be able to separate the two.

The best way to revise for this section of the paper is:

- Book in with the Drama Department to watch 'Woyzeck' or 'The Odyssey' on DVD.
- During your screening session, make notes on your chosen sections.
- Using past questions, develop your notes into a full answer.
- · Get feedback from your teacher.
- Note your targets and apply these to a second draft of the same essay.
- Once you have mastered one question, try another, so that you become confident at focusing on the PRECISE WORDING OF THE QUESTION.

Example 1 Choose **one** live theatre production you have seen during your course where you saw two actors working well together in **at least two** scenes or sections.

0 9 Describe in detail the skills used by these two actors in **one** scene or section from this live theatre production where they appeared together. You should include reference to the actors' voices, movement and facial expressions, and to their interaction together in this **one** scene or section.

AND

1 0 Evaluate the success of these actors in engaging the audience through their creative co-operation in **at least one** further scene or section from this production.

OR

Choose **one** live theatre production you have seen during your course where **one** area of design or technical skill was used in an inventive way.

1 1 Describe in detail what the designer or technician produced and how it was used in **at least one** scene or section to demonstrate inventiveness, in your opinion.

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1 2 Evaluate the success of this design or technical skill in combining with other aspects of the performance at particular moments. Give clear reasons to support your answer.



GCSE Economics

The specification is OCR GCSE Economics and you will sit the following examinations this summer:

Unit I: How the Market Works

- 60 minutes
- Short-answer, data interpretation and extended questions
- 25% of the total GCSE qualification
- Monday 6th June 2016 (afternoon)

Unit 2: How the Economy Works

- 60 minutes
- Short-answer, data interpretation and extended questions
- 25% of the total GCSE qualification
- Monday 6th June 2016 (afternoon)

Unit 3: The UK Economy and Globalisation

- 90 minutes
- Questions based upon pre-released stimulus material and data interpretation
- 50% of the total GCSE qualification
- Thursday 9th June 2016 (afternoon)

Which topics should I be revising?

Unit I:	Unit 2:
What is the economic problem?	What are the economic objectives of the
What are competitive markets?	government?
How do firms operate in competitive markets?	How does the UK government raise and spend
·	money?
	Which policies can the UK government use?

Unit 3:

Why do countries trade?

Why is the UK in the European Union?

How is the UK's international trade recorded?

How important is the value of a currency?

How does a country become more competitive?

Why do some less developed countries struggle to achieve growth and benefit from international trade?

What measures may be used to support growth in less developed countries?

What should I revise?

Subject content <u>and</u> practice examination technique – both are key. You will need to have a thorough knowledge of the content above <u>and</u> also how the examiner wants you to apply it in order to access the higher grade bands. The key to success in examinations and revision often lies in the right planning. Know your strengths and weaknesses and create a revision plan accordingly, putting more time into your weaker areas. Revise one topic at a time, and consider how the topics interrelate.



How should I revise for Economics?

12. Practising questions using past examination papers:

The most important and useful way to revise is by completing as many past papers for unit 1, 2 and unit 3 as possible. The more past papers you complete, the better your examination technique and knowledge will become. All past papers for the three units are saved on the school shared docs area and are available on the VLE.

13. Attend all of the department 'past paper' club sessions:

These dates have been emailed out to parents and you have been informed. Practice makes perfect!

14. Learn all of the key terminology for unit 1, 2 and 3:

There are many definitions that must be learnt in preparation for all units. Ensure you have got a copy of the key terminology for each sub-unit and each unit.

15. Learn all of the formulae for unit 1, 2 and 3:

Ensure you have a copy for the formulae sheets for all units.

16. Actively use your Personal Learning Checklist (PLCs):

Use your Personal Learning Checklists to see the breakdown of different topics and which areas you need to focus your revision on the most. Use this document to highlight any gaps in your knowledge and start your revision there.

17. Use revision cards:

Use revision cards to help make links and connections between different topics. For example, write on one side 'economic growth' and on the other side the 'causes of economic growth.' Ask a friend or someone at home to test you on what you are learning.

18. Mind-mapping:

On a sheet of A4 or A3 paper produce an overview of a topic you are revising. Use colour for different concepts and link them together explaining how one links to another (cause and effect). This will give you a clear overview of how different Economic topics are linked together.

19. Summarising:

Summarising key facts and content on flash cards or lined paper: read through your notes and pick out the key points; write those down. From these key points you should be able to elaborate further when recalling them in an exam.

20. Ensure you have the department revision guides for unit 1 and unit 2:

These can be found on the shared area.

21. Ensure you have the pre-release stimulus document and pre-release tool kit document

These can be found on the shared area.

22. Complete the course textbook 'ExamCafe' questions

These exam-style questions will help develop understanding and examination technique.

23. Communicate!

If you are not sure about something or need specific help, please ask your teacher for an appointment to close any gaps in your knowledge.

24. Use the online tools to complement your revision:

www.ocr.org.uk/
www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/
www.bankofengland.co.uk/
www.bized.co.uk
www.bized.co.uk
www.revisionguru.co.uk

www.tutor2u.net/revision_notes_gcse

Extension: You may wish to purchase the course textbook (this is not compulsory):

OCR GCSE Economics (Bancroft/Chapman/Riches)

ISBN: 978-0-435-84905-4



AQA GCSE Design and Technology-Food Technology

- Go through each chapter in the AQA Design and Technology textbook you were issued- making notes and answer the exam questions- check your answers.
 Find your class notes and highlight the relevant sections.
- 2. Use the CGP GCSE D&T Food Technology AQA Revision guide to support your learning of each topic. You could try answering the practice questions at the end of each chapter <u>first</u> to see how much you know already.
- 3. Print off past papers from the AQA website and answer Section B-the detail in Section A will be covered thoroughly in the lessons as it changes each year. Use the marks schemes to assess your work to see how much is expected to gain the marks.
- 4. When you know the topic in Section A complete all home works to research, design and plan products to suit the theme.
- 5. Use the following websites to read around the subject:

 http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/design/foodtech/

 http://www.nhs.uk/Livewell/Goodfood/Pages/eatwell-plate.aspx

 Supermarket websites for tips on healthy eating and recipe ideas.

 REMEMBER- MAKE SURE ANY WEBSITES YOU USE ARE UK NOT AMERICAN
- 6. Use your PLC to help you understand which areas you know well and which need improvement. Then write a list of all the topics that you need to really focus on first and create a revision plan that indicates how much time you want to spend on each topic area.





How to revise in Geography at GCSE level?

...active revision little and often...

Revision guide: **ISBN-10**: 1847623735

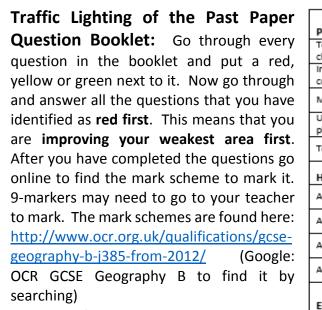
Traffic Lighting of the Specification: Identifying your **weakest areas** is vital so you target your revision in your weakest areas and not your strongest. Go through a copy of the **specification** / review sheets and highlight:

Red I am not sure about this, I need extra support

Orange = I understand in parts, needs recapping

Confident, I could answer a question on this. Green =

Starting with Reds. Go and seek help, from a friend / parent / teacher or a sensible website such as http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/geography/.



Case Studies: In geography one of the most important things to learn is the case studies. Producing an A3/A4 revision card on each of the case studies is one way to summarise the information you have in your folders. A list of case studies you have covered is below.

Next try writing down from memory the key facts and figures and memorising them. Or make a brief mind map. Or complete a 9mark question, or cover and reveal, or get a friend to test you.

CGP	
GCSE	No.
Geography ocks specification	/
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The Revision Guid	e



CASE STUDIE	S FOR GCSE	GEOGRAPHY
1 15		

	Population and Settlement
	To illustrate strategies to influence natural population
	change within a country
ı	International migration to illustrate the causes,

consequences and management of migration

Migration within a country.

Urban change to show social, economic and environmental planning. Also to evaluate its sustainability.

To show how retail service provision changes over time.

Hazards

A tectonic event - LEDC A tectonic event - MEDC

An atmospheric event - LEDC

An atmospheric event - MEDC

China 1- child Pop Mexico to USA

Buriton Curitiba

Reading

Nevado del Ruiz 1985

Japan 2011

Ethiopia 1984

Katrina 2005

Economic Development

An AID project in an LEDC

MNC investment in a specific area and in an international context

Illustrate the factors that affect the location of different types of economic activity - LEDC

Illustrate the factors that affect the location of different types of economic activity - MEDO

Specific development where conflicts exist between economic development and environmental damage

FOR SDME EXAMINATION ONLY Water Aid in Mali

Nike in Vietnam

Fiat in Brazil

High Tech in

Winnersh Triangle

Pearl Delta River

Rivers and Coasts – FOR SDME EXAMINATION ONLY

Cause, effects and management of river flooding in - LEDC

Cause, effects and management of river flooding in - MEDC

Coastline management, including reasons for protection, measures taken, resulting effects and possible conflicts

River Ganges, Bangladesh

River Valency

Pevensey Bay

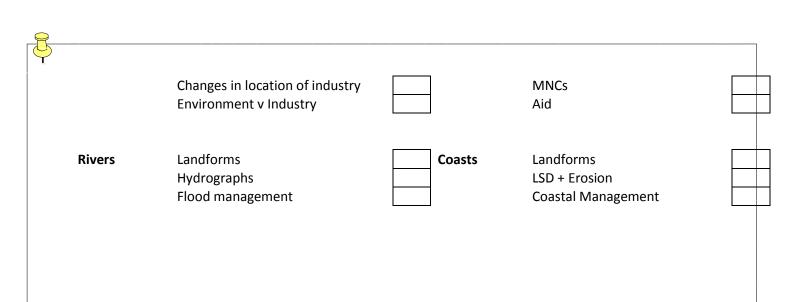
Then check back to see what you have forgotten and go about learning these points too. Perhaps you could get another colour pen and add the bits you forgotten onto your mind map.



Or for Hazards put the causes on post-it notes on one wall of your bedroom, effects on another and responses on another. As you turn around your room can you remember each of the points? Or reading the post-it note out loud and then developing it, by continue "Library "

Definitions: These are vital for you to do well in geography, so to revise these, firstly ensure that your glossary is fully up to date for each of the modules. If not use a website like this one to help you write a good definition. http://www.itseducation.asia/geography/a.htm. Now you are in position to test yourself, get a friend or parent to ask for a definition or give you the definition and then you give them the term or definition.

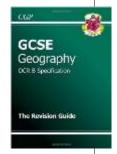
trying out. Read through my notes	,	With an " next to the Read and highlighted	-,	
Read through the revision book		Tested myself by cove	er and reveal*	
Made new notes on revision / fla	ash cards	Made mind maps*		
Made new notes on A4		Made a glossary		
Made posters of the topics / case	e studies	Taught someone else		
Post it notes round the room*		Get someone to test y	ou*	
Write yourself a test and then co	ompleted it*	Traffic lighting the syll	abus*	
Recording your notes and listening	ng to them	Listed case studies		
Looked through your old milesto	_	Practiced past papers	from exam website	
BBC bite size revision		Other website		
Turned notes into diagrams and	pictures*	Asked for help		
Worked with friend		Other:		
the Sustainable Decision Population	on Making Exam worth 259 Indicators (e.g. BR or DR) DTM Age-sex pyramids	Settlement	Land use Changes in cities Sustainability	
the <u>final exam</u> worth 50%?	Policies Migration Types		Retail Changes in retail	
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How to revise GCSE German



- 1. Complete all homework to the best of ability on time and bring folder to class (organisation)
- 2. Practise writing and grammar skills in lead up to assessment. BBC Bitesize has some practice grammar exercises.
- 3. Use class time efficiently to ask questions, absorb and use new language.
- 4. Focus on listening at least once per week using listening exercises and practice papers on the VLE. Complete at least 2 papers at school by Easter on Tuesdays at revision session.
- 5. Focus on reading complete extra reading exercises at the back of the textbook and practice papers on the VLE. Complete at least 2 papers at school by Easter on Tuesdays at revision session.
- 6. Enjoy listening to some longer extracts of German by listening to the intermediate section of German on Linguascope: www.linguascope.com; username: maiden; password: pound
- 7. Learn vocabulary regularly: Look at the Edexcel German GCSE Specification 2009 (Modular). On p. 54 there is a vocabulary list. Make a list of 15 of these words that you do not know every week and write them on your phone. Learn them throughout the week and test yourself on the words a week later. Keep a record of your scores.
- 8. Make up some sentences with the new vocabulary. If you use the vocabulary you are more likely to retain it.
- 9. Look back at all DIRT work and learn from your previous mistakes.
- 10. Expose yourself to the German language by watching and listening to programmes in German eg. Peppa Wutz on youtube.

Resources

VLE, Edexcel examination board web-site and textbook.

http://www.languagesonline.org.uk/

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/german/ (old site)

http://www.deutschseite.de/inhalt.html#grammatik







How to revise...History GCSE!

What exams are there to revise for?

Our specification is AQA History B (9147) and you sit 2 exams in June 2017.



Paper I

Unit 1: International Relations: Conflict and Peace in the 20th Century (91451).

- I hour 45 minutes.
- Monday 5th June 2017 (morning).

Paper 2

Unit 2: 20th Century Depth Studies (91452).

- I hour 45 minutes.
- Wednesday 14th June 2017 (afternoon).

What topics are on the exams?

Paper I Topics - Answer all 3	Paper 2 Topics - Answer I topic
topics:	from each section.
<u>Topic 2:</u>	Section A
Peacemaking, 1918-1919 and the League	Topic 2: Weimar Germany 1919-1929.
of Nations.	Section B
Topic 3:	Topic 4: Stalin's Dictatorship - USSR
Hitler's Foreign Policy and the Origins	1924-1941
of WW2.	OR Topic 5: Hitler's Germany 1929-
Topic 4:	1939.
The Origins of the Cold War, 1945-	Section C
1960	Topic 8: War in Vietnam, 1954-1975.

What should I revise?

Content **and** technique – both are key. You need to know the stuff but also how the examiner wants you to apply it in order to reach your potential.

So...how should I revise?

Below are just some of the ways to revise successfully in History:

Practising questions using past papers:

The more past papers you complete the better your technique. This is, arguably, the most important way to revise! These can be found on the AQA website or the Shared Docs area on a school computer. The mark schemes can also be found there so use those after doing a past paper to mark your own work.

PLCs:

Use your Personal Learning Checklists to see the breakdown of different topics and which areas you need to focus your revision on the most. If you completely understand and could answer a question on the Hitler Youth but not how the League of Nations did in the 1920s then revise on that first.

Timelines:



The exams for the GCSE Course is entirely in the 20th Century from the end of WWI in 1918 to the end of the Vietnam War in 1975. This makes a large timeline across 3 or 4 pieces of A3 paper on your bedroom wall a very effective way of getting an overview of the 2 papers. Annotate all the events that take place across this time period, using a different colour for different topics. Add information about significant people to the timeline as well so you don't end up talking about Stalin in 1955 when he was already dead! This will establish the chronology of events which will further your understanding.

Revision cards:

On one side of a revision card write down the name of an event such as the Manchurian Crisis 1931-1933. On the other side write down some key points about the causes, events, consequences and importance of that event. Ask a friend or someone at home to test you on what you are learning.

Mind-mapping:

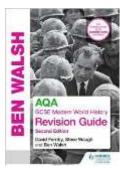
On a sheet of A4 or A3 paper produce an overview of a topic you are revising. Use colour for different events and link them together explaining how one led to another or why one is more important than another. This will give you a clear overview of how different moment in History are linked to each other.

Summarising:

Reading through notes or text books or revision guides is the least effective way to revise if is the only thing you do. Instead you could try summarising on to flash cards or lined paper: read through your notes and pick out the key points; write those down. From these key points you should be able to elaborate further when recalling them in an exam.

Revision Guide:

We recommend the AQA Ben Walsh revision guide (2^{nd} Edition, **ISBN-10:** 1471831752, **ISBN-13:** 978-1471831751) which can be bought on Amazon for around £7.99. It covers the topics required, clarifies the technique and includes practice questions. However, this alone is not enough to revise successfully; you need to use your class notes to get the precise detail in your answers.



Communication:

If you're not sure about something or need help in a certain topic or with a type of technique, don't hope it will resolve itself, it won't. Speak to a friend or peer or someone in your class you think would be able to explain to you how to do it or give you an extra piece of knowledge you didn't know before. If that doesn't solve your problem, then speak to your teacher or book an appointment with them to solve the issue and get the help you need.

Revise little and often.
Follow a detailed revision plan.
Ask for help if you need it.
CONTENT AND TECHNIQUE.



How to revise in Health and Social Care

- 1. Use your PLC to help yourself understand which areas you know well and which need improvement. Then write a list of all the topics that you need to really focus on first and create a revision plan that indicates how much time you want to spend on each topic area.
- 2. Go through each chapter in the Edexcel textbook/Edexcel revision guide making notes by highlighting key points. Find your class notes and highlight the relevant sections that match to those from the text-book.
- 3. Use the Edexcel Health and Social Care workbook to support your learning of each topic. This book is full of exam-style questions and will help you know whether you are able to apply your knowledge once you have revised it. The mark-schemes are at the back of the books, so you can check your answers.
- 4. Print off past papers from the Edexcel website and have a go at answering them. Use the marks schemes or hand them to your teacher to assess your work and make sure that you improve the sections where you lost marks.
- 5. Work together learn what you need to and test each other.





Revising for Edexcel GCSE Music

What should I revise?

 Melody and melodic devices (describing the pitch, sequences, repetition, conjunct/ disjunct movement, intervals)



- Harmony and harmonic devices (what chords are used)
- Tonality (the key of each set work, plus any modulations)
- **Instrumentation** (the instruments used in each set work and their role within the music, different types of voices)
- **Date**/ period of history and **genre** (the style- e.g. minimalist)
- Rhythm and rhythmic features (describing rhythm values/ lengths, dotted rhythms, syncopation, repeating patterns)
- **Structure** (the organisation of the music e.g. sonata form)
- Playing techniques / vocal techniques (specific to the instruments and how they are used- word setting e.g. melisma, syllabic, pizzicato, arco, mute, strumming)
- **Dynamics** (describing contrasts of volume)
- **Technological effects/** processes (e.g. EQ, reverb, echo, delay)
- **Texture** (describing how the layers of sound work together e.g. homophonic)
- **Features** which make the piece 'typical' of its genre or time (e.g. Baroqueuse of string orchestra, basso continuo, Ritornello form/ structure, terraced dynamics)

How should I revise?

This depends on the kind of learner that you are, but here are some suggestions which have worked for past students:

- Making flashcards
- Post-It notes with key words written on
- Creating online quizzes
- Colour coding and highlight key information



- Creating spider diagrams/ mind maps
- Listening to the set works and making notes under the headings from 'What Should I Revise?' above
- Create an alphabet challenge, where you listen to the set work and write down a musical feature for every letter
- Listen to the set works whilst you revise for other subjects- set up a playlist
- Write yourself some short answer questions (1-4 marks) which your parents/ friends/ brothers or sisters can quiz you with
- Practice your melodic dictation- choose a melody, theme or rhythm from a set work and write out a few bars. Play it back to yourself to assess whether your notes/ rhythms were accurate
- Create your own essay question for each set work- 'Comment on how the following elements are used in this set work'. Choose five headings to write about (melody, rhythm, harmony, etc). Test yourself to write two+ points for each heading.
- Lucky dip- writing key words or questions and pulling them randomly from a pot to check your understanding.
- Writing down as many key words as possible for each set work, then going back to define them. Check you've associated the correct vocabulary with the correct set work.

Where can I revise from?

- Worksheets from your GCSE folder, including your Handbook
- Websites such as: www.edexcel.com and BBC Bitesize
- CGP Revision Guide
- CGP practice paper book with CD
- Listening to the set works & using YouTube videos
- Past papers published by the exam board

How can I practice for the exam?

- Short answer questions
- Dictation questions
- Essay questions under timed conditions (approx. 30 mins)





How to revise GCSE PE

Examination Information:

- 1 hour 30 minute examination (40% of overall qualification)
- Variety of mixed ability questions
- Exam board = Edexcel

What should I revise?

<u>Content</u>	Examination Structure:
- Healthy Active Lifestyle	- 10 multiple choice questions
- Key Influences	 Short answer questions
 Exercise and Fitness 	- 6 mark – Extended answer
- Physical Activity	questions
- Personal Health	
- Mind and Body	
 Cardio-Vascular System 	
- Respiratory System	
- Skeletal System	

General points:

- Purchase a revision guide/workbook.
- Access Edexcel for past papers and mark schemes.
- Pick apart the questions to identify the command words.
- Check spellings of key words.
- Use feedback from teachers to improve on your work.

How can I revise?

- 1. Create your own revision tools. These could be:
- Flash cards
- Mind maps
- Post it notes
- 2. Test yourself Select a topic and write everything you know about it on a black piece of paper. Revise the topic. Add more to the paper.
- 3. Actively use the PLC's to access areas of strengths and weaknesses.
- 4. Continually write out key terms and definitions. Continue doing this until the definition is correct.
- 5. Stick key terms and definitions on your wall and say one/two out loud each day.
- 6. Look at previous essays and use the mark schemes to assess these. You could work with a partner to write the answers and peer mark each other work. This will help with the structure.
- 7. Use PE planning sheets to help with the structure of 6 mark questions.



- 8. Print past papers from Edexcel website and complete questions. Hand answers to your teacher or self-assess against the mark scheme.
- 9. Attend the revision corridor.
- 10. Seek support if unsure. Always ask any of the PE teacher to go through the content again if you are unsure.
- 11. Use all DIRT work to ensure you improve on the correct examination technique and content.

Extended Essay Structure:

Enteriara Essay		
Marking Code	Meaning	Description
S	Statement	Knowledge show through a simple
		statement.
S+	Statement Plus	Simple statement has been
		explained further.
DS	Developed Statement	Linked practical application

Memorise the key connectives to use:

E.G. Therefore, leading to, resulting in, which causes, which leads to, etc....

Text book:

'Revise Edexcel GCSE: Physical Education. Unit 1 Theory of PE. (5PE01 and 5PE03). Pearson. (ISBN: 978-1-4469-0362-9).



Religious Education GCSE

TOP TIP: Remember the mark scheme!

- a) Outline three ideas (preferably in three short sentences or one longer sentence)
- b) Two reasons- make the reasons as different as you can and give examples. Separate into two paragraphs.
- c) Two reasons- make them as different as you can- but make sure you refer to at least one teaching, quotation or example from Jesus/Prophet Muhammad.
- d) One paragraph reflecting your view in response to the key statement, one paragraph reflecting the opposing view and a final paragraph supporting your original argument. You need quotations, examples and key terms included here.

To revise key terminology have I...

	Completed?
Got a complete glossary for all units?	
Made flash cards with key terms and definitions?	
Been tested verbally on those key definitions and spellings?	

To revise part a) have I...

	Completed?
Made a list of the key issues in each unit?	
Written down a list of the key beliefs associated with each idea?	
Written your own example of part a) questions starting with 'Outline	
three'?	
Completed past paper questions in under 2 minutes, ensuring you give	
three clear but concise reasons?	

To revise part b) and c) have I...

	Completed?
Made a list of the key topics in each unit?	
Asked friends/parents to test you to make sure you know the beliefs and	
practices?	
Written your own example of part b) questions starting with 'Explain two	
reasons?'	
Completed past paper questions, ensuring each reason that justifies your	
opinion is different and you have two clear paragraphs?	
Made one flash cards for each unit showing the key quotations for each of	
the units?	

To revise part d) have I...

	Completed?
Made a list of the key topics in each unit?	
Created a table of for and against for each topic showing a secular,	
Christians and/or Muslims view on these?	
Written your own examples of part d) questions starting with a statement?	
Completed past paper questions in under 12 minutes, ensuring you have a	
wide range of reasons and clear pieces of evidence?	

Year 11 RS GCSE - May 2018

You will take **two papers**, each are **1hr 45 minutes** long and contain **4 topics** each.

In total, you will answer using knowledge from all 8 topics studied in Yr9, Yr10 and Yr11.

You must answer a set of questions (a-d) on each topic.

For each topic you will have **2 choices of question** sets; you must choose 1 set to answer.

There will also be additional marks available for SPaG so be careful throughout.

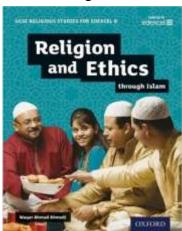




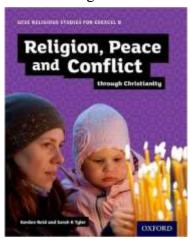
Revision materials:

Textbooks are available for the two units of study:

Edexcel Religious Studies: Religion and Ethics through Islam.

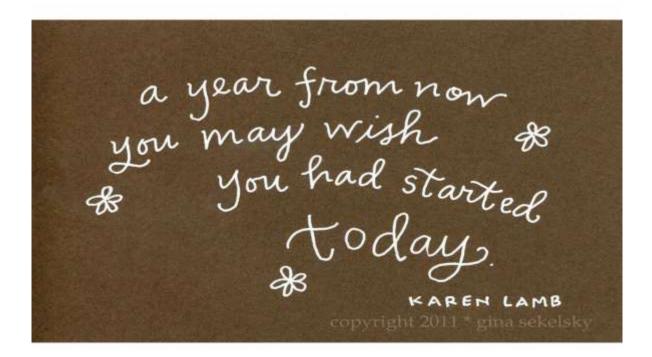


Edexcel Religious Studies: Religion, Peace and Conflict through Christianity.





GCSE FRENCH REVISION



REVISING FOR FRENCH READING AND LISTENING

- 1. Make sure you learn the topic vocabulary (eg: at the end of each chapter of the text book).
- 2. Make sure you learn the core vocabulary (see below)
- 3. To revise for the reading exam you need to read, to revise for the listening exam you need to listen: use exam past papers https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/french-2009.coursematerials.html#filterQuery=category:Pearson-UK:Category%2FExam-materials
- 4. Each time you do a reading paper, check your marks against the mark scheme. Any words or phrases you did not know, do read-copy-cover-write for each one until you can do it correctly.
- 5. Each time you do a listening paper, check your marks against the mark scheme. Then using the transcript (at the back of the mark scheme) listen to the text and follow the written version. Do this three times and then underline any words or phrases you did not know. Do read-copy-cover-write for each one until you can do it correctly. Listen and follow the writing one more time.



Online revision:

http://www.languagesonline.org.uk/Hotpotatoes/Index.htm http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/french

On your 'phone



MINIMUM CORE VOCABULARY LIST

The following vocabulary list is the minimum core vocabulary that all students will need to acquire.

Verbs

accepter to accept accompagner to accompany acheter to buy adorer to love aider to help aimer to like ajouter to add aller to go allumer to light, turn on améliorer to improve annuler to cancel appeler to call apprendre to learn arriver to arrive attendre to wait for atterrir to land avoir to have bavarder to chat boire to drink changer to change charger to load, to charge choisir to choose cliquer to click coller to stick commander to order commencer to begin comprendre to understand compter to count, intend conduire to drive connaître to know (be familiar with) conseiller to advise contacter to contact coûter to cost croire to think, believe décider to decide décrire to describe décrocher to lift the receiver

demander to ask dépenser to spend descendre to go down désirer to want, desire détester to hate devoir to have to dire to say discuter to discuss donner to give dormir to sleep durer to last écouter to listen écrire to write empêcher to prevent emprunter to borrow entendre to hear entrer to enter envoyer to send espérer to hope essayer to try être to be étudier to study faire to do / to make fermer to close finir to finish, end frapper to knock. hit gagner to win, earn garer to park habiter to live informer to inform introduire to introduce inviter to invite jeter to throw laisser to leave (an object) louer to rent/to hire manger to eat manguer to miss marcher to walk mériter to deserve mettre to put monter to climb, get

montrer to show neiger to snow noter to note offrir to give (presents) organiser to organise oublier to forge ouvrir to open pardonner to forgive parler to speak partir to leave passer to pass by/to qo penser to think perdre to lose permettre to allow plaire to please pleurer to cry poser (une question) to place, ask (a question) poser une question to ask a question pousser to push pouvoir to be able to préférer to prefer prendre to take présenter to present prêter to lend prévenir to avoid, to prevent, to warn produire to produce quitter to leave raconter to tell rater to go wrong/to fail, to miss recevoir to receive, be host to rechercher to research recommander to recommend regretter to regret, be sorrv rembourser to refund remercier to thank

remettre to put back remplacer to replace remplir to fill rencontrer to meet rendre visite à to visit rentrer to return réparer to repair répéter to repeat répondre to answer réserver to reserve ressembler à to look like. to resemble rester to stay retourner to return réussir to succeed réviser to revise rire to laugh rouler to go along (in a car) s'adresser à to apply to s'amuser to enjoy oneself s'appeler to be called s'arrêter to stop s'asseoir to sit down sauter to jump sauver to save savoir to know (a fact) s'échapper to escape se disputer to argue se trouver to be located signer to sign s'intéresser à to be interested in s'occuper de to look after se débrouiller to manage se dépêcher to hurry se fâcher to get angry se promener to go for a walk

se rappeler to remember servir to serve se servir de to use se terminer to end sembler to seem sonner to rina souhaiter to wish sourire to smile stationner to park suivre to follow surfer sur internet to surf the internet taper to type téléphoner to phone tenir to hold tirer to pull tomber to fall toucher to touch travailler to work trouver to find utiliser to use vendre to sell venir to come vérifier to check vivre to live visiter to visit voir to see voler to steal/fly vouloir to want



Adjectives affreux/se awful amusant/e funny ancien/ne old. former autre other bête stupid beau/bel/belle beautiful bon/ne good bref/brève brief bruyant noisy cadet/cadette (m/f) younger cassé broken chaud hot chouette great confortable comfortable content pleased court short de bonne humeur in a good mood debout standing dégoûtant disqusting dernier/dernière last désolé sorry difficile difficult drôle funny d'une grande valeur valuable dûr hard dynamique dynamic en colère angry ennuyeux/euse boring ensemble together faible weak fatigant tiring fatiqué tired faux/fausse false favori/favorite favourite fermé closed fermé à clef locked flexible flexible fort strona formidable great, marvellous génial brilliant gentil kind grand big, tall gratuit free gros/grosse fat haut high incrovable unbelievable jeune young joli *pretty* laid ugly

léger *light*

long/ue long

lourd heavy

libre free

Irregular verbs - use your verb

tables then learn off by heart.

moche rotten mûr mature nécessaire necessary neuf/neuve new nombreux/euse numerous nouveau/nouvel/nouvelle new ouvert open paresseux/euse lazy parfait perfect passionnant exciting perdu lose petit small plein full préféré favourite prêt ready pressé in a hurry prochain next proche close propre clean, own rapide fast recherché sought after reconnaissant grateful réel/le real responsable responsible riche rich sage wise, well behaved sain healthy sale dirty sensass sensational satisfait satisfied sérieux/ieuse serious sévère strict seul alone silencieux/ieuse silent super great timide shy travailleur/travailleuse hardworking tout all typique typical utile useful valable valid variable variable vieux/vieille old vite *auick* vrai true

Colours blanc/he white bleu blue

rouge red

vert green

brun brown clair light couleur (f) colour foncé dark gris grey jaune yellow marron chestnut brown noir *black* rose pink

Adverbs

déjà already encore more ici here immédiatement immediately là there là-bas over there là-haut up there longtemps (for a) long time malheureusement unfortunately peut-être perhaps plutôt rather pourtant however presque almost quelquefois sometimes récemment recently souvent often surtout especially toujours always/still tout de suite straight away très very trop too vite quickly vraiment really

good	beller	best
bon(ne)	meilleur(e)	meilleur(e)
	mieux	

bad	worse	worst
mauvais(e)	meilleur(e)	pire
	pire	

Quantities

assez de enough beaucoup de many plusieurs several un morceau de a piece of un paquet de a packet of un peu de a little of un pot de a jar of un tiers de a third of une boîte de a tin, box of une bouteille de a bottle of une douzaine de a dozen une tranche de a slice of

Connecting words

alors then aussi also d'abord first of all donc so ensuite then et and mais but ou or puis then

Question words

que? What? qui? Who? qu'est-ce que? What? (divided obj) qu'est-ce qui? What? (as subject) qù? Why? pourquoi? Why? guand? When? combien de? How much, how man? comment? How?

Other high frequency words

ça/ cela that chose (f) thing comme as, like chiffre figure façon (f) way fin (f) end fois (f) time forme (f) shape genre (m) type madame Mrs mademoiselle Miss monsieur Mr milieu (m) middle nombre (m) number numéro number non *no* oui yes parce que because par exemple for example quelqu'un someone quelque chose something tout le monde

everybody

Prepositions à at. to

à cause de because of à côté de next to après after au bout de at the end of autour de around avant before avec with chez at (someone's house) contre against dans in de from dehors outside derrière behind devant in front of en in, by en face de opposite en haut above entre between environ about jusqu'à until loin de far from par through parmi among partout everywhere pendant during pour for, in order près de near sans without sauf except selon according to sous under sur on

vers towards



magnifique magnificent même same merveilleux/euse marvellous mignon/ne charming

violet violet

Numbers

Time

Time expressions à l'heure on time à partir de from après-demain the day after tomorrow après-midi (m) afternoon au début at the start aujourd'hui todav bientôt soon de bonne heure on time, early de temps en temps from time to time demain tomorrow depuis since hier yesterday jour (m) day journée (f) day le lendemain (m) the next day maintenant now matin (m) morning minute (f) minute minuit *midniaht* nuit (f) night plus tard later prochain next quinzaine (f) a fortnight quinze jours a fortnight semaine (f) week soir (m) evening soirée (f) evening/party toujours always tous les jours every day tout à l'heure just now, in a little while

Days of the week lundi *Monday* mardi Tuesdav mercredi Wednesday jeudi Thursday vendredi Fridav samedi Saturday dimanche Sunday

week-end (m)

weekend

Months of the year janvier January février February mars March avril April mai *May* juin June juillet July

Countries

Allemagne (f) Germany Angleterre (f) England Autriche (f) Austria Belgique (f) Belgium Danemark (m) Denmark Écosse (f) Scotland Espagne (f) Spain États-Unis (m/pl) United States France (f) France Grande-Bretagne (f) Great Britain Grèce (f) Greece Hollande (f) Holland Irlande (f) Ireland Italie (f) Italy Pays-Bas (m/pl) Netherlands Pays de Galles (m) Wales Royaume-Uni (m) United Kingdom Russie (f) Russia Suisse (f) Switzerland

Continents

Afrique (f) Africa Asie (f) Asia Amérique du Sud (f) South America Amérique du Nord (f) North America Australie (f) Australia Europe (f) Europe

Nationalities

africain/e African allemand/e German américain/e American anglais/e English autrichien/ne Austrian belge Belgian britannique British corse Corsican danois/e Danish écossais/e Scottish espagnol/e Spanish européen/ne European francais/e French gallois/e Welsh grec/grecque Greek hollandais/e Dutch irlandais/e Irish italien/ne Italian russe Russian suisse Swiss

Areas/mountains Alpes (f/pl) the Alps Bretagne (f) Brittany

Language used in dialogues and messages

(Some words may feature in other sections.)

à bientôt see vou soon

à l'attention de for the

à plus tard see you

à l'appareil on the

line/speaking

attention of

later (to soca conventions.) annuaire (m) telephone book appelle-moi/appelezmoi call me (informal/formal) bip sonore (m) tone combiné (m) receiver (telephone) composer le numéro dial the number en communication avec in communication with en fait in fact en ligne on the line envoi de (m) sent by être bien chez to be at (checking correct number/ address) faux numéro (m) wrong number indicatif (m) area code instant (m) moment je reviens tout de suite I'll be right back je vous écoute l'm listening je vous le passe I will put you through messagerie vocale (f) voice mail ne quittez pas stay on the line patientez wait pour l'instant for the moment radiomessagerie (f) paging suite à further to/following

texte (m) text

téléphone (m)

texto text message

telephone

Other expressions

à moi *mine* à mon avis in my opinion avec plaisir with pleasure bien sûr of course bof don't care! bonne chance good ça dépend it depends ça m'est égal *I don't* mind ça ne fait rien it doesn't matter ça s'écrit comment? How do you spell that? ça va I'm fine d'accord okav d'habitude usually encore une fois once again être en train de to be in the process of être sur le point de to be about to i'en ai assez/marre I've had enough quel dommage what a shame tant mieux all the better tant pis too bad voici here you are voilà there you are

Social conventions

à demain see you tomorrow à bientôt see you soon allô hello (on the telephone) à tout à l'heure see you later àmitiés best wishes au revoir goodbye au secours help bonjour hello, good bonne nuit *goodnight* bonsoir good evening merci thank you prière de please (request) salut hi s'il te plaît/s'il vous plaît please, please (polite)

Useful acronyms and abbreviations BAC baccalauréat. school leaving exam BNP Banque Nationale de Paris CD ROM CD CES secondary school CV curriculum vitae EDF French electricity company EPS physical and sports education FR3 French TV channel GDF French gas company M6 French TV channel MJC youth club and arts centre P et T French post office and telecommunications service RER fast commuter train service (Paris) SIDA AIDS SNCF French national railway company SVP please (s'il vous plaît) TGV high speed train TIJ every day

TVA value added tax

UE European Union

(VAT)



août August septembre September octobre October novembre November décembre December

Manche (f) the English Channel Massif Central (m) Massif Central Midi (m) the south of France Pyrénées (f/pl) the Pyrenees Tunnel (sous la Manche) (m) the Channel Tunnel

LANGUAGE RELATED TO COMMON TOPIC AREAS

Out and about à droite on the right à gauche on the left à pied on foot accueil welcome aéroport (m) airport affiche (f) poster/notice à l'étranger abroad à l'extérieur outside aller-retour (m) return ticket aller-simple (m) single ticket arrêt (d'autobus) (m) bus stop ascenseur (m) lift auberge de jeunesse (f) youth hostel auto (f) car autobus (m) bus autoroute (f) motorway avion (m) plane bagages (m/pl) luggage bain (m) bath balcon (m) balcony banlieue (f) suburb banque (f) bank bar bar bateau (m) boat bâtiment (m) building bibliothèque (f) library bicyclette (f) bicycle billet (m) ticket bon séjour enjoy your stay bon voyage have a good journey boucherie (f) butcher boulangerie (f) baker brochure (f) brochure/leaflet brouillard (m) fog buffet (m) snack bar, buffet bureau (m) office bureau d'accueil/de renseignements (m) tourist information office

café café

centre de loisirs leisure centre centre-ville (m) town centre chaleur (f) heat chambre (f) room château (m) castle chauffeur (de taxi) (m) (taxi) driver chemin de fer (m) railway ciel (m) sky cinéma (m) cinema circulation (f) traffic clef/clé (f) key climat (m) climate coin (m) corner colline (f) hill colonie de vacances (f) summer camp commerce (m) business/trade commissariat (m) police station compartiment (m) compartment composter to validate a ticket concert (m) concert conducteur (m) conductrice (f) driver consigne (f) left luaaaae contrôle de passeports (m) passport control contrôleur (m) ticket inspector correspondance (f) connection côte (f) coast couchette (f) berth couvert overcast décoller to take off (plane) défense de... forbidden to... degré (m) degree délai (m) waiting

period/time limit

départ (m) departure

en hiver in winter endroit (m) place en plein air outside ensoleillé sunny escalier (m) staircase essence (f) petrol est (m) east étage (1er/2me etc) floor (1st, 2nd) excursion (f) outing excusez-moi I'm sorry/excuse me exposition (f) exhibition ferme (f) farm fermeture (f) closing fête (f) feast, holiday, fair, fête feux (m/pl) traffic lights fiche (f) form fonctionner to function. to work froid cold gare (f) station gare routière (f) coach station gare maritime (f) port gasoil diesel gendarme (m) gendarme quichet (m) ticket office historique historic hôpital (m) hospital horaire (m) timetable hôtel (de ville) (m) hotel, town hall hôtesse d'accueil (f) receptionist hypermarché (m) hypermarket inclus included industrie (f) industry jardin public (m) park jardin zoologique (m) Z00 jour férié (m) public holiday kiosque à journaux (m) newspaper stall

lac (m) lake

lieu (m) place

montagne (f) mountain moteur (m) engine/motor mort dead municipal public/municipal musée (m) museum neige (f) snow nord (m) north nuage (m) cloud occupé occupied office de tourisme (m) tourist information office orage (m) storm ouest (m) west palais (m) palace panne (f) breakdown panneau (m) sign parc (m) parking (m) park car park patinoire (f) ice rink permis de conduire (m) driving licence piéton (m) pedestrian piscine (f) swimming pool pittoresque picturesque place (f) square plage (f) beach plan (de la ville) (m) map (of the town) il pleut it is raining pluie (f) rain pont (m) bridge port (m) port porte (d'entrée) (f) (front) door potable suitable for drinking pression (f) pressure/draught (beer) priorité à droite (f) priority to the right problème (m) problem quai (m) platform

sens interdit/unique (m) one way system situé situated soleil (m) sun sortie (f) way out/exit sous-sol (m) basement stade (m) stadium station de métro (f) underground station sud (m) south suivant following supplément (m) supplement station-service (f) service station taxi (m) taxi téléviseur (m) television set télévision television temps (m) weather théâtre (m) theatre toilettes (f/pl) toilets tour (m) tour tour (f) tower touristique tourist tourner to turn tout droit straight on tranquille *quiet* transports en commun (m/pl) public transport traverser to cross usine (f) factory valise (f) suitcase variable variable vélo (m) bike vent (m) wind village (m) village ville (f) town voiture (f) car vol (m) flight/theft voyage (m) journey vue (f) view wagon-lit (m) sleeping car wagon-restaurant (m) restaurant car WC WC zone piétonne (f) pedestrianised area



camion (m) lorry car (m) coach campagne (f) country camping (m) campsite carnet (m) book (of tickets) carrefour (m) crossroads carte d'identité (f) identity card carte postale (f) postcard carte routière (f) road man cathédrale (f) cathedral centre commercial (m) shopping centre centre sportif sports

centre

département (m) administrative district dès que as soon as (to general) déviation (f) diversion, detour discothèque/disco (f) disco distractions (f/pl) entertainment, things to do éclaircie (f) sunny interval église (f) church embouteillage (m) traffic jam entrée (f) entrance en avance in advance

en été in summer

ligne (f) line/route liste des prix (f) price list liste des hôtels (f) hotel loin far(away) magasin (m) shop mairie (f) town hall marché (m) market marque (f) brand/make mauvais bad mer (f) sea météo (f) weather forecast mètre (m) metre métro (m) metro/underground railway

région (f) region réception (f) reception rendez-vous (m) appointment/meeting rez de chaussée ground floor retard (m) delay rivière (f) river rond-point (m) roundabout route (f) road rue (f) road/street saison (f) season salle d'attente (f) waiting room salle de jeux (f) games room sans plomb unleaded

1er/2me étage etc. 1st/2nd floor etc.

Customer service and transactions

addition (f) bill appareil photo (m) camera argent (m) money à votre service at your baguette French stick baskets trainers blouson casual jacket boisson (f) drink brochure brochure bureau de change (m) exchange bureau bureau des objets trouvés (m) lost property office cadeau (m) present café (m) café caisse (f) till carte bancaire (f) bank card carte de crédit (f) credit card carte postale postcard casse-croûte (m) snack champignon (m) mushroom chaussette (f) sock chaussure (f) shoe chèque (m) (de voyage) (traveller's) cheque choix (m) choice citron (m) lemon client (m/f) customer clavier keyboard coiffeur/coiffeuse (m/f) hairdresser complet full commissariat de police (m) police station coton cotton cours de change (m) exchange rate courses (f/pl) shopping crêpe pancake croque-monsieur (m) toasted cheese and ham sandwich cuit cooked

laine (f) wool lait (m) milk légume (m) vegetable livre sterling (f) pound sterling maillot de bain (m) swimsuit/trunks maillot de sport (m) sports shirt malade ill menu (m) menu monnaie (f) change moules (f/pl) mussels oeuf egg omelette omelette pain bread pantalon (m) trousers pâtisserie (f) cake shop patron/patronne (m/f) boss payer to pay pêche (f) peach petit déjeuner (m) breakfast petits pois (m/pl) peas pièce d'identité (f) identity card plan de la ville town map plat (du jour) (m) dish (of the day) pointure (f) size (shoes) poire (f) pear pomme de terre (f) potato porc (m) pork portefeuille (m) wallet porte-monnaie (m) purse poulet (m) chicken pourboire (m) tip prix (m) price pull, pullover (m) sweater, jumper rayon (m) department reçu (m) receipt réduction (f) reduction réduit reduced repas (m) meal robe (f) dress rôti roast

Personal information activité (f) activity âge (m) age adresse (f) address aimable *likeable* aîné older, first born ambiance (f) atmosphere ami/e (m/f) friend an (m) year anniversaire (m) birthday articles de sport (m/pl) sports equipment athlétisme (m) athletics bague (f) ring baskets (f/pl) trainers bavard talkative blouson (m) jacket boîte de nuit (f) niahtclub bouclé curly boucles d'oreille (f/pl) earrings célibataire single championnat (m) championship chanson (f) song chapeau (m) hat cheveux (m/pl) hair classique classical, classic clavier keyboard club des jeunes (m) youth club code postal (m) postcode connaissance (f) knowledge cyclisme (m) cycling date de naissance (f) date of birth disque compact (m)CD CD (compact disc) divorcé divorced egoïste selfish émission (f) (television) programme équipe (f) team équipement equipment équitation horse riding

lieu de naissance (m) birthplace loisirs (m/pl) leisure lunettes (f/pl) glasses maison des jeunes (f) youth club mari (m) husband marié married mère (f) mother métier (m) job mince thin mode (f) fashion moderne *modern* mp3 MP3 musique music natation swimming né(e) born nez nose orchestre (m) orchestra oreille ear passe-temps (m) leisure patinage (m) skating père (m) father piano piano pièce de théâtre (f) play portable (m) mobile phone pop pop (music) prénom (m) first name promener to take out for a walk (dog) rap rap raide straight (hair) rock rock (musical) roux red (hair) sac (m) bag ruaby ruaby séparé separated ski *skiing* ski nautique water skiing sport sport sportif/sportive sporty survêtement (m) tracksuit temps libre (m) free time tennis tennis tennis de table table

tennis



dommage damage, pity. shame eau (f) water erreur (f) mistake euro (m) euro facture (f) bill, invoice fiche (f) form framboise (f) raspberry frites (f/pl) chips fromage (m) cheese fruit (m) fruit gant (m) glove glace (f) ice cream grand magasin (m) department store hors-d'oeuvre (m) starter jambon (m) ham jupe (f) skirt

salle à manger (f) dining room sandale (f) sandal sandwich (m) sandwich saucisson (m) salami type sausage serveur/serveuse (m/f) waiter/waitress service (non) compris service (not) included tabac(tobacconist/stamp seller) taille (f) size thé (m) tea timbre (m) stamp vendeur/vendeuse (m/f) salesman/woman vin (m) wine vol (m) theft/flight voleur (m) thief yaourt (m) yoghurt

famille (f) family fanatique de fanatical about femme (f) wife, woman fièvre (f) temperature flûte flute football football frisé curly guitare guitar habillé dressed hockey hockey informatique (f) computing, ICT iPod ™ iPod ™ jeu (de société/électronique) (m) board, electronic game joueur (m) player lecture (f) reading

terrain de sport (m) sports ground tourisme (m) tourism trompette trumpet parapluie (m) umbrella unique only (child) université (f) university vedette (f) star, celebrity vestibule (m) hall végétarien/ne vegetarian veste (f) jacket vêtements (m/pl) clothes vêtu (de) dressed vieux/vieil/vieille old violon violin yeux (m/pl) eyes

Future plans, education and work

jus de fruit (m) fruit juice

acteur/actrice (m/f) actor, actress adulte (m/f) adult agence de voyages (f) travel agency agent de police (m/f) police officer année prochaine (f) next year annonce (f) advert apprentissage (m) apprenticeship architecte (m) architect bien payé well paid biologie biology boîte aux lettres (f) letter box boucher/bouchère (m/f) butcher boulanger/boulangère (m/f) baker boulot (m) work bulletin (m) school report cantine (f) canteen chimie (f) chemistry chômage (m) unemployment classer to file classeur (m) file clavier (m) keyboard collège (m) school collègue (m/f) colleague commerce business/shop composer le numéro to dial the number (to 'messages') conditions de travail (f/pl) terms of employment conférence (f) conference

coup de téléphone (m)

telephone call

email email emploi (m) job emploi du temps (m) timetable employé (m)/employée (f) (de banque/bureau) (bank/office) employee employeur (m) employer entretien (m) interview (job) EPS physical and sports education étudiant/e (m/f) student examen (m) examination expérimenté experienced faire des études to study faire un stage to do a course faute (f) fault fax (m) fax fermier/fermière (m/f) farmer fois (f) time fonctionnaire (m/f) civil servant formation (f) training formulaire (m) form gérant (m/f) manager géographie *geography* histoire history hôtesse/steward de l'air (f/m) air hostess/air steward imprimante (f) printer imprimer to print informaticien/ne (m/f) computer scientist ingénieur (m) engineer instituteur (m)/institutrice (f) teacher (primary) journaliste (m/f) journalist langue (f) language licence (f) degree (university) livre sterling (f) pound maçon (m) builder

mal payé badly paid

poser sa candidature to apply for a job poste (f) post/post office prévu planned professeur (m) teacher programmeur (m) programmer progrès (m) progress projet (m) plan, project rapport (m) connection, report réponse (f) answer, reply répondeur (m) answerphone représentant (m) representative résultats (m) results réunion (f) meeting salaire (m) salary sciences science serveur/serveuse (m/f) waiter/waitress site (m) website société (f) society/company sondage (m) opinion poll/survey souris (f) mouse stage (en entreprise) (m) work experience sujet (m) subject supérieur superior/higher technicien/technicienne (m/f) technician touche (f) key (of keyboard) travail (m) work trimestre (m) term vestiaire (m) cloakroom web (m) the web web-mail (m) webmail



couper to cut/to cut off marketing (m) marketing (phone) maths maths courrier (électronique) mécanicien/mécanicienne (m) (electronic) mail (m/f) mechanic couture (f) sewing, message (m) message tailoring mi-temps part time cuisinier/cuisinière mode (f) fashion moniteur (m)/monitrice (f) (m/f) cook curseur (m) cursor instructor demande d'emploi (f) mot de passe (m) situation wanted password diplôme (m) occupé busy ordinateur (m) computer qualification directeur (m)/directrice papier (m) paper (f) headteacher, par heure per hour pause de midi (f) lunch director disquette (f) disc break dossier (m) folder pause-café (thé/déjeuner) échange (m) exchange (f) coffee (tea/lunch) écran (m) screen break education physique PE permanence duty office effacer to erase, rub physique physics plombier (m) plumber out électricien/électricienne pompier (m) fireman (m/f) electrician

UNDERSTANDING WORDS WHEN READING & LISTENNG

There are a lot of words which look the same as in English and have the same, or almost the same meaning. These words are often called cognates. They can help you to understand words you don't know in French, though you do need to be careful, as you'll see below.

le garage – garage le taxi - taxi le poster – poster le piano - piano le sport – sport la date - date l'Europe – Europe orange - orange le ticket – ticket le ski - ski

le village - village la sauce - sauce la photo – photo

le magazine - magazine

le concert – concert direct - direct

le fruit – fruit le week-end - weekend

le sandwich – sandwich

And some near-cognates – words which have nearly the same spelling in French as in English. These are listed on the next page.

l'âge – age la personne - person

le short – shorts le porc - pork le jus - juice la musique - music l'histoire – history l'adulte - adult sérieux – serious l'oncle - uncle l'orchestre – orchestra l'examen - exam

la lampe - lamp

BEWARE! There are also a few 'false friends' - words which look the same in French and English but have different meanings. Watch out for words such as:



grand – big / tall la place - square, seat, room la journée – day la pièce - room, coin, play

le parking - car park
la cave – cellar
la veste – jacket
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le médecin – doctor la monnaie - change le slip – briefs le car - coach

le crayon – pencil les affaires - business le pain – bread les baskets - trainers

What else helps?

There are a lot of words in French which you can understand if you know a few simple spelling rules. These will help you to work out what the word is in English.

Here are some examples:

• Words which end in '-ie' in French often end in '-y' in English, eg.

la technologie – technology la biologie - biology

la géographie – geography la Normandie - Normandy

Words with a circumflex often have an extra 's' in English, eg.

coûter - to cost août - August

la côte – coast l'hôtesse de l'air - air hostess

le château – castle la fête - feast, festival

l'hôpital – hospital le rôti - roast

• French verbs without the inifinitive ending '-er' sometimes look like English verbs, eg.

admirer - to admire payer - to pay

détester - to detest, hate continuer - to continue

téléphoner - to telephone, ring up signer - to sign visiter - to visit refuser - to refuse

proposer - to propose/suggest

• The '-ant' ending is often '-ing' in English:

intéressant – interesting amusant - amusing passionnant – exciting charmant - charming pendant - during

• The '-eux' ending is often '-ous' in English:

religieux – religious délicieux - delicious sérieux – serious joyeux - joyous, happy

dangereux - dangerous

• The '-ique' ending is often '-ic' in English:

l'Atlantique - the Atlantic la musique - music dynamique - dynamic électronique - electronic la physique - physics la plastique - plastic