

Year 11 Mock Revision Timetable



Use this timetable to help you plan your revision in the run up to your mock examination. Good, well planned, and thorough revision will help you secure a great result in the mock examinations.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5.00 – 5.45pm	Subject	Subject	Subject	Subject	Subject
	Topic	Topic	Topic	Topic	Topic
6.45 – 7.30pm	Subject	Subject	Subject	Subject	Subject
	Topic	Topic	Topic	Topic	Topic
7.45 – 8.15pm	Subject	Subject	Subject	Subject	Subject
	Topic	Topic	Topic	Topic	Topic

Think the 5 Ps – Prior Planning Prevents Poor Performance!

Top Revision Tips – Your Guide To Success

Active or passive revision?

How do you revise? A very good question to ask yourself because the chances are you do the same things every time. This is fine, if it works, but there is more than one way to revise! You could do any of the following to change your revision style slightly:

- Write revision notes.
- Read notes out aloud to yourself, or others.
- Record key points onto your iPod, MP3 player, phone.
- Discuss topics with a friend.
- Test yourself.
- Past exam questions.
- Use revision websites.

Just reading through your notes will not do the job, this is a very passive method of revision!

Revise with the exam in mind

You and your teachers will both know what you are going to be tested on, it's in the syllabus! Why not get hold of a copy of this so as you can see what you will need to know. Remember, you know what you don't know, what are you going to do to learn it?

- Use the appropriate past paper questions to help you, your teacher will have lots of these.
- Have a go at writing outline answers, this allows you to explore the key concepts surrounding a topic and allows you to structure an answer more easily.
- Practice in exam conditions (time and setting e.t.c.), this will allow you to experience how much time you actually have and how quickly you will need to work.
- Try the more difficult exam questions to push yourself and test your knowledge. It is no good simply having a go at the answers that you know you can answer! This is the easy way out.

Revision guides

These books are superb and are written (so long as you get the correct revision guide) with the exam board syllabus and exam in mind. As well as containing key information on concepts, they also offer exam tips.

Revision Notes

Using revision notes or cards is a great way of remembering key information that you will need for the exam.

- Read through notes on the topic and write them down in your own words (so long as they are correct of course).
- Ask yourself the question throughout the revision process "do I really understand this?" If not, go back and revise the topic again, then come back to it the next day.
- Use highlighter pens to highlight key information and things to remember.
- Make your notes interesting by using colours and boxes, maybe even mind maps where appropriate.

How can I improve my memory?

Memorising means learning something, then testing yourself again and again. The four steps below (adapted from the Revision Cracked guide by Tim Foot 2010) should help you.

1. Try to understand what you are reading first, then once you have a basic understanding...
2. Use 'memory hooks' to allow you to remember key concepts. These can be as wacky as you like, such as creating a song with the lyrics being a key concept or term. It sounds daft but it works.
3. Get others to test you, and constantly ask yourself questions that allow you to repeat back the information learnt.
4. Don't overload yourself with information, take it one step at a time.

Vital tips for success

- Organise your time and revision – use the timetable overleaf to help you. Ideally you should be aiming to complete around 2.5 hours every evening in the run up to an exam.
- Make a topic or subject tick list, this way you can see what you need to cover revision wise before the exam.
- Improve your concentration – if you find it difficult to concentrate, start with short sessions then build up to longer ones by setting yourself time targets.
- Use the school resources (teachers, revision sessions, coursework clinics, website) to help you. You will not find a school better than Toot Hill in terms of support provision. Take responsibility and use all of the above to your advantage.

Exams are stressful, but the end result is worth the hard work!