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# **How Can Families Help?**

#### Ensure excellent attendance

Attendance Yr 11 2023 -24	Pupils	Average Progress Grade
97.1 – 100%	102	+0.84
95.1 – 97%	41	+0.44
90.1 – 95%	38	-0.28
80.1 – 90%	31	-0.4
50.1 – 80%	7	-1.6
0 – 50%	4	-3.4

#### Opportunities to become Senior Pupils and Prefects in Year 11

Mentoring younger pupils

**School Council** 

Chaplaincy

Sport Teams / Extra Curricular Activities

Safeguarding Ambassadors

Well Being Ambassadors

Blackpool Trip and Rewards

House Rewards / Events

Positive Monitoring and Progress

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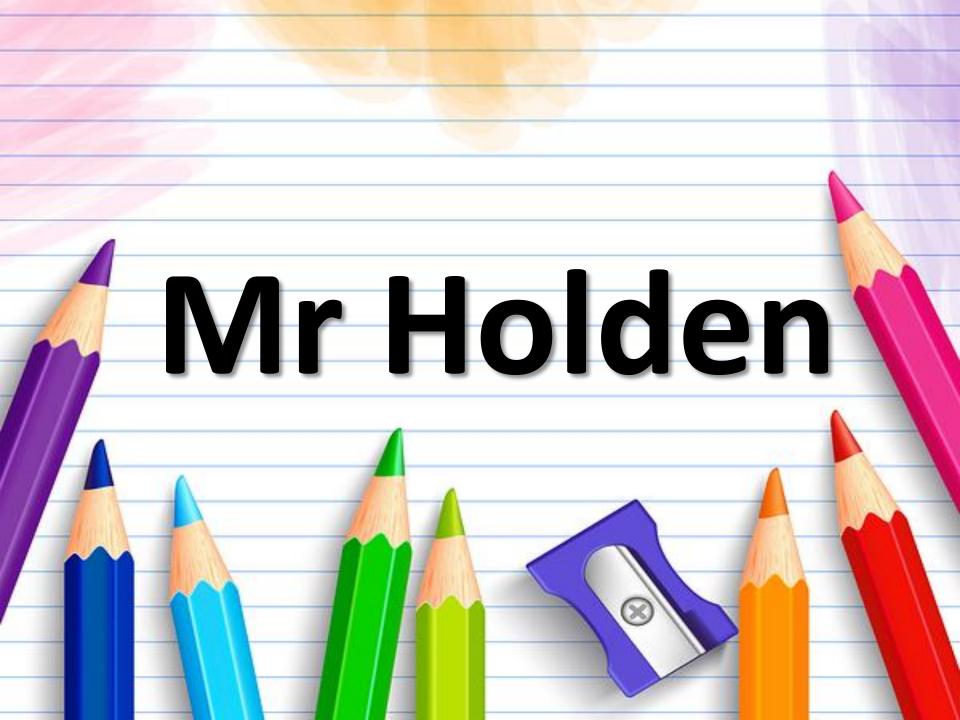
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Monitor home learning

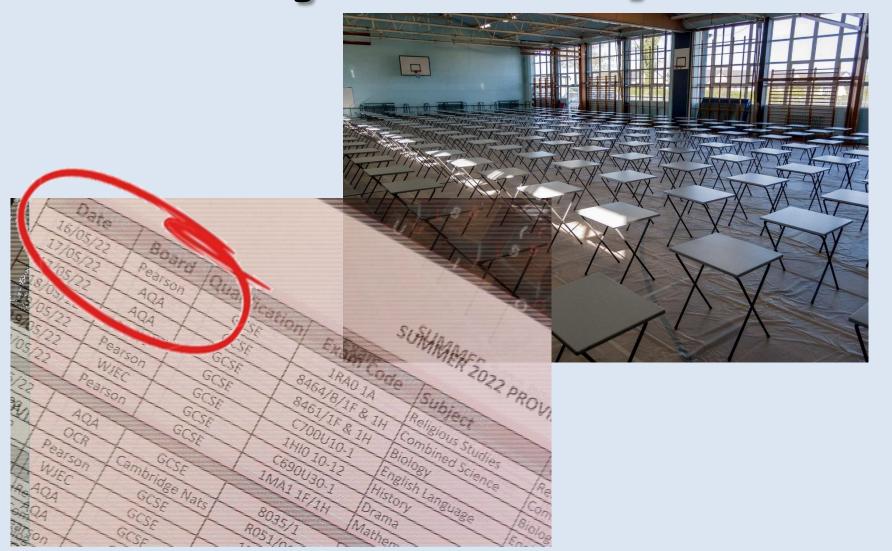
Check and engage with revision throughout the year

Monitor behaviour points

Keep in touch! If there's a problem or a concern, let us know.



# May 2025 / 26



# **Supporting Together**

Routines at home Healthy balanced choices

Study Club / Revision / Home Learning

#### **Assessment and Monitoring**

December Year 10 Monitoring + Progress

Report

March Year 10 Monitoring and Progress

May Year 10 Exams

\*Prov 23<sup>rd</sup> April – 2<sup>nd</sup> May

July Year 10 Written Report

#### **Common Concerns**

- There is too much to learn
- I don't know what to revise
- I don't know how to revise
- I don't know where to start
- I don't have enough time
- My notes are too messy/disorganised
- I don't know how to memorise things
- I feel too anxious about exams.

#### **Reducing Concerns**

- I know when/where to start
- I have enough time
- I know what to revise
- I know how to remember more revision skills
- My notes are organised
- There is a lot to learn
- I feel less anxious about exams

#### **Long Term Memory**

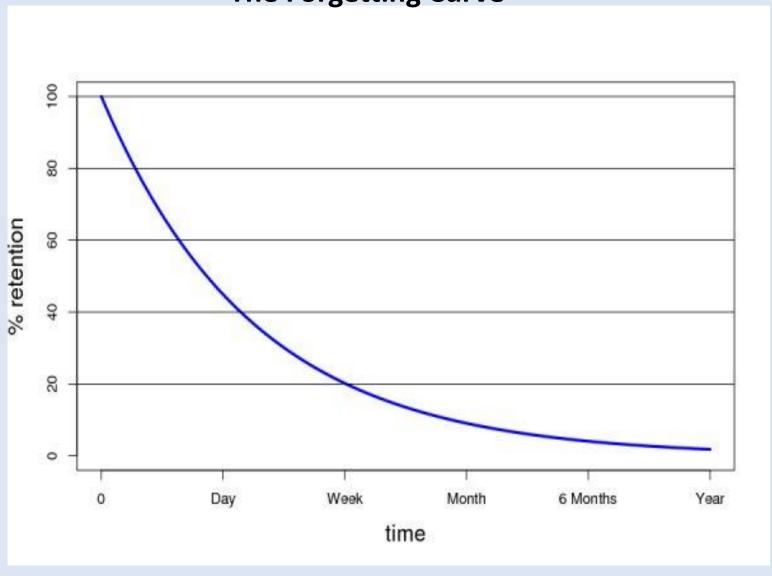
If information in the short term memory is rehearsed long enough, it eventually ends up in the long-term memory.

- Transfer the information from short term to long term through repetition.
- Deepen understanding of the content so that it is committed to long term memory and can be recalled effectively.



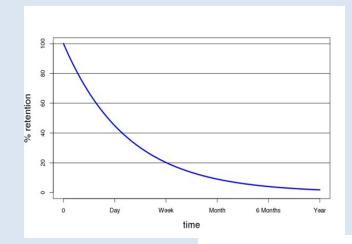


#### **The Forgetting Curve**



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#### **Effective Revision Sessions**

- Focussed time with no distractions
- Appropriate resources Teams / SharePoint
- Regular short breaks (10min)
- Mix subjects and topics within longer sessions interleaving
- Follow the plan / tick off work done.
- Build in rewards and other activities.
- Eat appropriately and stay hydrated.
- Avoid background music and ensure phone is in another room / switched off.

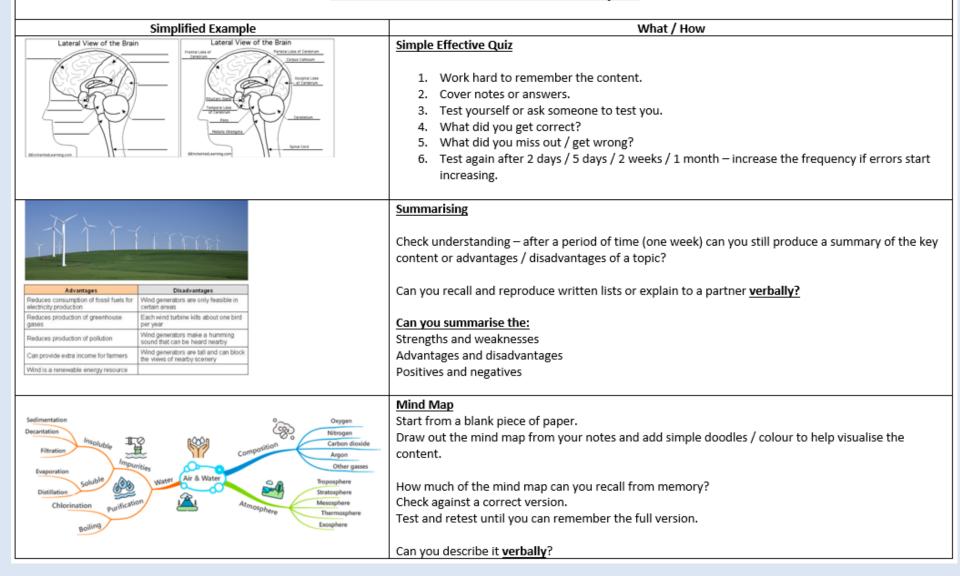
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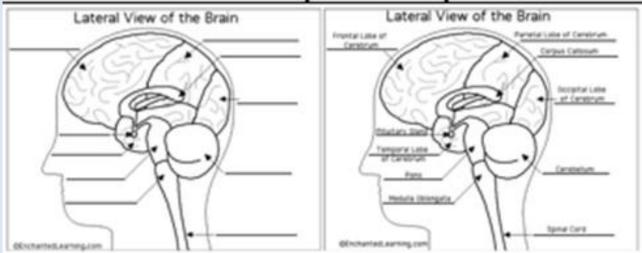
# What the research says . . . .

Technique	Description
Practice testing	Self-testing or taking practice tests
Distributed practice	Using a schedule of practice over a period of time
Elaborative interrogation	Coming up with an explanation to explain why a fact is true
Self –explanation	Explain how new information relates Explaining steps in problem solving
Interleaved practice	Schedule that mixed different kinds of problems in a single study session
Summarisation	Writing summaries of to-be learned materials
Highlighting/underlining	Marking important information
Keyword Mnemonic	Using key words and images to associate verbal materials
Imagery for text	Forming mental images of text while reading or listening
Rereading	Rereading test material

#### **Retrieval Practice Revision Techniques**



#### Simplified Example



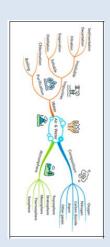
#### What / How

#### Simple Effective Quiz

- Work hard to remember the content.
- Cover notes or answers.
- 3. Test yourself or ask someone to test you.
- 4. What did you get correct?
- What did you miss out / get wrong?
- Test again after 2 days / 5 days / 2 weeks / 1 month increase the frequency if errors start increasing.



Advantages	Disadvantages
Reduces consumption of fossil fuels for electricity production	Wind generators are only feasible in certain areas
Reduces production of greenhouse gases	Each wind turbine kills about one bird per year
Reduces production of pollution	Wind generators make a humming sound that can be heard nearby
Can provide extra income for farmers	Wind generators are tall and can block the views of nearby scenery
Wind is a renewable energy resource	



#### Summarising \_\_

Check understanding – after a period of time (one week) can you still produce a summary of the key content or advantages / disadvantages of a topic?

Can you recall and reproduce written lists or explain to a partner verbally?

#### Can you summarise the:

Strengths and weaknesses Advantages and disadvantages Positives and negatives

#### Mind Map

Start from a blank piece of paper.

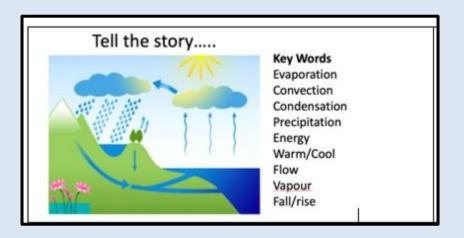
Draw out the mind map from your notes and add simple doodles / colour to help visualise the content.

How much of the mind map can you recall from memory?

Check against a correct version.

Test and retest until you can remember the full version.

Can you describe it verbally?



#### Tell the story

After learning the key content try to create a story that can be written or <a href="mailto:spoken">spoken</a> to include the key concepts.

The story can then be rehearsed and improved with greater detail and accuracy.



#### Brain Dump

Set a time limit (5min or 10min)

Write everything you know about a topic or theme.

For best practice start each sentence on a new line.

Check what areas you missed out and add these at the bottom in CAPITALS or a different colour.



#### Flash Cards

Spend more time testing yourself with them than making them!

Add the title to the reverse.

Read the title

Before turning over write or speak the key content.

Shuffle the pack to get a different sequence.

#### Flash Cards - Leitner System

As above

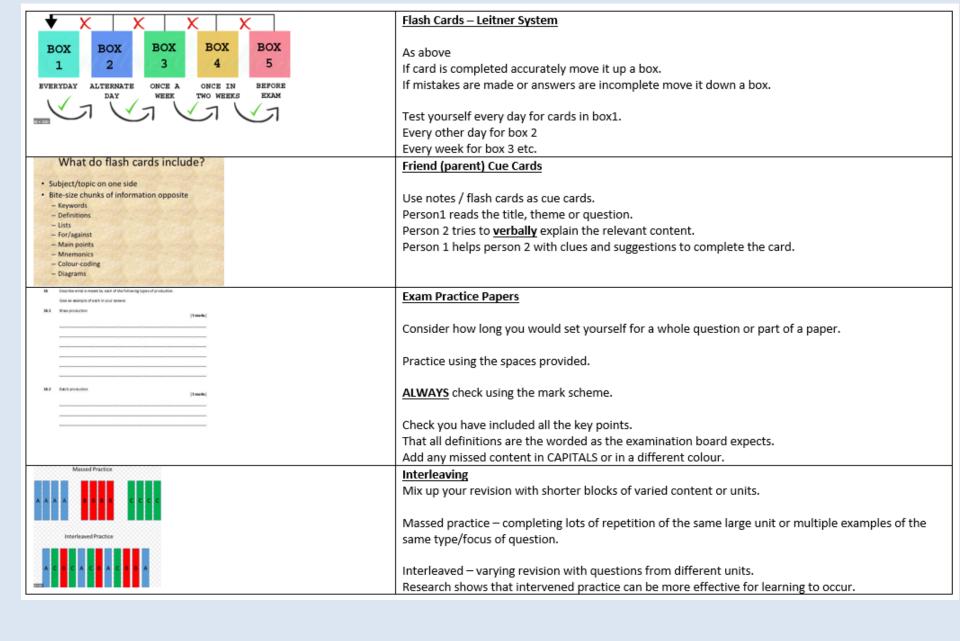
If card is completed accurately move it up a box.

If mistakes are made or answers are incomplete move it down a box.

Test yourself every day for cards in box1.

Every other day for box 2

Every week for box 3 etc.



Put your phone away during revision.			
Start revision early enough to allow retesting.			
Have an organised revision planner to set out revision sessions and other activities.			
Revise in a quiet environment – <b>no</b> background music			
Sleep 8+ hours a night – with regular bedtimes!			
Exercise regularly / fresh air.			
Take regular breaks (5/10 min)			
Eat a sensible breakfast.			
Highlight command words on the question paper. Jot ideas and a plan on the paper before answering the questions.			
Focus on activities that force you to retrieve information and test yourself rather than simply rereading or highlighting notes.			





### **Options Post 16**

- Full time education
- Apprenticeship
- Work or volunteer [at least 20 hours per week] whilst in part-time education or training – job and apprenticeship alerts via school email to all Yr11 pupils





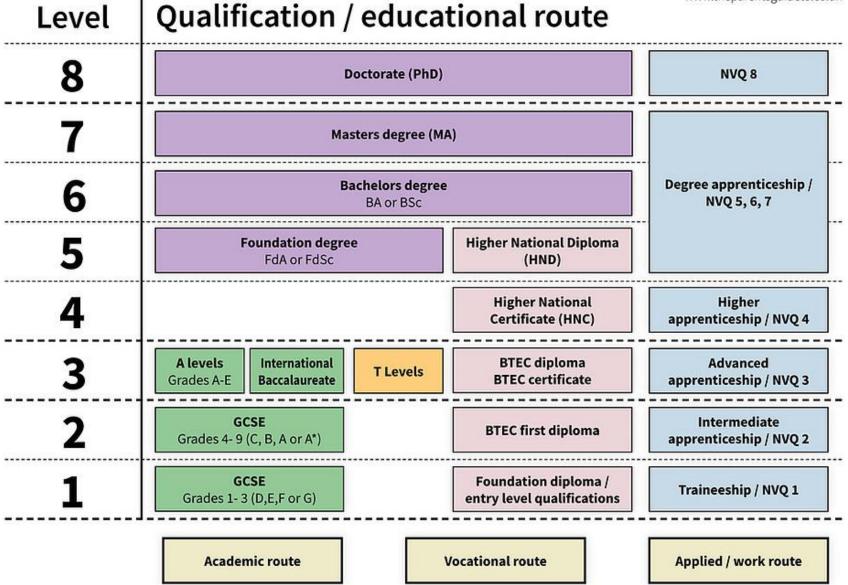


# **Options Post 16**

- A- Levels
- T- Levels
- Vocational
- Apprenticeship



The Parents' Guide to www.theparentsguideto.co.uk



### **2024 Leavers' Destinations**

Provider	Numbers
Burnley College	90
CRGS	34
Cardinal Newman College	31
Blackburn College	23
Nelson and Colne/ ACCROSS	10
Myerscough College	11
St.Christopher's Sixth Form	6

## **Post-16 Support**

Careers Week – January

BRAG – Career Expo – February

Careers lunchtime drop-ins

Work Experience – Summer 25

Taster Day – Nelson and Colne

Careers newsletter

Open Events – Sheet provided

Early careers appointments – Summer 2025

# **Work Experience**

Summer 25 - 23<sup>rd</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> June

Self Placement

Employees' Liability Insurance

Online Information Briefing in Spring Term



#### Careers

HOME & PUPILS & CAREERS

#### Labour Market Information (LMI)

Lancashire Skills and Employment Strategy

Blackburn with Darwen, Hyndburn, Rospendale, Ribble Valley I Burnley and Pendle

#### In This Section

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# I find it easier to revise with music on my phone

I find it easier to diet if I eat school flapjack

# Thank you for Attending

Attendance Behaviour Effort Revision

**Working Together**