

## Year 9

# January Assessment Revision Guide

#### **Revision Habits**

At Benton Park, we believe in 5 keystone revision activities that support knowledge retrieval and having fun with your revision.

- 1. Mindmapping
- 2. Flashcards
- 3. Quizzing
- 4. Model essay plans
- 5. Timed Practice

For each of the topics you should try and use the activities above to help you recall the information you need for you exams.

Here are some helpful things to remember about how to utilise these activities

	Helpful tips	Top things to do
Mindmapping	Use your book to ensure you have all the required information on the map Single words and pictures on branches No more than 5 bullet points per sub section	Create lots of sub categories To be effective, you must practice recall - don't just stick them in your folder or on your wall.
Flashcards	Create 10 - 15 per week and focus on these. Add them together in the following weeks Use different colours to separate categories with a subject	Mix them up over weeks Play pairs, connect 4 in a sentence, odd one out, beat a timer - beat a friend, guess the 5 taken away
Quizzing	Create the answer sheets Share and trade them with friends – the more quizzes the best	Top 10 key facts Multiple choice quizzes Fill in the gaps Crosswords
Model essay plans	Create single side cards with succinct introduction, main body bullet points and conclusion for different topic areas	Bullet points only - no full sentences – it's not a full essay After created, be quizzed_on the content of the card
Timed practice	Set a timer - take away all notes and distractions. This is the last step in any revision - you should have thoroughly studied key content before Write the timings in the margin or at the top of the paper	Do the same timed activity as a friend - swap answers and check against your plan or WAGOLL, Always review your answer against a WAGOLL or mark scheme to see if you have any gaps to learn Create your own exam questions after you've finished – swap with a friend

#### Assessment timetable and topics

Here is your assessment timetable and the subsequent pages list the key topics covered within your assessments. These are given to help you to plan your revision. Where appropriate, your teachers have directed you towards specific pages within the revision guides purchasable from school through ParentPay. Where appropriate, your teachers have also directed you towards specific websites on the internet.

As well as the links on these pages all relevant work can be found in the Knowledge Organisers provided by school.

As you revise, rate how confident you feel about your knowledge, before and after your revision by ticking the box. If you are still Amber or Red after revising, you should ask your teacher for extra clarification on that sub topic.

Your assessments will be conducted in your classrooms.

During your assessment week you will be completing normal curriculum lessons when not completing assessments. Therefore, please bring your normal books and equipment each day so you are ready to continue your learning.

To each assessment please make sure you bring:
Pens (black)
Pencils
Rubber
Pencil sharpener
Scientific calculator
30 cm ruler
Protractor
Set of compasses

#### **English**

Befo	ore	Assessment Focus	Web link or revision guide page.	After	
		Reading analysis on an extract from the short story 'Examination Day'.	https://www.gulfportschools.org/cms/lib07/ MS01910520/Centricity/Domain/1228/exam ination_day_by_henry_slesar.pdf		
		<ul><li>Extracting information from a text</li><li>Analysing writer's use of language</li><li>Evaluating a statement</li></ul>			

#### **How to get top marks:**

- Know the plot: what happens and when? Create a timeline to help you.
- Know the characters: who are they, what happens to them and how does Dahl present them? Create a mind map for each of the main characters and add words to describe them.
- Make sure you use quotations in your answers for each main character, choose and revise five important quotations.
- Revise language methods: simile, metaphor, personification, adjectives, verbs and adverbs.
- Use quotations from the text to support your ideas
- Comment on the effects of the language used What does it suggest? What does it make the reader think?

#### **Mathematics – Higher Tier**

Befo	Before		Topics covered (search for this topic title on Sparx in the independent learning section)		After		
			Pythagoras Theorem				
			Expanding Brackets and Factorising				
			Percentage Change				
			Rearranging Formulae				
			Scatter Diagrams				
			Recurring Decimals				
			Angles in Polygons				

#### The most difficult:

<u>Knowledge</u>	<u>Skills</u>
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www.corbettmaths.com	some of the questions that can be found in the same
You can click on Worksheets or Videos and search	sections on the website.
for individual topics	
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#### **How to get top marks:**

Before the assessment, look through your book to make sure you can remember each of the topics you have covered in class.

- Bring all your maths equipment to each paper, including pen, pencil, ruler and protractor.
- Be able to answer exam style questions.
- Read the question, have you answered what it has asked you to do?
- Include all of your working.
- Use resources like

Corbett Maths - <a href="https://corbettmaths.com/contents/">https://corbettmaths.com/contents/</a> Maths Genie - <a href="https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/gcse.html">https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/gcse.html</a>

On Sparx – go to the Independent Learning Section and search for the topic name in the search bar.

#### **Mathematics - Foundation Tier**

Befo	Before		Topics covered (search for this topic title on Sparx in the independent learning section)		After		
			Averages (Mean, Median, Mode and Range)				
			Scatter Diagrams				
			Angles – Triangles, Quadrilaterals, Parallel Lines				
			Fractions and Percentages				
			Algebra – Expanding single and double brackets. Factorising				
			Pythagoras Theorem				

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#### **Science**

Befo	re	Topics covered	Web link or revision guide page.	After	
		Quick 6 homework memory questions based on semester 1 topics (Cells and	Use semester 1 knowledge		
		organisation, atomic structure and bonding, energy and particle model)	organiser quick 6		
			questions		
		Specialised cells and magnification	Biology revision guide: 16-		
			23		
		Bonding	Chemistry revision guide:		
			47-55		
		Energy	Physics revision guide: 17,		
			24-26, 31-37		

#### The most difficult:

<u>Knowledge</u>	<u>Skills</u>
Describing how to do the required practicals Start by thinking	Calculations: Remember the process
What measurements will I need to take? What equipment will I	Shopping list (what does the question tell you)
need to use.	Equation (the letters) Sum (working out) Answer + units

#### **How to get top marks:**

Look back at all the next steps and closing the gaps work you did following your November assessment. When writing an experimental procedure, think "could someone else follow my instructions and do the experiment I want them to do?"

When doing calculations, think "is my answer sensible in the context of the question?"

#### **Geography**

Befo	re	Topics covered	Web link or revision guide page.	After	
		Erosional processes- hydraulic action, abrasion, attrition, solution			
		Wave types- constructive and destructive			
		Erosional landforms- wave-cut platforms, headlands and bays, crack, cave, arch, stack, stump	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bit esize/topics/z6bd7ty		
		Mass movement- landslides, mudslides, rock fall, slumping	https://timeforgeography.		
		Depositional landforms- beaches, spits, bars	co.uk/video- collections/coasts/		
		Weathering- mechanical, biological, chemical			
		Coastal management (Holderness Coast)- hard and soft engineering strategies			
		Continent of Africa: physical geography	https://education.national geographic.org/resource/ africa-physical- geography/		
		Continent of Africa: human geography: development, tourism, neo-colonialism	https://education.national geographic.org/resource/ africa-human-geography/		

#### The most difficult:

<u>Knowledge</u>	<u>Skills</u>
Use key geographical terminology:     Social- how it impacts a person's quality of life     Economic- how it impacts money/ businesses/ jobs     Environmental- how it impacts the natural world	<ul> <li>Describing is saying what you can see (use TEA)</li> <li>Use PEEL paragraphs to structure your answers (6 and 9 mark questions)</li> <li>Pick out the landforms/ characteristics in the Figures and write about them in your answer</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Formation of erosional and depositional landforms- think about the sequence e.g. how does it start and end?</li> <li>When writing about erosion, always include the type!</li> </ul>	

#### **How to get top marks:**

- 1. Take your time and read the question carefully. You should BUG (box the command word, underline the key geographical words, glance over the question again) the question to help you understand it.
- 2. Use TEA (trend, example, anomaly) to describe graphs, maps, figures.
- 3. Include case study knowledge in your answers (The Holderness Coast, Old Harry's Rocks)

### **History**

Befo	Before		Topics covered	Web link or revision guide page.	After	
			Causes of World War One (Alliances/Naval Race/Assassination of Franz Ferdinand/Road to War)	www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z4crd2p		
			Why did soldiers decide to fight in World War One?	What was life like on the front line in World War One? - World War One - KS3 History - homework help for year 7, 8 and 9 BBC Bitesize		
			Weapons of World War One	What was life like on the front line in World War One? - World War One - KS3 History - homework help for year 7, 8 and 9 BBC Bitesize		
			Trench Conditions	www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z4crd2p		
			Fighting in World War One	What was life like on the front line in World War One? - World War One - KS3 History - homework help for year 7, 8 and 9 BBC Bitesize		
			The Battle of the Somme	What was life like on the front line in World War One? - World War One - KS3 History - homework help for year 7, 8 and 9 BBC Bitesize		

#### The most difficult:

<u>Knowledge</u>	<u>Skills</u>
Ensure you know about the tactics used in World War One. Can you explain what happened when soldiers went over the top? Can you explain bombardment?	When you examine sources please ensure that you consider your knowledge in detail linked to it.

<u>How to get top marks:</u>
When writing the conclusion try to link together the two points you are given.

Link knowledge to the source question.

Give fully explained answers for questions which have 4 marks or more.

#### **Languages – French and Spanish**

Before		Topics covered	After		
		Holidays – activities			
		Holidays – weather			
		Holidays – accommodation			
		Holidays – Problems			
		Healthy Eating			
		Healthy Lifestyles			
		Present tense			
		Imperfect tense			
		Perfect/ Preterite tense			
		Future tense			
		Conditional tense			
		Connectives			
		Time phrases			

#### The most difficult:

<u>Knowledge</u>	<u>Skills</u>
Differentiating between the tenses	Answering questions in English phrases
Reading narrative texts and sequencing activities	Deciding true / false / not mentioned

#### **How to get top marks:**

Learn your vocabulary from English to Spanish so that you have full understanding of the words, not just surface level understanding

Learn a synonym and an antonym for particularly your opinions and adjectives

Use our reading strategies in the exams

Read the question and rubric at the top first: predict what you are reading for

Label / summarise what you know

Remember the answers will go in order throughout the text : highlight the order that you've seen

Do the questions in order of what you find easy

#### <u>Languages – German</u>

Before	Topics covered	Weblinks to Revision	After	
	Types of TV shows	1. Im Fernsehen (on TV) Flashcards   Quizlet		
	Opinions of TV shows	2. Opinions of TV Shows Flashcards   Quizlet		
	Advantages & Disadvantages of TV	3. Advantages & Disadvantages of TV Flashcards   Quizlet		
	School Subjects	4. Die Schulfächer (School Subjects) Flashcards   Quizlet		
	Opinions of School Subjects	5. Opinions of School Subjects Flashcards   Quizlet		
	My School Day	6. Mein Schultag (My school day) Flashcards   Quizlet		
	Time	7. Die Zeit (the time) Flashcards   Quizlet		
	School Rules	8. die Schulregeln (School Rules) Flashcards   Quizlet		

#### The most difficult:

<u>Knowledge</u>	Skills
Reference to others – recognising when the verb has changed from I to he / she / we or they.	Annotating the reading texts, to ensure that you are looking for clues and not omitting key words and context from your answers.
Tenses – recognising and considering what tense an action is taking place in, when translating into English.	Translating from German into English.
Negatives – spotting when a sentence becomes negative because "nicht" (not) or "nie" (never) has been added	

#### **How to get top marks:**

This will be a reading assessment, so you must annotate all texts and look for details before deciding on the answer.

Once you have completed "red / amber / green" on the list above, use our bespoke class Quizlet to revise your weakest topics. These are all linked on Microsoft Teams for you.

We will be completing practice tasks in class. Take these home and work through them again, filling any knowledge and skill gaps. When translating into English, annotate the text first – what tense is each sentence in, are there any grammatical considerations, such as different word order to the English.