THE ROAD TO SUCCESS.

Year 11 2026
Blwyddyn 11 2026

A very successful start to Key Stage Four!

- 77% C+ GCSE Maths and Numeracy /37% A*/A.
- 80% C+ English Language and Literature / 23% A*/A.
- 82 % C+ Science/35% A*/A.

Overall 77% C+ and 29% A*/A in all units sat across the full range of subjects.

Well done!
Da iawn pawb!

School Attendance

Term-time absence

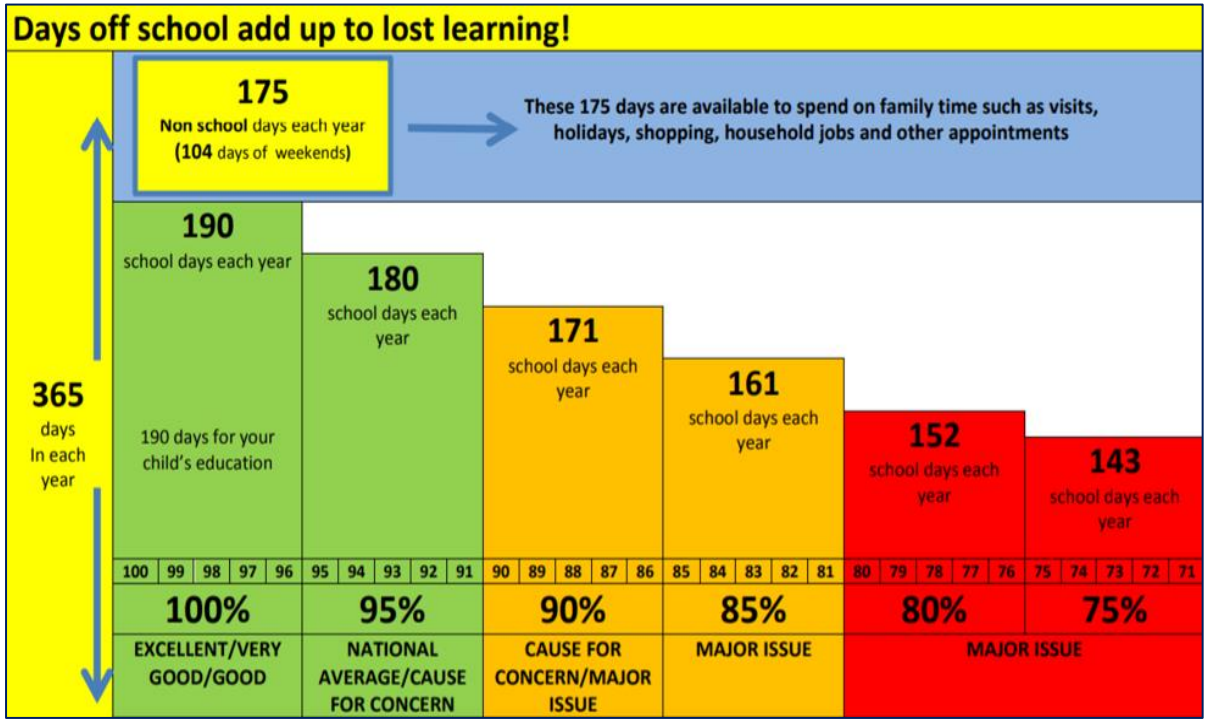
Always consult the school before planning any term time absence.

Taking a holiday during term time means that children miss important school time. As such, **MCS does not authorise term time holidays.**

Lateness to lessons

Students are encouraged to be at their lessons on time for the start.

Imagine being 5min late for every lesson. This would amount to attending only 90% of learning time.



- *It is important to realise the impact student absence can have on their progression.*
- *An attendance rate of 80% is still equivalent to missing one day of school a week.*
- *80% attendance over Yr7 – Yr11, is the equivalent of missing a year of education before GCSEs.*

School Attendance – What to expect

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- School attendance is monitored on a daily basis
- A **specific** reason for absence is required **daily.** If we do not receive this, the **non-attendance will be coded as unauthorised**
- A text message will be sent if your child has not signed in at registration or session 1 – please respond to this message, if you haven't had chance to contact the absence line
- You will be notified when attendance drops below 90% and form tutors or the attendance team will be in touch to offer support
- If attendance continues to drop, medical evidence for the absences will be requested
- Evidence is also required for medical appointments – please limit these during school time
- Referrals can be made to the School Counselling Team or the School Health Nurse, if appropriate
- Our Family Engagement Officer will be able to support for those where a pattern of non-attendance is emerging
- If there is a lack of information or unauthorised absences we will seek advice from the Education Welfare Service
- There will be regular rewards for those who are in school or those who show an improving pattern of attendance

GCSE
English/Saesneg

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English: Progress Update

English Language & Literature

- 81% of students achieved A*-C in last year's Unit 1 examination
- 87% of students achieved A*-C in the Unit 2 NEA
- We've completed 60% of the qualification (Unit 1: poetry and writing examination; Unit 2: ACC and IRP; Unit 3: group discussion and non-fiction writing)

So, what's left?

- Unit 4: An Inspector Calls: DA students will sit this in November
- Single award students will sit U4 in the summer; in the meantime, they'll complete Entry Level English to maximise opportunity for success
- DA students will also sit U5 (Shakespeare and paired discussion), and U6 (non-fiction reading and writing examination)
- The next assessment is the DA AIC examination on 5th November

Supporting *All* to Succeed

- Some learners were unsuccessful in the summer examination; others may have missed their minimum expected grade, or did not sit. Some have yet to complete their NEA
- Four members of staff are giving their time after school to work with these students to prepare them for the Unit 1 re-sit on 2nd November and/or the U2 NEA
- Once the November examination is over, we will move on to focus on the U3 NEA after school, to make sure students have the best grades possible

Handy Tips

Successful students:

- **read** their texts at home. (Establish a routine: at bedtime, the mobile phone stays downstairs, and reading takes place for 20 minutes every night);
- **rote-learn** quotations. (There will be knowledge organisers provided featuring key quotations, so test them);
- **practice** by completing past papers (we will have to create these here because WJEC has produced only one sample paper)
- **check** Google Classroom for homework;
- **are aware** of key dates and deadlines;
- **are prepared** with the correct equipment for class/examination.
- **are resilient**.

GCSE ENG. LANG. & LIT

SUBJECT: 3750U10-1 ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LIT UNIT 1 | PAPER: 01 UNIT 1

TOTAL CANDS: 247 (31537) TOTAL MALES: 130 (16028) TOTAL FEMALES: 117 (15509)

CENTRE STATISTICS compared with ALL Centre Statistics (Shown in grey)

Question	Max Mark	Mean						Facility Factor												Attempt											
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3	1	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	80	80	6	5	80	80	6	5	80	70	6	5	247	31421	100	0	130	15976	100	0	117	15445	100	0
4	2	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	2	1.9	95	95	1	1	95	95	1	1	100	95	1	1	247	31509	100	0	130	16012	100	0	117	15497	100	0
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Double Award GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy

Congratulations on completing 60% of your GCSE!

GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy

NOVEMBER EXAMINATION

Unit 2 Resit:

FRIDAY 6th November (9am) - Non calculator Paper 30%

Summer GCSE Dates:

Unit 1 (Resit only):

FRIDAY 14th May (9am) - Calculator Paper 30%

Unit 3 (All) :

MONDAY 14th JUNE (9am) - Calculator Paper 40%

Additional Maths (Level 2 Certificate)

3 units (50 minutes each)

- Unit 1 – Friday January 8th (AM)

- Unit 1 – Tuesday 15th June (PM) - Resit
- Unit 2 – Wednesday 16th June (PM)
- Unit 3 – Thursday 17th June (PM)

Students will have…

- Workbooklets to work through in class
- GCSE questions to complete at home (Homework)
- GCSE Practise Papers
- After school support – Tuesdays/Wednesday
- Final preparation time during the day before the exam
- Early morning support on day of exam

Revision Resources

- **Revision Guides** – can be useful if students are going to use them
- **Google Classroom** – All lesson powerpoints and workbooklets for catch up.
- https://corbettmaths.com/ Video examples of all topics, worksheets and answers
- https://sparxmaths.com/ - Interactive questions practice and supporting videos

  – Great intervention for at home
- www.mathsdiy.co.uk Exam questions on a range of topics, with worked solutions.

Google classroom

has revision lists, links to video resources, past papers and lesson powerpoints completed in class.

Y11H Maths U2 (Unit 2- Non Calculator)
Higher Resit - Revision Classroom

Stream | Classwork | People | Grades

Workbooklet 2

- Topic 3 - Algebraic Graphs — Posted Jan 27
- Topic 2 - Sequences — Posted Jan 27
- Topic 1 - Solving Equations — Posted Dec 19, 2025
- Workbooklet — Posted Dec 19, 2025

Workbooklet 1

- Workbooklet — Posted Sep 13, 2025
- Topic 1 - Number — Posted Sep 13, 2025
- Topic 2 - Algebra — Posted Sep 13, 2025
- Topic 3 - Fractions and Surds — Posted Sep 13, 2025

Revision Resources

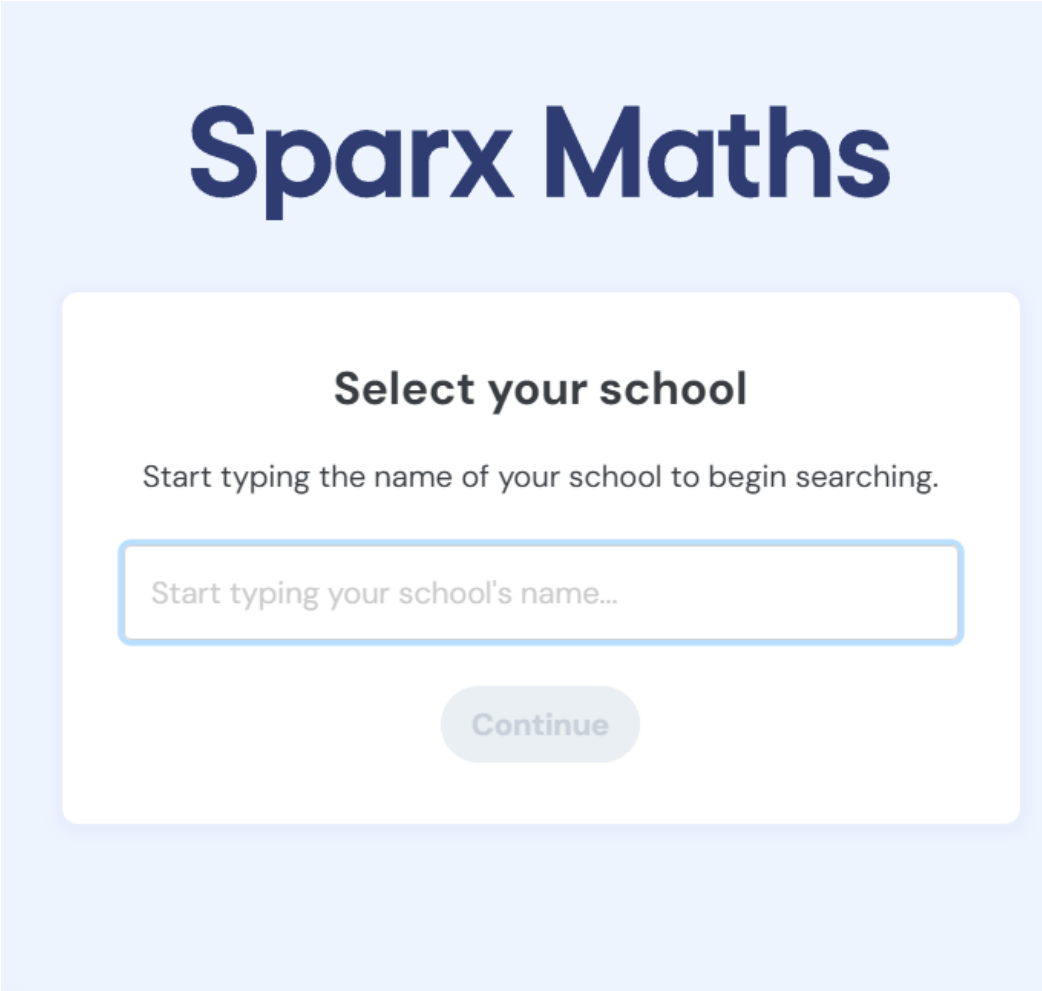
- Practise Papers 1-5 and markschemes
- Higher Unit 2 Revision List

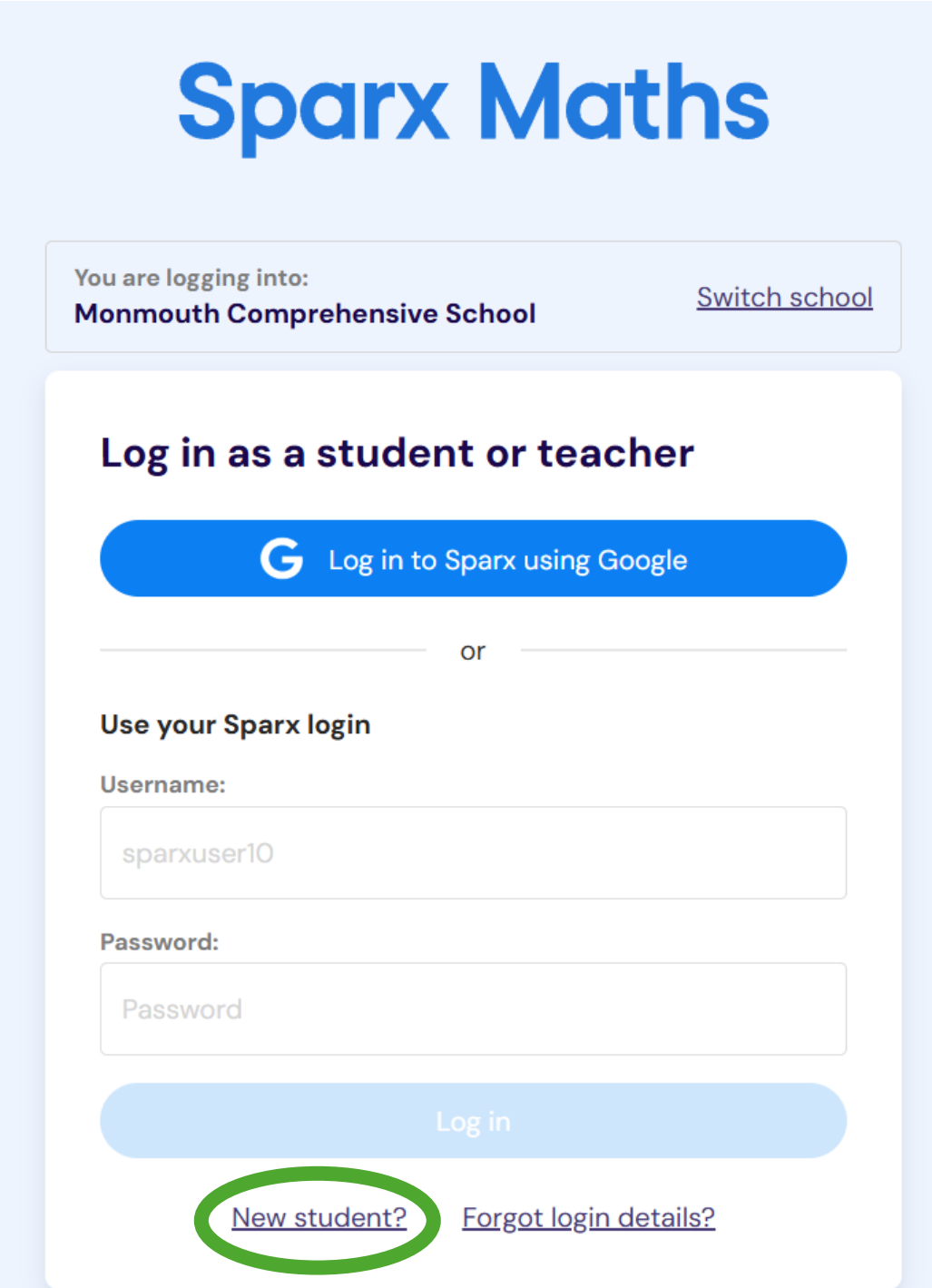
Workbooklet 3

- Topic 3 - Probability
- Topic 2 - Transformations
- Topic 1 - Angles and Circle Theorems
- Workbooklet

Sparx Maths

Very interactive. Great as a revision intervention to use at home independently





Sparx Maths

300 XP

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Menu

Homework

Personal Practice

Independent Learning

Hey

This is your personalised homework. You need to answer every question correctly to complete it.

1/2

Homework ends Tuesday 15th September 3pm Optional Not started

Welcome to Sparx Maths Completed

Homework

Personal Practice

ndependent Learning

Personal Practice

Let Sparx choose practice questions for you, based on what you've done in your homework.

Start new >

Recent activity

There are no previous Personal Practice tasks. Click Start new above to begin your first Personal Practice task.

Homework

Personal Practice

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Independent Learning

Previous activity

Search for topics:

Enter topic name or code

Your curriculum:

GCSE

Default level:

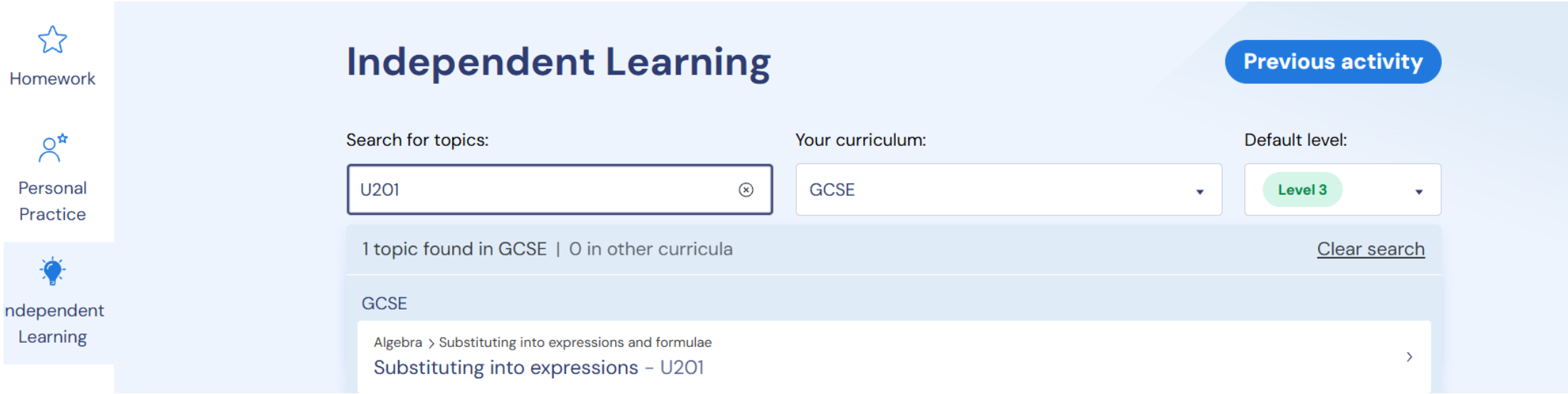
Level 3

Select a topic:

- Number
- Algebra
- Ratio and Proportion
- Geometry
- Probability
- Statistics

Unit 2 - Non Calculator (Higher)

	Topic	SPARX	✓
Up to a C Grade	Rounding - Decimal places, Significant Figures	U298, U965, U480, U731	
	Estimate numerical calculations by approximating the numbers	U225	
	Understand factors, multiples, integers, primes and reciprocal	U211	
	Order and compare whole numbers, decimals, fractions and percentages	U888, U594,	
	Understand and use BIDMAS	U976	
	Express one number as a fraction or percentage of another	U925	
	Find a fraction or percentage of a quantity	U881, U554	
	Substitute numbers into formulae and expressions	U201, U585	
	Collect like terms and expand single brackets	U105, U179	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GCSE
Algebra > Substituting into expressions and formulae
Substituting into expressions - U201

Substituting into expressions – U201

Level 1

Show building blocks

Substituting into expressions with multiple operations

Introduce	Task Item 1 Answer	Task Item 2 Answer	Task Item 3 Answer	Task Item 4 Answer	Task Item 5 Answer
Strengthen	Task Item 1 Answer	Task Item 2 Answer	Task Item 3 Answer	Task Item 4 Answer	
Deepen	Task Item 1 Answer	Task Item 2 Answer	Task Item 3 Answer	Task Item 4 Answer	

Calculator not allowed

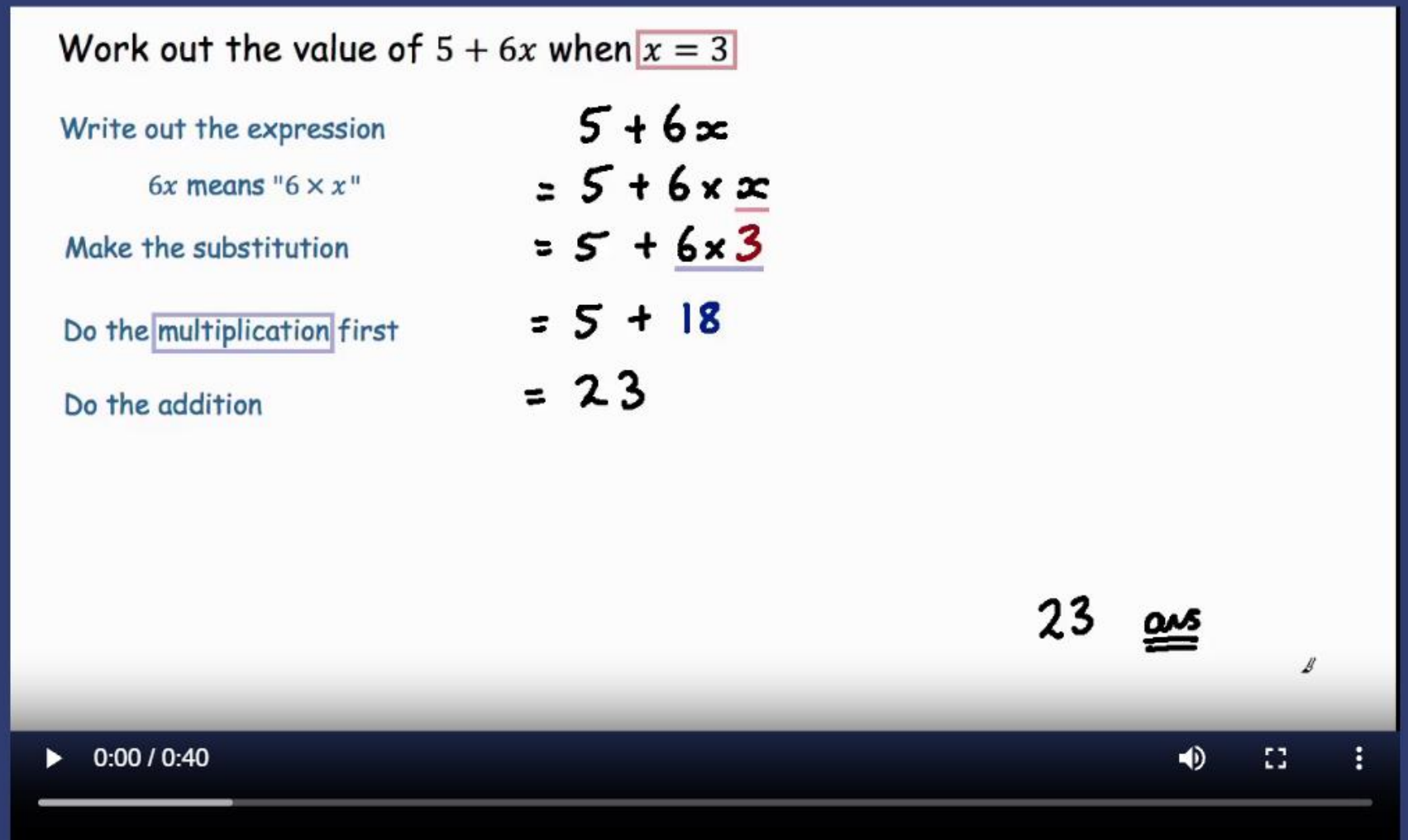
What is the value of $3 + 4x$ when $x = 3$?

Watch video

Answer

Support video

Tip! Watching all of the video will help you get it right. Pause it if you need.



Substituting into expressions – U201

Level 1

Show building blocks

Substituting into expressions with multiple operations

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GCSE MATHS TOPIC BOOKLETS

Search: Subs

GCSE Topic	
Substitution	Solutions

Showing 1 to 1 of 1 entry (filtered from 116 total entries)

Buy Me a Coffee

Recommended WJEC Revision Guides

No products found.

Recommended Calculator for GCSE

No products found.

1. Find the value of $3x + 5y$ when $x = 4$ and $y = -6$.

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(2)

2. Find the value of $5x + 4y$ when $x = -3$ and $y = -2$.

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(2)

3. What is the value of $4a - 6b$ when $a = -5$ and $b = 2$?

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(2)

4. What is the value of $5a + 3b$ when $a = 2$ and $b = -4$?

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1. Find the value of $3x + 5y$ when $x = 4$ and $y = -6$.

$= 3(4) + 5(-6)$

$= 12 - 30 = -18$

(2)

2. Find the value of $5x + 4y$ when $x = -3$ and $y = -2$.

$= 5(-3) + 4(-2)$

$= -15 - 8 = -23$

(2)

3. What is the value of $4a - 6b$ when $a = -5$ and $b = 2$?

$= 4(-5) - 6(2)$

$= -20 - 12 = -32$

(2)

4. What is the value of $5a + 3b$ when $a = 2$ and $b = -4$?

$= 5(2) + 3(-4)$

$= 10 - 12 = -2$

(2)

How can you help…

- Set aside time to complete the homework/revision
  - Past paper homeworks (set fortnightly):
    - Show your workings
    - Attempt every question
    - Hand in punctually so teachers can give feedback promptly

  - Encourage independent work (Practise is the best form of Maths revision)
    - Sparx
    - Maths DIY

- Ensure students are equipped when coming to school – pen, pencil, ruler, **scientific calculator.**

GCSE
Science/Gwyddoniaeth

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Students studying Double or Triple Science have completed 45% of their course to date.

There will be an opportunity to enter students for resits – class teachers will discuss this with students in January.

What assessments are still to come in Year 11?

Exams in Biology, Chemistry and Physics for **ALL students**

- Unit 4 Biology, Unit 5 Chemistry and Unit 6 Physics – **DOUBLE SCIENCE STUDENTS**

- Unit 2 Biology, Unit 2 Chemistry and Unit 2 Physics – **TRIPLE SCIENCE STUDENTS**

- **Practical exams** worth a total of **10% of the final GCSE grade** –
  - **Triple Science** students will complete a practical exam for **Biology, Chemistry and Physics**
  - **Double Science** students will complete **two practical exams only**

Exam Dates:

- **Practical Exams:**

  4th January – 8th February 2027

- **Biology – Triple and Double Science:**

  Tuesday 11th May 2027

- **Chemistry – Triple and Double Science:**

  Monday 17th May 2027

- **Physics – Triple and Double Science:**

  Tuesday 25th May 2027

How can I help my child in Science?

- To be successful in Science students need knowledge… consistent revision is key! They must use the **Revision Classrooms** on **Google Classroom**.

- Check Google Classroom and Sparx Science for homework details.

- Encourage your child to start early, use the support provided and meet all deadlines.

Revision Classroom

J Le Boeuf posted a new assignment: Cell Division, Stem Cells, DNA and Inheritance

Posted Oct 18, 2023 (Edited Oct 18, 2023)

Assigned

L1 Cell Division.pptx
PowerPoint

L2 Stem Cells.pptx
PowerPoint

L3 DNA & Inheritance.pptx
PowerPoint

L4 Alleles & Inheritance.p...
PowerPoint

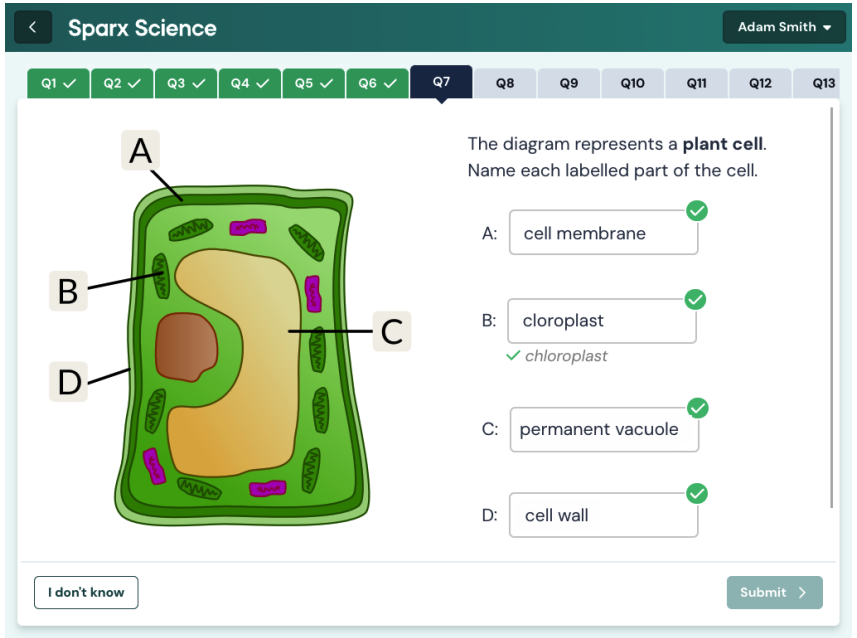
L5 Sex Determination.pptx
PowerPoint

L6 GMOs.pptx
PowerPoint

2.2 & 2.3 NEW ANSWERS ...
Word

Sparx Science – personalised weekly homework

- Teachers select topics that students have already studied in class.
- Sparx builds a personalised set of questions, with support available for every question.
- Regular practice strengthens knowledge. Teachers and parents can track completion and gaps.



GCSE
Cymraeg/ Welsh

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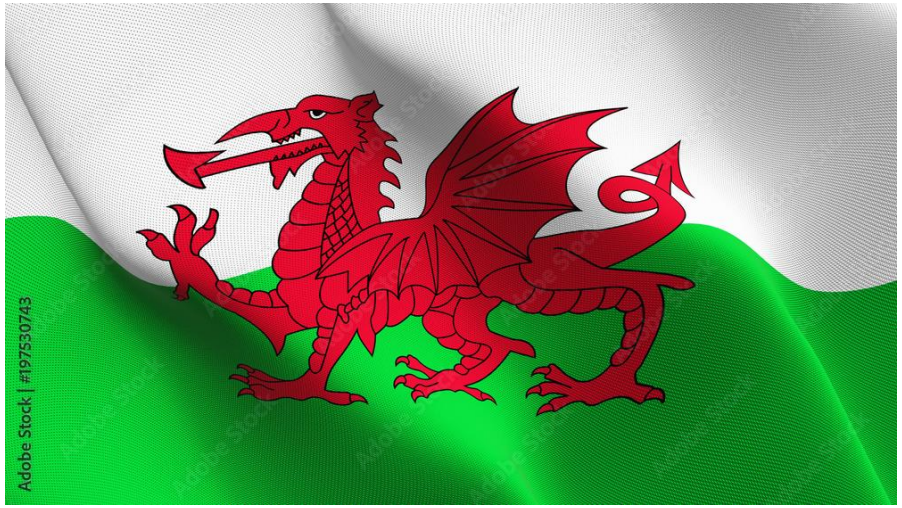
Cymraeg Blwyddyn 11

- Welsh is compulsory for all!
- There are 4 exams in Year 11 for Welsh.

- Speaking and Listening x2
- Reading and Writing x 2



Siarad a Gwrando/ Speaking and Listening

- In both exams, students will work in a pair or group of 3 to respond to a stimulus and discuss a topic.
- Unit 1- video stimulus
- Unit 2- poster stimulus

- Unit 1- November 30th- December 4th
- Unit 2- February 22nd- February 26th

Darllen ac Ysgrifennu/ Reading and Writing

- Thursday 13th May 2027- morning
- Monday 24th May 2027- morning

Darllen ac Ysgrifennu/ Reading and Writing

- In both Unit 3 and 4, there will be a series of reading and writing tasks (some short and long)

- There will also be a question based on literature for the first time- 2 poems and 2 short stories.

- Students will be led through this step by step.

Cefnogaeth/ Support

- Each topic we covered in year 10, there was an exam focus.
- We have been focusing on the Unit 1 exam at the end of the Summer term and this will continue throughout this half term- learning topic vocabulary, watching the video stimulus examples and practising speaking.
- There is a Target 20 intervention group where some students can get further support in the run up to the exams- it is vital the attend.
- All lessons develop a number of skills- attendance in all lessons is very important.
- Revision sessions will be running after school on a Thursday.
- A mock exam before the real thing in November.

Beth rydyn ni wedi dysgu/ What we have learnt from previous years

- Resilience is vital in all Welsh exams. You need to keep going and try all questions and not give up if you find something hard.

- Extended written pieces are not always attempted- that is 20 or 25 marks out of 100 written off. Always write what you know- which is a lot! We practise key sentence structures each lesson.

- Oracy is worth 50%-use the practice time in lessons, listen out for what you know in the video, don’t panic, ignore what you don’t know and try your best. Again- use those key sentence structures.

Sut i helpu/ how to help…

- It’s important that you have a positive attitude- work hard and have the attitude that you can improve and do well! This will lead to success! Resilience is key!

- Listen to Welsh as much as you can outside of lessons. Engage with Welsh media and culture.

- Use resources like Quizlet to help you revise key vocabulary. You will also have cue cards to revise with at home.

- Prepare at home for all mocks and exams. Attend revision sessions. Let us help you.

- Remember Welsh GCSE is a qualification that will take you to the next step. It could really help you in the future.

OPTIONS SUBJECTS….

BUSINESS STUDIES
AND
SOCIAL SCIENCES

Year 11 Business Studies

September – October 2026

- Year 11 will be completing **Unit 2 NEA.**
- This will cover the operations of a chosen business, the impact society has on the business, the impact the business has on society and how this business acts in an ethical way.
- Worth **15%** of the overall qualification

November – February 2027

- Year 11 will complete their **Unit 4 NEA**
- This will cover 'Business Creation', including; Entrepreneurial activity and opportunities.
- Worth **25%** of the overall qualification

February – May 2027

- Year 11 will learn all aspects of Unit 3 in preparation for their **Summer exam on 21st May 2027.** This unit will cover, 'Business Strategies for Success', including; business growth, external factor impacts, financial strategies, marketing strategies, human resources and methods of production
- Worth **30%** of the overall qualification

The opportunity to resit the Unit 1 exam sat in the summer of Year 10 will be available to those require it.

Yr 11 WJEC GCSE Health and Social Care and Childcare

Unit 2: Promoting and Maintaining Health and Wellbeing

Task 1 (10 hours, 40%): **Service Provision**

Investigate the service provision (health, social and/or child care) locally and nationally to meet the needs of a target group

Investigate the job roles of two key professionals

Analyse the findings – are the services needed by the target group available?

Task 2 (15 hours, 60%): **Health Promotion**

Investigate a health issue for a target group. Assess existing health promotion materials.

Plan and produce a health promotion campaign

Analyse the effectiveness of your health campaign

Task 2 is completed first!

Year 11

Completing Unit 2 NEA

Final deadline – Friday 9th April 2027

ALL WORK MUST BE COMPLETED BY THIS DATE!

Also opportunity for Unit 1 Exam resit

Exam date: Friday 28th May 2027

(last day of term)

Available support:

Social Sciences Homework Club – Thursday Break times

PSYCHOLOGY

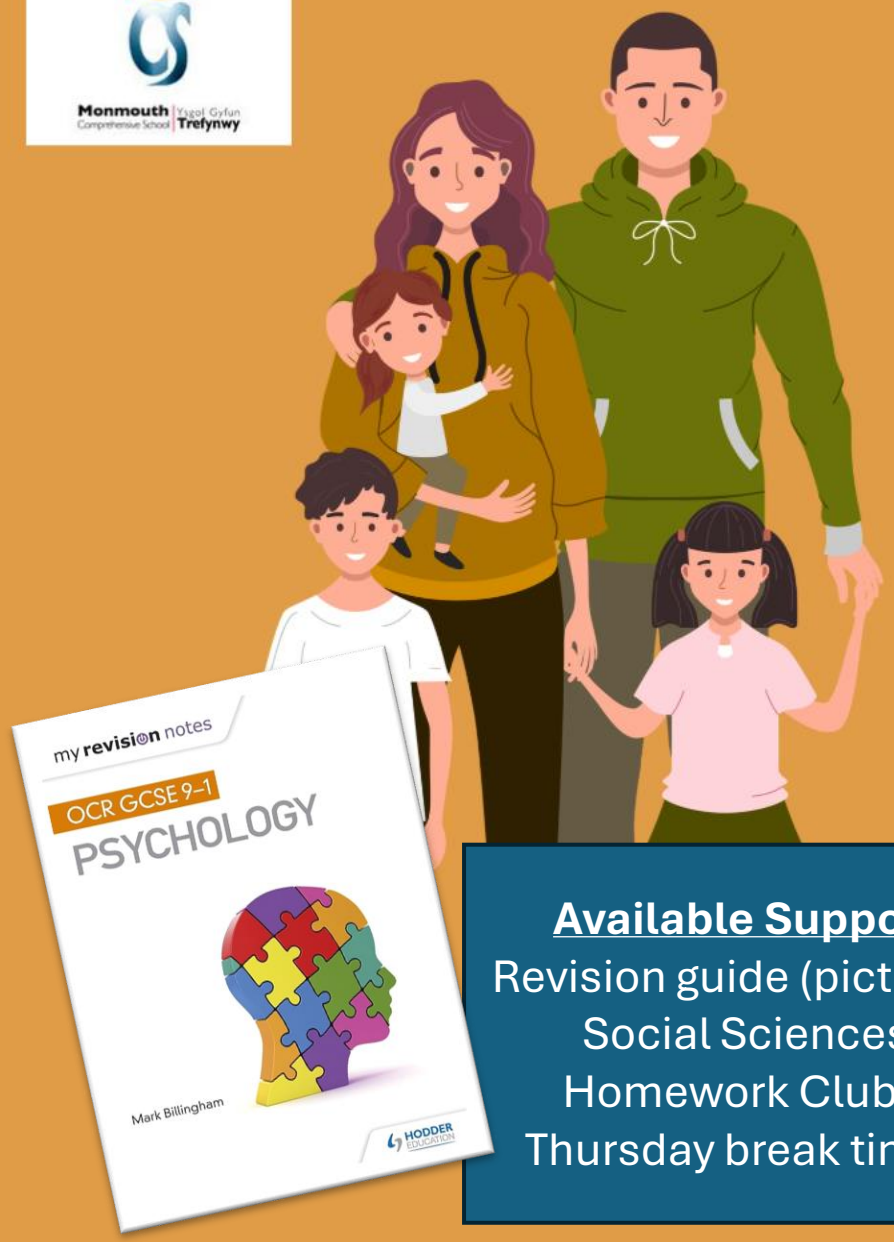
Revision of…

Teaching of…

Year 10	Year 11
Paper 1: Studies and Applications in Psychology	Paper 2: Studies and Applications in Psychology
• Criminal Psychology • Developmental Psychology • Memory • Research Methods	• Social Influence • Psychological Problems • Sleep and Dreaming • Research Methods
Exam date: Mon 10th May	Exam date: Mon 17th May

Key theme of Neuropsychology runs throughout both papers

IMPORTANT POINT: This is an English GCSE so both papers are sat in Year 11, graded 1 - 9



Available Support

Revision guide (pictured)

Social Sciences Homework Club – Thursday break times

PEA

Yr 11 Art

What does Yr 11 look like?

September to Christmas

<u>Completion of Portfolio unit.</u>

(60% of overall grade)

This unit includes **all work** so far from 'Nen' and Year 10, alongside the extension of students individual projects. The individual project (part 1) was completed before the Summer holiday, with the second phase being completed Oct-Dec.

Students will explore their chosen artists, develop ideas and create another final outcome over the next 3 months.

This unit finishes at Christmas as we are unable to revisit this work when we start the Exam unit.

January to May

<u>Externally Set Assignment: Exam unit</u>

(40% of overall grade)

This unit begins with a selection of starting points set by WJEC. Students select one and develop a project in the preparatory period.

The culmination of this preparation is in a 10 hour practical exam, spread over 2 school days, at the end of April/early May.

How can you help/support?

<u>Everything</u> in Art contributes to the final grade, so supporting your child to complete tasks at home is really beneficial. Students have 'post-it' targets throughout their books with things they need to work on.
We also have after school catch up/support sessions every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Students are encouraged to attend at least one session every fortnight if possible.

Drama TGAU · Dyddiadau Allweddol | Year 11 information for parents and carers

40%
of GCSE

UNIT 1

Devised Performance

Fri 16 October
Rehearsal day (all day)

Wed 21 October
Performance exam

Following weeks
Written portfolio due

30%
of GCSE

UNIT 2

Performance for a Visiting Examiner

End of February 2027
Assessed live by a WJEC examiner

Exact date
Confirmed once the examiner is allocated

30%
of GCSE

UNIT 3

Written Exam

Fri 14 May 2027
Afternoon, 2 hours

Format
On-screen exam

Please note
Date is provisional until WJEC confirms

Yr 11 Music - Cerddoriaeth

Performance:

Next performance exam opportunity will be Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th November
(all of unit 1 performance should then be complete 32.5%)

Composition:

Two compositions (unit 2- 32.5%) by February half term

Composition reflection by Easter holidays

Listening:

Unit 3 Listening paper (35%) on computers Thursday 27th May pm

HUMANITIES

What will the new GCSE Geography look like in 2027?

Unit 1 – Our Physical and Human World

Exam Based Assessment sat in Year 10 – 30% of GCSE

Core Topics and Understanding of Geography
covering –
Drainage Basins/Rivers
Coastal Environments
Migration – Causes, Impacts and Management
Settlement Change – Urbanisation and Global Cities.

Opportunity to resit in the summer of Year 11 if required

Unit 2 – Fieldwork Skills NEA

Set and Marked by WJEC
25% of GCSE

Covering set topics
including –
Flows, Settlement, Sustainability, Mitigating Risk, Inequality, Place and Space, Change over Time.

Completed end of Year 10 and into Year 11

Unit 3 – Dynamic and Diverse World

Exam Based Assessment sat in Year 11 – 30% of GCSE

Core Topics and Understanding of Geography
Covering –
Inequality – Development
Weather, Climate Change, Physical and Human Global Challenges.

Unit 4 – Sustainable Solutions NEA

Set by WJEC marked in School and sent off – Worth 15% of GCSE

Sustainable Decision Making Exercise
based on a set of resources from the WJEC, requires submission of independent research to support the task.

Completed in Year 11

Hanes / History – the Yr 11 Road Ahead!

The History qualification is made up of 4 modules. 3 exams and 2 NEA

Two modules were studied in Year 10 – These are depth studies and are worth 25% each.

- **UNIT 1 - Depression, War and Recovery Britain 1930-1951** Students will sit this exam in the May of Yr 11
- **UNIT 2 - Germany in Transition 1919-1939** Students sat this exam in the June of Yr 10

Students who did not achieve a C in the Germany exam this summer will resit in June 2027. With another year of maturation and skills development, students are likely to be able to boost their grades. The highest mark is always taken, so nothing ventured, nothing gained!

There may be an opportunity to resit in January (we're awaiting WJEC confirmation), otherwise it will be summer 2027.

In Year 11, two further modules will be studied:

- **NEA – 2 essays worth 20% combined**

Two written pieces focussing on source analysis (Conditions in Industrial Whitechapel) and testing interpretations ('Jack the Ripper was never caught due to police failures'). Completion by all, by Christmas.

- **Warfare Through Time – This is a breadth study and is worth 30%**

A synoptic study of the changing nature of warfare from c1250 to the present day. This paper will be examined in June 2027.

Students can best prepare through:

- Consistent attendance to lessons,
- Ensuring all class and homework tasks are complete and well presented / organised (no gaps in books / books being revision ready),
- Using department revision resources to support revision, using Past Paper Questions, attending revision sessions, revising for all modular tests and mock exams as thoroughly as possible
- Speaking to teachers about any issues or problems to get timely support.

There will be a DWR mock in December as part of PPE fortnight

We hope students feel fully supported in this course. We will do all we can to help every individual enjoy the course and reach their potential. We love it!

How parents can help:

- Discussing topics with students / allowing students to organise and articulate their thinking / using you as a sounding board
- Testing knowledge
- Watching documentaries together and discussing. Considering why people hold their views and how they might have been formed.
- Ensuring students are equipped for learning with stationery, exercise books etc (bags packed for school the night before!)

Year 11 GCSE RS

Students have sat their Unit 2 NEA on Relationships in Year 10.

The remaining 3 Units will be examined in Year 11.

Upcoming:

- Unit 3 Mock Exam: October
- Unit 4 NEA completed in class on Human Rights: November to January – to be marked by WJEC
- Unit 1 Mock Exam: February
- Unit 1 and 3 to be examined in the Summer Series.

LANGUAGES

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Year 11 WJEC GCSE Languages: The Year Ahead

Parent Information Evening

Bonjour Hallo ¡Hola!

Languages open doors

PEOPLE • CULTURES • OPPORTUNITIES

Different languages A brighter future

Exam Units

- **Unit 1: Oracy NEA** – 30% of the qualification. Speaking test of 7–10 minutes with 10 minutes' preparation, completed in April.
- **Unit 2: Reading and Writing NEA** – 15% of the qualification. One-hour non-exam assessment with a written response in target language, completed in March.
- **Unit 3: Listening – 20%** of the qualification. Written examination lasting 45 minutes.
- **Unit 4: Reading and Writing – 35%** of the qualification. Written examination lasting 1 hour 30 minutes, including reading, translation and a writing task.

Exam dates (provisional - WJEC Languages)

- **March 2027** – Unit 2 NEA
- **April 2027** – Unit 1 Speaking
- **May / June 27** – Unit 3 exams
- **May / June 27** – Unit 4 exams

Tuesday 2nd March – German Year 11 NEA (JSN)
Tuesday 9th March – Spanish Year 11 NEA (ARO)
Tuesday 16th March – French Year 11 NEA (CEV)

How students can best prepare

- Revise vocabulary little and often
- Practise listening, reading, speaking and writing weekly
- Use class notes, booklets and past questions
- Learn from feedback and improve target areas
- Attend intervention / revision sessions

How families can help support

- Encourage 10–15 minutes of revision most days
- Test key vocabulary and speaking answers
- Check homework and revision tasks are completed
- Help create a quiet routine for study
- Praise effort, progress and resilience

MORE THAN A SUBJECT

TECHNOLOGY

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GCSE Built Environment
Unit 1 resits 35% Exam- Summer 2027
Unit 2 (40%) and Unit 3 (25%) NEAs Deadline 14th April 2027

GCSE Fashion and Textiles and Product Design
Unit 1 50% Exam- Summer 2027
Unit 2 50 % NEA. Final deadline 26th February 2027. (Split into 5 sections. Deadline for each section is on Google Classrooms)

GCSE Digital Technology

Unit 2 NEA 40% - deadline 11/12/26
Unit 3 NEA 20% - Deadline 12/03/27
Unit 1 On Screen Exam 40% Summer 2027

GCSE Computer Science.
Unit 2 practical exam 50% May 2027
Unit 1 Resits 50% on-screen theory exam May 2027

BTEC Engineering Level 1/Level 2.

Unit 1 - resits 25% On-screen Exam 4th December2026.
Unit 3 – 25% NEA
Assignment A starting 14/09/26, final resubmission deadline 13/11/26.
Assignment B starting 02/11/26, final resubmission deadline 18/12/26.
Unit 5 – 25% NEA
Assignment A starting 14/12/26, final resubmission deadline 26/02/27.
Assignment B starting 15/02/27, final resubmission deadline 10/04/27.

Hospitality and Catering Level 1/Level 2.

Unit 1 on-screen exam 40% Summer 2027
Unit2 60% and consists of
Practical exam February 15th – 19th.
NEA 12th March 2027

Hannah Feldon
Head of Year 11

A Focus on Wellbeing and how to Navigate the year Healthily, Positively, and Productively!

We're one step closer and on the home straight…

<u>Key ingredient for success:</u>

Attendance– 95% and above

Punctual attendance to lessons

Looking and planning ahead – long term preparation

Talking about concerns and asking for help

Spending time in the tough spots

Protecting and safeguarding wellbeing.

<u>My Priority:</u>

Maintaining strength, smiles and sanity.

Ensuring no regrets

TYPES OF NEGATIVE THINKING

Should Statements
Statements you make to yourself about what you "should" do

Mental Filtering
Focusing only on the negative aspects of a situation, filtering out the positive

Personalization
Assigning blame to yourself for things out of your control

Emotional Reasoning
When you decide that because you feel something, it must be true

Overgeneralizing
Making a general assumption based on limited experience or evidence

Magnification or Minimization
Magnifying what others think or minimizing your attributes/ achievements

Jumping to Conclusion
Making a decision without having all the facts

All-or-Nothing Thinking
Thinking in a polarizing, black-or-white way

I have to...

My teacher's making me...

I can't do it...

I hate it...

I get to...

My teacher's supporting me by...

I can't do it yet, but...

I'm struggling with it at the moment, so...

Advice for Students

Be organised

Focused, productive work session.

Find or create a space for study

Set manageable targets and allow rewards

Use and seek out support

PRIORITISE WELLBEING

Sleep, eat well, rest, socialise, maintain hobbies.

Be comfortable with being uncomfortable

Advice for Parents

Discuss with your child how you can help during the revision period

Help organise a revision and wellbeing timetable around exam dates and provide any equipment that might help

Encourage them to take regular breaks during long periods of revision and have relaxation time

Secure a quiet, comfortable space for revision.

Keep them well supplied with healthy, sustaining food and drink

Encourage them to get to bed/sleep on time and make an early start – morning revision is more effective than late at night

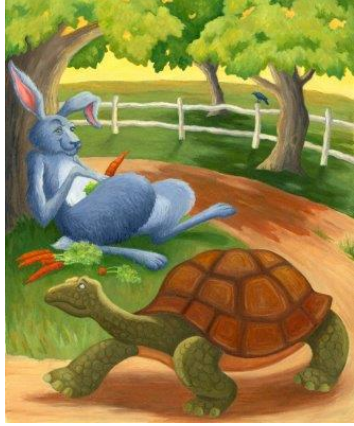
BISCUITS!!

Give plenty of praise and encouragement and stay calm. It is all important, but so is wellbeing and so are your relationships

Respond positively when they ask for help
Be prepared to listen when they want to talk about problems

Remove devices from sleep spaces

Yr 10 2025 – Yr 11 2026
TEAM HFE on the Key Stage Four Journey together



Remember that at the root of it all –
HAPPINESS AND WELLBEING
We can only really learn, focus and cope with pressure when we are nourished, rested and happy.

Results are important, but they do not define you.

Yr 11 matters, but you matter more.

Your sense of citizenship, kindness, manners and courage mean more than any letter on a certificate.

This is a truly special cohort.
it is my privilege to complete this chapter with you all.

DIOLCH YN FAWR

Key dates for the diary 2026/27

• Monday 2nd November	English Unit 1 Resit Exam
• Thursday 5th November	English Unit 4 Exam for all
• Friday 6th November	Maths Unit 2 Resit Exam
• Thursday 22nd October	Year 11 Parents' Evening
• Monday 30th November	Assessment Fortnight (including GCSE Welsh Oral exam)
• Week Beginning 18th January	Science Practical Exams
• Thursday 21st January	Sixth Form Open Evening
• Wednesday 3rd February	Careers and Higher Education Fair
• Monday 8th March	Year 11 Parent and Student Information Evening
• Monday 10th May	Summer Exams begin
• Wednesday 23rd June	Summer Exams finish
• Wednesday 23rd June	Year 11 Prom
• Thursday 19th August	GCSE Exam Results

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