



THORNS
COLLEGIATE ACADEMY

REVISION

Advice & Guidance

Maths

Websites:

Mathswatch – video clips explaining every aspect of the course, with interactive questions where students can get instant feedback. Students have been given individual log in details by their class teacher.

Mymaths.co.uk (username: thorns; password: pentagon)

JustMaths – video clips going through exam questions (username: ThornsStudent; password: Thorns)

Onmaths – students can complete predicted exam style papers online

Mathsgenie – access to past papers & solutions, exam questions by topic/grade.

Maths KS4 Class Site - students can find 'Churchill practice papers', which consists of 5 sets of Higher and 5 sets of Foundation practice papers, with solutions, as well as some Edexcel practice

ParentPay - Available to purchase, through ParentPay, are sets of revision cards for £3, (which includes a free online revision guide), Collins 'All in One Complete Practice & Revision Guides' for £3.99 (Higher or Foundation tier) and Justaroo 'Crossover Revision guide/workbooks' (mainly suitable for students in set 2, 3 & 4) for £5.50.

English

The Thorns English Department YouTube page

Science

Websites:

Century Tech – <https://app.century.tech>

GCSE Pod - www.gcsepod.com

Seneca – <https://senecalearning.com/>

Science revision guides are available to purchase through ParentPay

Art

Websites:

<https://www.studentartguide.com/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z6hs34j>

Languages

Websites:

Pearson Active Learn – www.pearsonactivelearn.com

Linguascope - www.linguascope.com

Seneca – <https://senecalearning.com/>

History

Websites:

GCSE Pod - www.gcsepod.com

The History Class Site on the Student Portal

GCSE History - AQA - BBC Bitesize

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zxjk4j6>
(also see other exam boards for topics)

Thorns History YouTube Channel (set to launch in late January)

Books:

Revise AQA GCSE (9-1) History: America, 1840-1895: Expansion and consolidation, Pearson

Oxford AQA GCSE History (9-1): Elizabethan England c.1568-1603

Oxford AQA GCSE History (9-1): Conflict and Tension: The Interwar Years

My Revision Notes: AQA GCSE (9-1) History, Hodder Education

Geography

Websites:

GCSE Pod - www.gcsepod.com

Kerboodle – www.kerboodle.com

Thorns Geography YouTube Channel

Computer Science

Websites:

Isaac Computer Science website - <https://isaacomputerscience.org/>

BBC Bitesize - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zmtchbk>

Craig'n' Dave Videos -

https://www.youtube.com/c/craigndave/playlists?view=50&sort=dd&shelf_id=1

Clear Revise revision guide

Music

Students should be practising their chosen pieces for 20-30 mins a day in preparation for their externally assessed unit

Dance

BTEC Dance Revision Guide

PE

Websites:

GCSE Pod - www.gcsepod.com

GCSE PE Revision Guide

Acting

BTEC Acting Revision Guide

Product Design & Engineering

DT KS4 Subject Site on the Student Portal

(All the resources and links are on the bottom half of this page)




gcsepod


education on demand

TOP REVISION TIPS


Don't let the stress of revision overwhelm you. Stay in control with these top tips.

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1 START AS EARLY AS YOU CAN

Cramming at the last minute is stressful and has limited success.
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2 MAKE A PLAN

Work out how much time you have and how long you can spend on each subject.
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3 CREATE A STUDY SPACE

Find a quiet spot away from distractions and keep your things all in one place.
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4 MIX IT UP

Use a mixture of revision for best results. See our metacognition pods for more info.
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5 TAKE REGULAR BREAKS

It is possible to work too hard, make sure to take regular breaks.
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6 REVISE WITH A FRIEND

Talking through what you've learned can help information stick.
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7 USE PAST PAPERS

These are a great way to get used to exam format and testing what you have learnt.
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8 EAT HEALTHY

Certain foods boost your brainpower and will help you remember more.

6 Ways to Reduce Stress

by @inner_drive | www.innerdrive.co.uk

- 1 Remove uncertainty**
How is this similar to what you have done before?
- 2 Be proactive**
What can you do to improve the situation?
- 3 Reframing**
View the task as an opportunity not a threat.
- 4 Best case scenario**
Focus on what you stand to gain, not what you stand to lose.
- 5 Get a good night's sleep**
It's the way the brain works, everything seems worse when you are really tired.
- 6 Talk to someone**
Don't struggle in silence.

