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YEAR 10 GCSE Mock Exams Key Information

SUBJECT:	English
What should I revise?	English Language Paper 1 – reading comprehension, language analysis and creative writing. English Literature Paper 2 – An Inspector Calls, Power and Conflict Poetry, Unseen Poetry
What resources should I use?	Booklets – you should have received these back from your teacher. Revision guides – CGP or yorknotes are good options. BBC Bitesize Youtube channels – Mr Bruff is an excellent option.
What the exam will be like (papers and timings)	English Language Paper 1 – 1hr 45 mins English Literature Paper 2 – 2hrs 15 mins
Other notes	

SUBJECT:	Maths
What should I revise?	Anything that you have ever been taught in maths since starting school could be tested. Focus your attention on the topics we have been learning this year. If you are feeling overwhelmed, then complete the XPBoost and Target homework's on Sparx every week and simply use the other resources to look up extra explanations for any questions you found hard.
What resources should I use?	Sparx XPBoost, Target and independent learning. Revision guides – CGP GCSE foundation is a good option. Corbett maths videos and worksheets: https://corbettmaths.com/contents/ Corbett maths 5 a day, numeracy, foundation and foundation plus: https://corbettmaths.com/5-a-day/gcse/
What the exam will be like (papers and timings)	Paper 1: 1 hour 30 minutes – 80 marks – Non-calculator Paper 2: 1 hour 30 minutes – 80 marks – Calculators allowed Paper 3: 1 hour 30 minutes – 80 marks – Calculators allowed
Other notes	Any topic could come up on any of the three papers, therefore you should revise everything for every paper. Each paper will be a mix of straight forward 1 mark answer questions, multiple mark calculations, and multiple mark longer problem solving, worded type questions.

SUBJECT:		Science	
What should I revise?	B1 – Cell structure B2 – Transport in cells B3 – Cell division B4 – Organisation in animals B5 – Enzymes B6 – Organisation in plants B9 – Photosynthesis B10 – Respiration	C1 – The atom C2 – The periodic table C3 – Bonding C4 – Quantitative chemistry	P1 – Energy stores and transfers
What resources should I use?	Core questions in 100% books Core question sheets handed out in class Seneca assignment		
What the exam will be like (papers and timings)	Two 1 hour 15 min GCSE Combined Science examinations. Biology paper 1 Chemistry & Physics paper 1		
Other notes	Please speak to Mr. Cunningham if you have any further questions.		

SUBJECT:		History
What should I revise?	Power 1000-2014 Reformation	
What resources should I use?	Revision guide, booklets and exercise books 100% books	
What the exam will be like (papers and timings)	4, 8, 14, 10 and 20 mark questions	
Other notes		

SUBJECT:		Geography
What should I revise?	Natural Hazards (Tectonic hazards, weather hazards and climate change), Coasts (not rivers!) and Urban Issues and Challenges (Rio and Bristol)	
What resources should I use?	CGP Revision Guides, Booklets, Seneca, BBC Bitesize	
What the exam will be like (papers and timings)	1,2,3,4,6 and 9 Mark Questions 81 Marks Total 90 Minutes	
Other notes		

SUBJECT:	IT
What should I revise?	Practical IT skills in Data Manipulation (Spreadsheets)
What resources should I use?	A good online resource for revision: https://excel-practice-online.com/
What the exam will be like (papers and timings)	90 minute practical task where you will be given a scenario and have to complete a range of tasks on data provided. Will include tasks like adding rows, creating tables, creating formulae to solve problems.
Other notes	Formula to revise: SUM, AVERAGE, MAX, MIN, VLOOKUP, IF, SUMIF, COUNTIF

SUBJECT:	Drama
What should I revise?	GCSE Drama Edexcel component 3: All vocabulary from KS4 knowledge organisers, watch live theatre shows and Ocean at the End of the lane along with notes taken.
What resources should I use?	Knowledge organisers, GCSE bitesize, GCSE booklets, CGP guides and watching theatre e.g., via link below Login: https://www.dramaonlinelibrary.com/custom-browse?docid=nationalTheatreCollections12 Username: MTOKPD Password: USQXNZ
What the exam will be like (papers and timings)	1hr 20 minutes in total. You will be conducting a two-part exam. Section A: Will consist of short answers on DNA Performer and Director questions only! Section B: You will watch an Ocean at the End of the Lane at the Milton Keynes theatre on 29 th June and will take notes. You will answer Analysis and Evaluation questions on this show. Performer question only!
Other notes	Go over what analysis and evaluation (live theatre review) is and Drama keywords. You will be focusing on the 'Performer and Director questions' only for this exam.

SUBJECT:	Art
What should I prepare?	Ensure you have completed the list " <i>What do I need to have in my sketchbook?</i> " at the back of your mock exam paper. This includes the class work and homework tasks you have been working on to meet the Assessment Objectives.
What resources should I use?	You must ensure your sketchbook is in school and you bring any loose work you wish to submit in support of your coursework. You are allowed and encouraged to look at your sketchbook work to support you with drawing and decision making in the exam. Any art materials you wish to use will be provided but you are welcome to bring own paints/brushes/pens if you wish.

What the exam will be like (papers and timings)	You will have a 5 hour exam which will be sat over the course of 1 day (with usual break/lunch). You will access the Art room during form time to set up your desk and equipment so you are ready to start the exam promptly at 9am.
Other notes	Standard exam conditions – NO music/ headphones. You CANNOT work on previous sketchbook work during this time. This must be complete before the exam.

SUBJECT:	GCSE PE
What should I revise?	Anatomy & Physiology (skeletal, muscular, CV and respiratory system), Physical Training, Diet & Nutrition
What resources should I use?	Previous booklets (grab folders from JCE room), mini green revision books, Light blue revision book from JCE room
What the exam will be like (papers and timings)	1 hr 45 mins Multiple choice questions, short and long answers, 9-mark questions
Other notes	Speak to Mr Colbourne or Miss Howe for extra resources