



**\*\*Top Tips for Revision\*\***

**1. Start revising early**

Begin revising months, not days, before the exam. Starting early ensures plenty of time to build confidence with the material and ensures the information will move into your long-term memory.

**2. Plan your revision using a timetable**

Organize your revision with a timetable. This helps you stay focused, knowing you're covering everything needed. We've provided a suggested timetable for Hodgson Academy students, recommending two 20-minute tasks each day. Please see the Y11 Guided Revision document – the link is here.

WEEKLY REVISION PLANNER								
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	TIME	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
8:30AM-4PM	SCHOOL	SCHOOL	SCHOOL	SCHOOL	SCHOOL	8AM-10AM	BREAKFAST/SHOWER	BREAKFAST/SHOWER
4PM-5PM	HOMEWORK	TV/ GAMING/ SOCIAL MEDIA	HOMEWORK	TV/ GAMING/ SOCIAL MEDIA	HOMEWORK	10AM-11AM	REVISION - ENGLISH	REVISION - SCIENCE
5PM-6PM	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	11AM-12PM	SEEKING FRIENDS/ LUNCH	SPORT/ LUNCH
6PM-7PM	REVISION - GEOGRAPHY	HOMEWORK	REVISION - HISTORY	REVISION - FRENCH	REVISION - SCIENCE	1PM-3PM	REVISION - MATHS	REVISION - FLASH CARDS
7PM-8PM	REVISION - MATHS	FREE TIME	FREE TIME	HOMEWORK	FREE TIME	3PM-5PM	OUT WITH FAMILY	SPORT/ TV/ GAMING
8PM-9PM	FREE TIME/ PRACTICE	FREE TIME/ PRACTICE	FREE TIME/ PRACTICE	FREE TIME/ PRACTICE	FREE TIME/ PRACTICE	6PM-8PM	DINNER/ FREE TIME	DINNER/ FREE TIME



**3. Set up a tidy, organised study space and keep your phone and other distractions away**

Find a well-lit space with your materials close at hand, away from distractions like your phone or TV. Phones are tempting distractions so put yours aside while revising to stay focused. Also, avoid studying in bed to stay alert.

**4. Write down notes, don't just read them and vary your revision with different activities**

Reinforce your learning by jotting things down. Writing things out is a simple but effective way to make information stick. Use different techniques to do this as modelled at the revision fair: writing notes from memory, dual coding, mind-maps, self-quizzing, thinking frames, flash cards and completing practice questions. A link to some of these methods can be found here.



**5. Don't spend ages making your notes look pretty**

Your time is precious. Focus on capturing key details rather than creating a 'work of art'. For diagrams, include the essentials you need to learn.



**6. Stick revision notes around your house**

Place reminders in spots you see daily. When you're in the exam, you'll remember those key facts you stuck on the fridge! Use your post-it notes from the revision fair.

**7. Do plenty of practice papers and questions**

Familiarity with practice papers gives you an edge on exam day. Check out past papers from your exam board for practice.

### **8. Bring revision on the go**

If you prefer digital resources, bring them along on your phone or tablet to fit in extra study time while you're out and about.

### **9. Schedule time for relaxation**

Balancing revision with leisure helps keep you motivated. Don't forget to unwind with activities you enjoy.

### **10. Eat and sleep well**

Proper rest, hydration, and nutrition are essential for focus and memory. Take care of your body, so your mind is ready to perform. A rested brain absorbs and retains information better, so avoid cramming the night before. Get quality sleep to wake up refreshed and focused.



### **Finally, on the exam day, arrive early**

Avoid unnecessary stress by giving yourself extra time to reach the exam hall. Once there, stay calm, trust your preparation, and ignore any last-minute nerves from others.

**Good luck! You've put in the work, and Hodgson Academy is behind you all the way!**