



3 steps to plan an effective home revision timetable

- 1. Long term plan**
- 2. Short term plan**
- 3. Daily plan**



Why plan a revision timetable?



1. Achieve best grades possible.
2. Avoid last minute rush the night before an exam.
3. Establish a routine.
4. Share revision time between subjects.
5. Get a balance between revision & leisure time – reduce stress.



Guide to amount of revision



1. Term 3 (~1 hour per night, plus homework)
2. February holiday (~2-3 hours per day)
3. Term 4 (~1 hour per night, plus homework)
4. Easter holiday – 6 to 22 April (~3-5 hours per day)
5. Term 5 – 5 weeks in school but only 3 weeks until GCSE exam begin on 13 May (~2 hours a night)
6. May Bank Holiday – 6 May (~6 hours)
7. Study leave (from 23 May) to last exam (~6 hours per day)



1. Long term monthly revision plan



- Put at least an hour aside with your child.
- Ask to see their statement of entry with exam dates.
- Write these on the long term planning sheet.
- Discuss the timing and pattern of the exams.
- Work backwards from the date of each exam.
- Block out any special events or days out.
- Plan for at least one day off per week.
- Discuss what subjects to focus on each day.
- Stick plan some where prominent e.g. fridge door.
- Allow some flexibility – redraft as necessary.



Statement Of Entry

5ET1H01	Understanding Prose (H)	Board Timetabled	20/05/2014	08:30	105
EDEXL/GCSE	GCSE/B	5ET2H	English Literature 2		
5ET2H01	Understanding Poetry (H)	Board Timetabled	22/05/2014	13:00	105
EDEXL/GCSE	GCSE/B	5FR01	French 1		
5FR011F	Listening (F)	Board Timetabled	12/05/2014	13:00	25
5FR011H	Listening (H)	Board Timetabled	12/05/2014	13:00	35
EDEXL/GCSE	GCSE/B	5FR02	French 2		
5FR022A	Speaking (Moderated)	Not Timetabled			
5FR022B	Speaking (Unmoderated)	Not Timetabled			
EDEXL/GCSE	GCSE/B	5FR03	French 3		
5FR033F	Reading (F)	Board Timetabled	12/05/2014	13:00	35
5FR033H	Reading (H)	Board Timetabled	12/05/2014	13:00	50
EDEXL/GCSE	GCSE/B	5FR04	French 4		
5FR0401	Writing	Not Timetabled			
EDEXL/GCSE	GCSE/B	5ST02	Statistics 2		
5ST0201	Controlled Assessment	Not Timetabled			
EDEXL/GCSE	GCSE/B	5ST1H	Statistics 1		
5ST1H01	Written Paper (H)	Board Timetabled	23/06/2014	13:00	120
OCR	GCSE/B	A951C	Hist A: Stdy Dvlp Amrcn Wst 1840-1895		
A951/13	Hist A: Stdy Dvp Amrcn Wst 1840-95	Board Timetabled	16/05/2014	08:30	120
OCR	GCSE/B	A952A	Hist A: Hist Invst Dvlp Brtsh Mdcn		
A952/21	Hist A: Invst Dvlp Brtsh Mdcn Wrtn	Board Timetabled	23/05/2014	08:30	90
OCR	GCSE/B	A953B	Hist A: Hist/Mdm Wrld Stdy Pmod		
A953/02	Hist A: Hist/Mdm Wrld Stdy Pmod	Not Timetabled			
OCR	GCSE/FC	J415	History A (Shp)		
OCR	CNAT/1&2	J810	Ict		
OCR	CNAT/1&2	R001	Ict: Undrstndng Cmptr Systmsj		
R001/01	Ict: Undrstnd Cmptr Sys Written	Board Timetabled	14/05/2014	08:30	60
OCR	CNAT/1&2	R002B	Ict: Solutions in Business Pst Mod		
R002/02	Ict: Solutions in Bus Task Pst Mod	Not Timetabled			
OCR	CNAT/1&2	R004B	Ict: Handling Data Databases Pst Mod		
R004/02	Ict: Hndlng Data Databases Tsk	Not Timetabled			
OCR	CNAT/1&2	R008B	Ict: Computer Programming Pst Mod		
R008/02	Ict: Computer Programming Task	Not Timetabled			





2. Short term weekly revision plan



- Weekly plan using Y11 Revision Booklet.
- Complete at least a week in advance.
- Look at the revision checklists/exam spec for each subject.
- Plan the specific topics/units to revise for each subject.
- Vary the subjects each day.
- Include revision sessions at school.
- Plan for recovery time after an exam e.g. evening off.
- Write down planned leisure activities/fun things.



3. Daily plan during study leave



- Good to establish a routine with 3/4 revision sessions.
- Start early.
- Build in down time.
- Identify clear and specific goals for each revision period e.g. “at the end of this two hours, I will be able to label a diagram of the heart and answer a question on how the heart works”
- Structure each hour of revision:
 - i) 40 minutes revising
 - ii) 10 minutes testing
 - iii) 10 minutes resting



3. Daily plan during study leave



- Vary the subjects done on each day to maintain engagement.
- Cover difficult topics in the morning.
- Cover favourite topics in the afternoon and evening.
- Tick off each session and day – satisfaction!
- Give rewards for a successful day/week of revision.
- Provide regular snacks/drinks.
- Do regular check-ins but don't nag.
- Help to review plans as necessary.



3. Daily plan during study leave



Many ways to divide up the day - possible daily plan:

- **8:30-10:15 session 1**
- 10:15-10:30 break
- **10:30-12:15 session 2**
- 12:15-1:15 lunch
- **1:15-3:00 session 3**
- 3:00-5:00 leisure time
- 5:00-6:00 tea
- **6:00-7:00 session 4**
- 7:00-10:00 relaxation time