



## **GCSE Revision Handy Hints!**

### **Help! I don't know where to start?**

It is quite understandable to think you don't know how to revise, but you will find a way that best suits you. I know it is often said, but don't panic! Take a deep breath and read on.....

### **You have to be active in your revision:**

You cannot just read your exercise book, no matter how good it is! Make use of past exam questions that your teacher gives you – answer them and ask your teacher to check them for you.

### **One page per Topic**

Make revision notes – try to stick to one page per topic and stick these around your bedroom. More than one page per topic will be too much for you to remember. These notes should just be key points or words which should trigger off further knowledge in your head. Read these as you move around your room and the information will gradually sink in!

### **Use a revision Timetable**

Start early and you won't need to panic! You have lots of exams to revise for and leaving your revision until the few days before each one will not work. Allocate revision periods to different subjects, remembering they are all as important as each other – no matter whether you enjoy the subject or like the teacher or not! You must also plan your leisure time as it is vital that you take reasonable breaks during your study.

### **Be Prepared**

Have everything you need around you....coloured pencils, post it notes, paper, pens, tissues, water, coke, chewing gum, Haribo..... You then have no excuse to keep getting up which ruins your concentration and wastes revision time.

There is no easy way to revise; it is just down to you and how much effort you want to put in. We can help you for two years before the exams, but on the day it comes down to you – you have to revise! Ask your teacher for hints and tips and there are lots of excellent revision websites which will test your knowledge, try these two.....

- [www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize)
- [www.samlearning.com](http://www.samlearning.com)