



Top Tips for Exams

1. Keep calm and get organised

- Check you know the exam boards for your subjects. Ensure you have a copy of the relevant sections of the specification for each subject to be examined
- RAG rate the sections of the spec – identify clearly what you need to revise

2. Keep calm, I have a plan!

- Gather the loose pieces of paper
- Organise your folder into sections...use dividers!
- Make sure to include all marked work that has feedback...use it!
- Include additional resources...but make sure you use them
- Highlight key points etc. – they are not just there to fill your folder!

3. Organise your folders

- Ok, have you printed specs and RAG rated?
- Produce a basic plan of where you have commitments – lessons/homework/employment – COLOUR CODE.
- Use your RAG rated specs...what will you focus on this week? The more DETAIL, the more likely it will happen
- Once planned, trial it. As you go through the week tick off what you do

4. Chunk and check

- Chunk your work
- Try an exam question (on exam board website)
- Struggling to find questions? Ask your teacher!

5. Keep calm and read

- Textbook, articles, additional sources...
- SQ3R does it work for you?
- Effective reading
- Don't understand something? Use a post-it, make a note, ask your classmates, ask your teacher

6. Keep calm and understand exam terminology

- The most important thing to do when you first open your exam booklet is to read all the questions and try to understand what they are asking of you
- [This glossary](#) contains many of the exam terms most often used in essay titles

7. Keep Motivated

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