



Greenwood
School

Revision Booklet

2026 Exams



2026 Exam Timetable

| Date: | Session | Duration | Board | Subject | Spec | Qualification |
|----------------------------------|---------|--------------|---------|------------------------------|-------|---------------|
| Monday 27 th April | 0900 | Morning | AQA | Art | 8201 | GCSE |
| Tuesday 28 th April | 0900 | Morning | AQA | Art | 8201 | GCSE |
| Wednesday 29 th April | 0900 | Morning | AQA | Art | 8201 | GCSE |
| Thursday 7 th May | 0900 | 1 hr 30 mins | Pearson | Sport | BSP03 | BTEC |
| Tuesday 12 th May | 1315 | 1 hr 15 mins | AQA | Combined Science Biology 1 | 8464 | GCSE |
| Thursday 14 th May | 0900 | 1 hr 30 mins | Pearson | Mathematics Paper 1 | 1MA1 | GCSE |
| Friday 15 th May | 0900 | 2 hrs | AQA | History | 8145 | GCSE |
| Monday 18 th May | 0900 | 1 hr 15 mins | AQA | Combined Science Chemistry 1 | 8464 | GCSE |
| Thursday 21 st May | 0900 | 1 hr 55 mins | Pearson | English Language | 1EN2 | GCSE |
| HALF TERM | | | | | | |
| Tuesday 2 nd June | 0900 | 1 hr 15 mins | AQA | Combined Science Physics 1 | 8464 | GCSE |
| Wednesday 3 rd June | 0900 | 1 hr 30 mins | Pearson | Mathematics Paper 2 | 1MA1 | GCSE |
| Thursday 4 th June | 0900 | 2 hrs | AQA | History | 8145 | GCSE |
| Friday 5 th June | 0900 | 1 hr 55 mins | Pearson | English Language | 1EN2 | GCSE |
| Monday 8 th June | 0900 | 1 hr 15 mins | AQA | Combined Science Biology 2 | 8464 | GCSE |
| Wednesday 10 th June | 0900 | 1 hr 30 mins | Pearson | Mathematics Paper 3 | 1MA1 | GCSE |
| Friday 12 th June | 0900 | 1 hr 15 mins | AQA | Combined Science Chemistry 2 | 8464 | GCSE |
| Monday 15 th June | 0900 | 1 hr 15 mins | AQA | Combined Science Physics 2 | 8464 | GCSE |

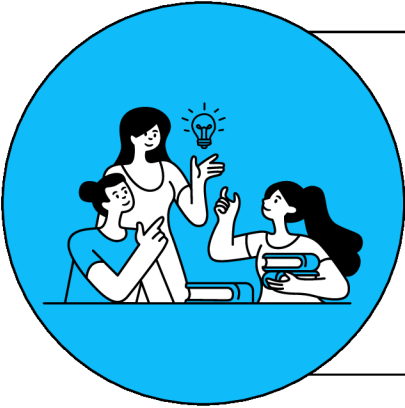
Revision Tips

Revision is all about going over previously learnt information. There are lots of different ways to revise and different strategies work for different people. This booklet will help you think about the best ways you can revise.

Top 10 Tips

- 1 Start revising as soon as possible.**
- 2 Plan your revision using a timetable.**
- 3 Set up a tidy study space.**
- 4 Revisit and repeat topics several times with a gap in between.**
- 5 Vary your revision with different activities.**
- 6 Do lots of practice papers and questions.**
- 7 Set aside time to do fun things and have a break.**
- 8 Keep your phone and other distractions away.**
- 9 Sleep and eat properly.**
- 10 Don't panic!**

How to Revise

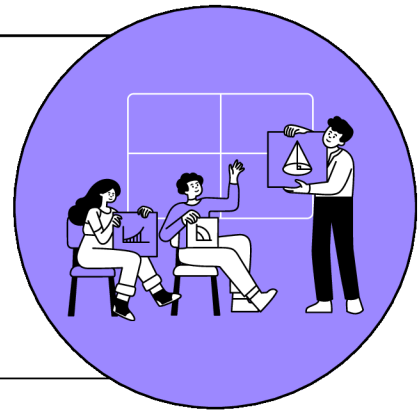


01. SELECT A TOPIC TO FOCUS ON

Use this booklet, decide on a subject - English, Maths or Science and then look at the topic lists. Start with the topics you are least confident in.

02. USE BBC BITESIZE TO LEARN

Work through the information on BBC Bitesize for that topic, use techniques in the next pages to help you remember information.



03. USE YOUTUBE IF YOU'RE STUCK

If the explanations on Bitesize are confusing you, search the topic on Youtube and use trusted channels to watch videos of someone explaining it, each subject in this booklet lists some youtube channels that can help.



04. PRACTICE AND TEST

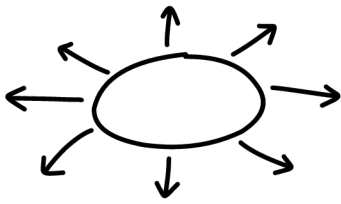
Use past papers or other websites listed under the subjects in this booklet to test your knowledge of that topic.



THEN REPEAT. YOU WON'T REMEMBER SOMETHING BY LEARNING IT ONCE. YOU WILL NEED TO GO OVER IT UNTIL IT IS IN YOUR LONG TERM MEMORY.

Revision Techniques

MINDMAP



- Put topic in the middle
- Add key ideas as branches
- Use colours and keywords only (no long sentences)

FLASHCARDS



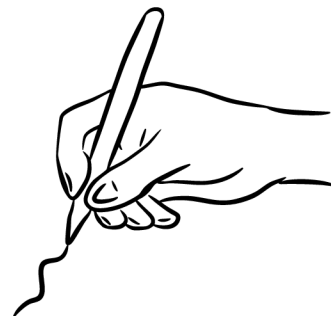
- Front: Question, diagram, formulae, key word etc
- Back: Answer, definition etc
- Keep it short
- Test yourself regularly (don't just read them)

NOTES



- Bullet points only
- One topic per page
- Highlight key words
- Avoid copying textbooks

BLURTING



- Read or revise a topic
- Close book
- Write everything you remember
- Check and fill gaps

Beating Procrastination and Staying Motivated

The Rule of 5

Just do 5 minutes.
Most of the time, you'll keep going.

Remove Distractions

- Phone away (or airplane mode)
- Quiet space
- No TV in background

Use a Timer

- 25 minutes work
- 5 minutes break
- (Repeat 3–4 times)

Set Small Goals

"Revise maths"
"Complete 10 algebra questions"

Reward Yourself

After finishing a session:

- Snack
- Music
- Break

Track Progress

Tick off topics as you go → builds confidence

Remember Why

Passing = more options
Failing = resits



English Revision

Key Topics to Revise

You will be studying
Pearson Edexcel GCSE
in English Language

Core Skills (Needed for BOTH Papers)

Reading Skills

- Retrieve information
- Infer meaning
- Analyse language
- Compare texts

Writing Skills

- Clear paragraphs
- Varied sentences
- Good vocabulary
- Accurate spelling & punctuation

Paper 1: Fiction & Imaginative Writing

Section A: Reading (Fiction)

- Understanding the text (what is happening)
- Inference (reading between the lines)
- Language techniques
 - Simile
 - Metaphor
 - Personification
 - Structure
 - Beginning / middle / end
 - Shifts in focus
- Analysing effects (WHY the writer used it)

Section B: Writing (Imaginative)

- Descriptive writing (describe an image/scene)
- Narrative writing (short story)
- Using:
 - Vocabulary (interesting words)
 - Sentence variety
 - Paragraphs
- SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation, Grammar)



Paper 2: Non-Fiction & Transactional Writing

Section A: Reading (Non-Fiction)

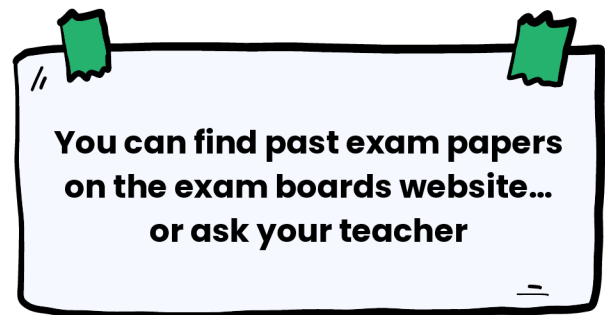
- Understanding non-fiction texts
- Comparing two texts
- Language techniques:
- Persuasive language
- Emotive language
- Fact vs opinion
- Writer's viewpoint and purpose

Section B: Writing (Transactional Writing)

- Writing formats:
- Article
- Letter
- Speech
- Essay
- Writing to:
- Argue
- Persuade
- Inform
- Persuasive techniques:
- Rhetorical questions
- Rule of three
- Emotive language
- Clear structure:
- Introduction
- Main points
- Conclusion



English Revision Tips



Read/do past papers:

- Get used to the types of questions you will be asked
- Practice planning and writing answers in full

The exam involves analysing unseen texts, make sure you:

- Read the text carefully
- Underline the key words as you read the text
- Note the writers view after reading the text

During the exam you need to show the following skills:

- Write critically and clearly
- "Use quotes to back up your points"
- Analyse language, form and structure
- Show you understand how context affects the text

Do some creative writing to prepare for the exam:

- You need to practice writing both fiction and non-fiction texts
- Practice writing for different audiences and purposes, for example:

Write an article for a **newspaper** in which you **explain** your point of view

Write a speech for a debate at your **school** in which you **argue** for or against a statement

- Your writing needs to be interesting, accurate and well organised. This includes using a variety of techniques, such as figurative language and rhetorical devices throughout your writing.
- Get someone to read your writing so you can get feedback

English

Useful Revision Websites

BBC Bitesize

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

Clear explanations of reading & writing skills
Includes quizzes and examples
Good for short, simple revision

Physics & Maths Tutor

<https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/english-revision/gcse-edexcel/>

Notes, model answers, and past papers
Covers Edexcel exam structure clearly

EdPlace

<https://www.edplace.com/gcse-revision/english-language/pearson-edexcel>

Exam-style questions and practice tasks
Matches Pearson Edexcel course

The Lightup Hub

<https://thelightuphub.com>

Exam tips, vocabulary, and model answers
Focus on improving grades quickly

Seneca Learning

<https://senecalearning.com>

Interactive questions + instant feedback

Helps students learn quickly in short bursts

Save My Exams

<https://www.savemyexams.com/gcse/english-language/>

Revision notes + exam questions + mock papers

Written by teachers and examiners

Revision World

<https://revisionworld.com>

Simple notes + past papers
Good for independent revision

Useful YouTube Channels

Mr Bruff YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/@mrbruff>

Explains exam questions + structure
Very clear for Paper 1 & Paper 2

Mr Everything English YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/@MrEverythingEnglish>

Grade 9 answers + writing techniques
Good for improving marks

First Rate Tutors YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/@FirstRateTutors>

Simple breakdowns of skills
Good for struggling students

Mr Salles Teaches English

<https://www.youtube.com/@mrsallesteachesenglish>

High-level explanations + exam technique
Helps push grades 6–9





GCSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

PEARSON EDEXCEL REVISION

USE THESE WEBSITES & YOUTUBE CHANNELS TO HELP YOU SUCCEED!



BEST REVISION WEBSITES

BBC BITESIZE



- Clear explanations of reading & writing skills
- Includes quizzes and examples

bbc.co.uk/bitesize

SENECA LEARNING



- Interactive questions
- Instant feedback
- Helps you learn quickly in short bursts

senecalearning.com

PHYSICS & MATHS TUTOR



- Notes, model answers & past papers
- Covers Edexcel exam structure clearly

physicsandmathstutor.com/english-revision/gcse-edexcel/

SAVE MY EXAMS



- Revision notes
- Exam questions
- Mock papers
- Written by teachers & examiners

savemyexams.com/gcse/english-language/

EDPLACE



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REVISION WORLD



- Simple revision notes
- Past papers
- Good for independent revision

revisionworld.com

THE LIGHTUP HUB



- Exam tips
- Vocabulary support
- Model answers
- Improves grades quickly



thelightuphub.com



BEST WAY TO REVISE ENGLISH LANGUAGE



1. LEARN SKILLS
Use websites like BBC Bitesize or Seneca

2. WATCH EXAMPLES
Watch videos on YouTube to see how to answer

3. PRACTISE QUESTIONS
Use PMT, Save My Exams or EdPlace for practice

4. CHECK & IMPROVE
Check answers and improve your responses



BEST YOUTUBE CHANNELS

MR BRUFF



- Explains exam questions
- Structure for Paper 1 & 2
- Very clear and easy to follow

youtube.com/@mrbruff

MR EVERYTHING ENGLISH



- Grade 9 answers
- Writing techniques
- Helps you improve marks

youtube.com/@MrEverythingEnglish

FIRST RATE TUTORS



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youtube.com/@mrsalleteachesenglish



TOP TIPS



Revise a little every day. Little and often works best!



Practise writing answers under timed conditions.



Learn key vocabulary and techniques.



Believe in yourself and keep going – you've got this!

Maths Revision

Key Topics to Revise

You will be studying
Pearson Edexcel GCSE
in Mathematics

Number:

- ✓ Place value & rounding
- ✓ Integers (positive/negative numbers)
- ✓ Factors, multiples, primes
- ✓ BIDMAS
- ✓ Fractions (4 operations)
- ✓ Decimals & percentages
- ✓ Ratio (basic)

Algebra:

- ✓ Simplifying expressions
- ✓ Expanding single brackets
- ✓ Solving linear equations
- ✓ Simple inequalities
- ✓ Sequences (linear)
- ✓ Straight line graphs (basic)

Probability

- ✓ Probability scale
- ✓ Simple probability
- ✓ Experimental probability
- ✓ Simple tree diagrams

Ratio and Proportion:

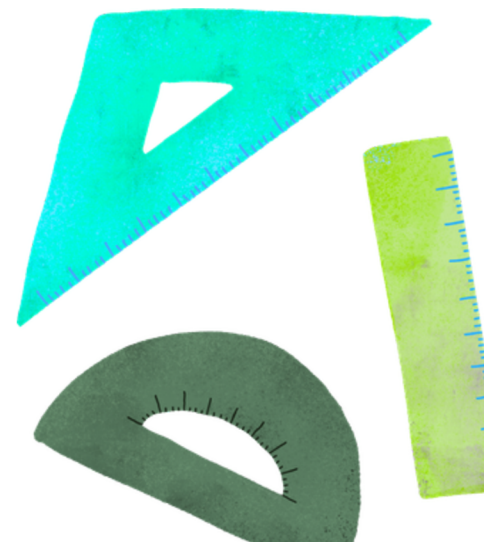
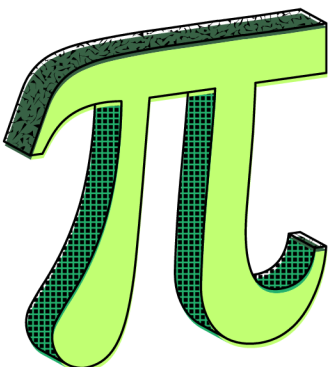
- ✓ Simplifying ratios
- ✓ Sharing in a ratio
- ✓ Scale drawings
- ✓ Speed, distance, time
- ✓ Percentage increase/decrease

Geometry and Measures:

- ✓ Angles (basic rules)
- ✓ Properties of 2D & 3D shapes
- ✓ Perimeter, area, volume
- ✓ Circles (basic)
- ✓ Transformations (reflect, rotate, translate)

Statistics

- ✓ Tables & charts
- ✓ Averages (mean, median, mode)
- ✓ Range
- ✓ Scatter graphs (basic)



Maths Revision Tips

Practice is the Best Revision:

- 1) The best way to revise maths is by doing practice questions.
- 2) Start by practising questions on specific topics once you've revised them.
- 3) Then do practice papers to test a mixture of topics - this will help you identify weak areas

Formulas:

- 1) Flash cards are good for learning formulas.
- 2) Some formulas aren't given in the exam so you need to learn those formulas as part of your revision. Check with your teacher to see which formulas you need to learn.

Calculator:

Practise using the calculator you'll use in your calculator exam(s).



Understand What a Question is Asking:

- 1) Know what each command word wants you to do.
- 2) Use the number of marks as a guide to how much time you should spend on a question.
- 3) Show your working out-marks are given for it.
- 4) Answer in the correct units, or to the correct number of significant figures or decimal places.

Check Your Answer Makes Sense:

- 1) Make sure your answer is sensible - a person can't be 22 m tall.
- 2) Check for silly mistakes - 3×3 is not 6.
- 3) If you've solved an equation, put the answer back into the equation to see if it's correct.
- 4) Expand factorised brackets to check they give you the original expression.



Maths

Useful Revision Websites

Maths Genie

<https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk>
Videos + exam questions + answers
Sorted by grade (1–9)
Includes past papers & mark schemes

Corbettmaths

<https://corbettmaths.com>
Videos + worksheets + daily practice
“5-a-day” questions (very effective)
Builds skills through regular practice

Dr Frost Maths

<https://www.dr frostmaths.com>
Interactive questions + full lessons
Great for independent practice

Physics & Maths Tutor

<https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com>
Topic questions + past papers
Good for exam practice

Seneca Learning

<https://senecalearning.com>
Interactive revision (quick + engaging)
Good for short attention spans

Exam Solutions

<https://www.examsolutions.net>
Step-by-step worked examples
Good for understanding harder topics

Khan Academy

<https://www.khanacademy.org>
Videos + practice questions
Good for basics and catching up

Useful YouTube Channels

Corbettmaths YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/@corbettmaths>
Short, clear videos for every topic

Maths Genie YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/@mathsgenie>
Matches the website (videos by grade)

GCSE Maths Tutor

<https://www.youtube.com/@TheGCSEMathsTutor>
Simple explanations
Good for struggling students

HegartyMaths

<https://www.youtube.com/@HEGARTYMATHS>
Structured lessons + quizzes
Designed to match GCSE curriculum



GCSE Maths Revision – Quick Access (Scan QR Codes)



BBC Bitesize



Maths Genie



Corbettmaths



Dr Frost Maths



Physics & Maths Tutor



Seneca Learning



GCSE Maths Tutor (YouTube)



TLMaths (YouTube)

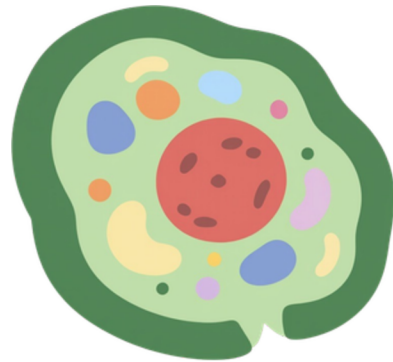
Science Revision

Key Topics to Revise

You will be studying
AQA Science Trilogy

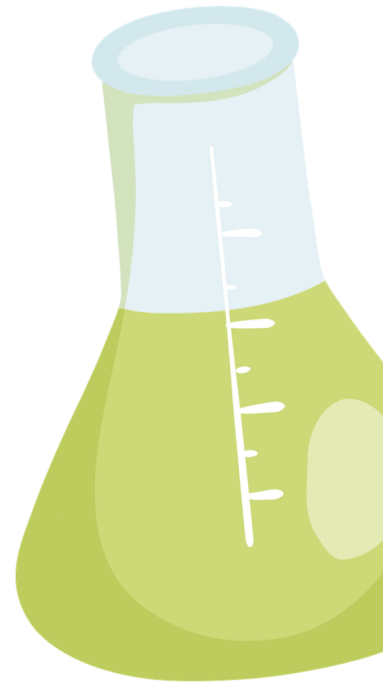
Biology

- Cell biology
- Organisation
- Infection and response
- Bioenergetics
- Homeostasis and response
- Inheritance, variation and evolution
- Ecology



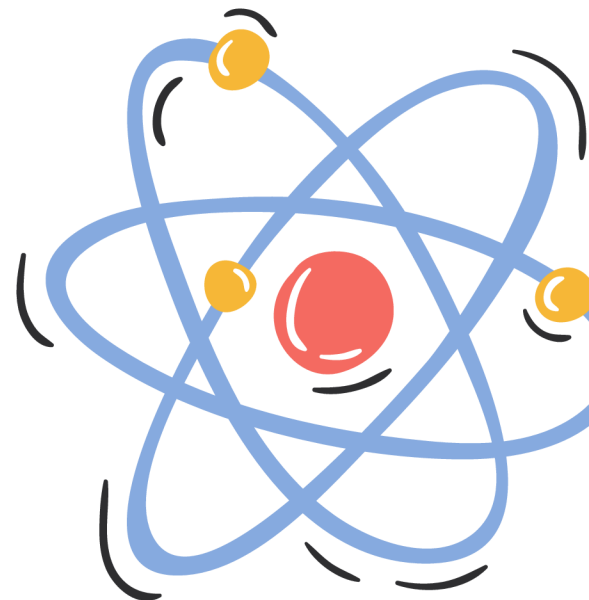
Chemistry

- Atomic structure and the periodic table
- Bonding, structure and the properties of matter
- Quantitative chemistry
- Chemical changes
- Energy changes
- The rate and extent of chemical change
- Organic chemistry
- Chemical analysis
- Chemistry of the atmosphere
- Using resources

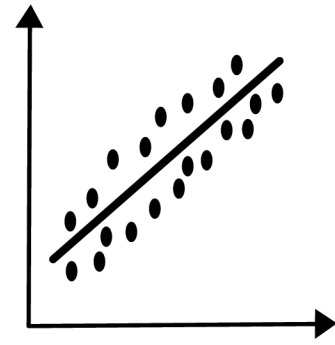


Physics

- Energy
- Electricity
- Particle model of matter
- Atomic structure
- Forces
- Waves
- Magnetism and electromagnetism



Science Revision Tips



Practical Skills

- Set aside time specifically for revising practical-related skills:
- Be familiar with how to record data - e.g. don't include units in the main body of a table.
- Practise drawing graphs, using a ruler and sharp pencil for accuracy.



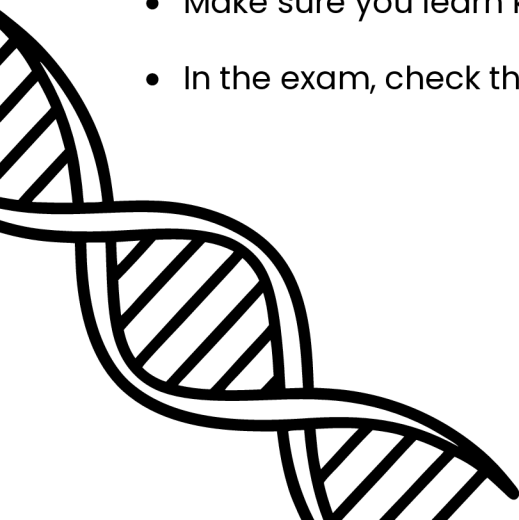
Know Which Formulas You Need to Learn:

- You're only given some formulas in the exam - you need to learn the ones that aren't given.
- Practise using every formula so you can use them all confidently in the exam.

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

Get Key Vocabulary into Your Answers:

- Marks are awarded for using correct terminology.
- Make sure you learn key words and their meaning as part of your revision.
- In the exam, check that you've used relevant scientific terms correctly.



Science

Useful Revision Websites

BBC Bitesize

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

Easy explanations for Biology, Chemistry & Physics

Includes quizzes and summaries

Good for short attention spans

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Past papers + topic questions

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Revision World

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Cognito

<https://cognitoedu.org>

Videos + quizzes + questions

Covers most GCSE science topics

My GCSE Science

<https://www.my-gcse-science.com>

Full topic videos + courses

Covers Biology, Chemistry & Physics

Useful YouTube Channels

Freesciencelessons YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/@freesciencelessons>

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Short, focused videos are highly recommended

Cognito YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/@Cognitoedu>

Clear explanations + visuals

Good for understanding difficult ideas

Primrose Kitten YouTube Channel

https://www.youtube.com/@Primrose_Kitten

Exam tips + full paper walkthroughs

Led by experienced teachers

Science Shorts YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/@ScienceShorts>

Quick revision videos for key topics

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