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# Year 11

# Class of 2027

# Revision and Exam Timetable

**Revision Guidance**

The key to success with revision is to do it in short sessions that take place frequently over a period of time. Revision sessions should be 30-45 minutes in length and focus on one subject at a time. Try to do two or three sessions a day with at least 20 minutes break in between each session. It is essential that rest evenings and rest days are built into any revision schedule to allow students to take time out to rest, socialise and take care of their physical and mental health.

The revision schedule below illustrates what this could look like for a student over a typical week, ensuring all subjects are covered. This revision schedule starts by preparing students for their Pre-Public Examinations in January. It then has a planned break over February half term for students to recover and recharge ahead of their final preparations. These commence 10 weeks before the external GCSE exams start, allowing students time to transfer knowledge from their short-term memory into their long-term memory.

It is important that students plan their revision for all of their exams rather than just looking at the first few. This plan illustrates how revision should start with the later exams and then switch to focusing on the earlier exams at the mid-way point.

Each subject will have key knowledge that students first must learn before they can then apply it to exam questions to deepen their understanding.

Top tip for supporting knowledge recall is to use revision guides and exercise books to read and condense the knowledge by transforming it into another form, such as:

- Flash cards
- Summary maps
- Flow charts
- Poster
- Glossary of key terms

Internet based subject Apps, e.g. Seneca for science, BBC Bitesize, GCSE Pod for Geography and History, Sparx for Maths etc. are also excellent for practicing knowledge recall.

There are lots of useful tips that students learned about in the Exams MADE Easy session, as well as activities to support revision on the KS4 GCSE Support on Microsoft Teams.

Top tip for developing application of knowledge and exam technique:

- First complete a past paper in pencil but use all revision material to help answer the questions.
- Next use the mark scheme to go back over the past paper to mark and then correct any of the answers. This helps students to understand what the examiner is looking for.
- Towards the end of the revision plan, complete past papers in timed conditions without any support from the revision material. This will develop students' exam techniques. Always go back over the past paper to correct any errors using the mark scheme.
- When completing past papers, aim to complete 2024, 2023 and 2022.
- Use completed and corrected past papers as additional revision material and read over as the final preparation the night before the exam.

| English Language | English Literature | Maths |
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| ○ Past Paper 2025 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2025 (2)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (2)<br>○ Past Paper 2023 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2023 (2)<br>○ Past Paper 2022 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2022 (2)<br><br>Revision Activities<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ | A Christmas Carol<br>○ Characters Mindmaps<br>○ Themes Mindmaps<br>○ .<br>○ .<br><br>An Inspector Calls<br>○ Characters Mindmaps<br>○ Themes Mindmaps<br>○ .<br>○ .<br><br>Macbeth<br>○ Characters Mindmaps<br>○ Themes Mindmaps<br>○ .<br>○ .<br><br>Poetry fact card for each poem detailing:<br>○ Context<br>○ Writing structures used<br>○ Key quotes<br>○ Other poems can be linked to<br><br>Other revision activities<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ . | ○ Past Paper 2025 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2025 (2)<br>○ Past Paper 2025 (3)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (2)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (3)<br>○ Past Paper 2023 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2023 (2)<br>○ Past Paper 2023 (3)<br>○ Past Paper 2022 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2022 (2)<br>○ Past Paper 2022 (3)<br><br>○ Maths formula recall sheet |

| Biology | Chemistry | Physics |
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| Create flash cards or mindmaps for each topic using your revision guide. Alternatively complete the Seneca for each topic.<br><br>Paper 1<br>○ Cell Biology<br>○ Organisation<br>○ Infection and Response<br>○ Bioenergetics<br>○ Required Practicals<br><br>Paper 2<br>○ Homeostasis and Response<br>○ Inheritance, variation and evolution<br>○ Ecology<br>○ Required Practicals<br><br>○ Past Paper 2025 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2025 (2)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (2) | Create flash cards or mindmaps for each topic using your revision guide. Alternatively complete the Seneca for each topic.<br><br>Paper 1<br>○ Atomic Structure and the periodic table<br>○ Bonding, structure and the properties of matter<br>○ Quantitative Chemistry<br>○ Chemical Changes<br>○ Energy Changes<br>○ Required Practicals<br><br>Paper 2<br>○ The rate and extent of a chemical change<br>○ Organic Chemistry<br>○ Chemical Analysis<br>○ Chemistry of the Atmosphere<br>○ Using Resources<br>○ Required Practicals<br><br>○ Past Paper 2025 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2025 (2)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (2) | Create flash cards or mindmaps for each topic using your revision guide. Alternatively complete the Seneca for each topic.<br>*(NOTE: - Topic in italics are for Separate Science only)*<br><br>Paper 1<br>○ Energy<br>○ Electricity<br>○ Particle Model of Matter<br>○ Atomic Structure<br>○ Required Practicals<br><br>Paper 2<br>○ Forces<br>○ Waves<br>○ Magnetism and Electromagnetism<br>○ *Space*<br>○ Required Practicals<br><br>○ Past Paper 2025 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2025 (2)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (1)<br>○ Past Paper 2024 (2) |

| Geography | History | French or German |
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| Paper 1 – Living in the UK today<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br><br>Paper 2 – The World Around Us<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br><br>Paper 3 – Geographical Skills<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ . | 20th May 2027 – History Around Us – Quarry Bank Mill<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br><br>28th May 2027 – The People's Health 1250-present and the Elizabethans 158 - 1603<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br><br>9th June 2027 – The Making of America 1789-1900 & Living under Nazi Rule 1933-1945<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br>○ .<br><br>Focussed revision schedule:<br>w/c 22nd February – 16th March – People's Health<br><br>w/c 22nd March – 19th April – Elizabethans<br><br>w/c 26th April – 5th May – USA<br><br>Quarry Bank Mill and Germany Revision will be covered in class revision sessions. | Spoken component<br>Use your speaking booklet to make flashcards on each of the 9 topics and then practise these.<br><br>Reading<br>Language Nut practice or ask your teacher if you can take home your topic booklets.<br><br>Writing<br>Use your speaking booklet, learn key phrases for each of the 9 topics. Practise writing out your verb table.<br>Language Nut translation/photo card practice.<br><br>Listening<br>Language Nut AQA GCSE listening practice tasks. |

| Option Subject 1 | Option Subject 2 | Option Subject 3 |
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◄ October

# November 2026

December ►

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| 2<br>Maths<br>English Literature | 3<br>Biology<br>Option subject | 4<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | 5<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | 6<br>Physics<br>MFL | 7<br>REST DAY | 8<br>REST DAY |
| 9<br>Maths<br>English Literature | 10<br>Biology<br>Option subject | 11<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | 12<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | 13<br>Physics<br>MFL | 14<br>REST DAY | 15<br>REST DAY |
| 16<br>Maths<br>English Literature | 17<br>Biology<br>Option subject | 18<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | 19<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | 20<br>Physics<br>MFL | 21<br>REST DAY | 22<br>REST DAY |
| 23<br>Maths<br>English Literature | 24<br>Biology<br>Option subject | 25<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | 26<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | 27<br>Physics<br>MFL | 28<br>REST DAY | 29<br>REST DAY |
| 30<br>Maths<br>English Literature | | | | | | |

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# December 2026

January ►

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| | **1**<br>Biology<br>Option subject | **2**<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | **3**<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | **4**<br>Physics<br>MFL | **5**<br>REST DAY | **6**<br>REST DAY |
| **7**<br>Maths<br>English Literature | **8**<br>Biology<br>Option subject | **9**<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | **10**<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | **11**<br>Physics<br>MFL | **12**<br>REST DAY | **13**<br>REST DAY |
| **14**<br>Maths<br>English Literature | **15**<br>Biology<br>Option subject | **16**<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | **17**<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | **18**<br>Physics<br>MFL | **19**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **20**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE |
| **21**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **22**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **23**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **24**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **25**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **26**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **27**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE |
| **28**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **29**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **30**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **31**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | (NB Fr/Ge speaking PPEs – January)<br><br>Complete AQA GCSE exam practice tasks on Language Nut. Keep revising vocabulary on Language Nut or from your booklet. From May, you can take home your GCSE exam practice book. | | |

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# January 2027

February ►

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| | | | | **1**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **2**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE | **3**<br>CHRISTMAS BREAK<br>REST & RECHARGE |
| **4**<br>Maths<br>English Literature | **5**<br>Biology<br>Option subject | **6**<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | **7**<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | **8**<br>Physics<br>MFL | **9**<br>REST DAY | **10**<br>REST DAY |
| **11**<br>Maths<br>English Literature | **12**<br>Biology<br>Option subject | **13**<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | **14**<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | **15**<br>Physics<br>MFL | **16**<br>REST DAY | **17**<br>REST DAY |
| **18**<br>Maths<br>English Literature | **19**<br>Biology<br>Option subject | **20**<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | **21**<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | **22**<br>Physics<br>MFL | **23**<br>REST DAY | **24**<br>REST DAY |
| **25**<br>Maths<br>English Literature | **26**<br>Biology<br>Option subject | **27**<br>History or Geography<br>Option subject | **28**<br>Chemistry<br>English Lang | **29**<br>Physics<br>MFL | **30**<br>REST DAY | **31**<br>REST DAY |

◄ January

# February 2027

March ►

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun |
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| **1**<br>PPE Exams | **2**<br>PPE Exams | **3**<br>PPE Exams | **4**<br>PPE Exams | **5**<br>PPE Exams | **6** | **7** |
| **8**<br>PPE Exams | **9**<br>PPE Exams | **10**<br>PPE Exams | **11**<br>PPE Exams | **12**<br>PPE Exams | **13**<br>HALF TERM<br>Rest & Recharge | **14**<br>HALF TERM<br>Rest & Recharge |
| **15**<br>HALF TERM<br>Rest & Recharge | **16**<br>HALF TERM<br>Rest & Recharge | **17**<br>HALF TERM<br>Rest & Recharge | **18**<br>HALF TERM<br>Rest & Recharge | **19**<br>HALF TERM<br>Rest & Recharge | **20**<br>HALF TERM<br>Rest & Recharge | **21**<br>HALF TERM<br>Rest & Recharge |
| **22**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 2 | **23**<br>Biology Paper 2<br>Option subject | **24**<br>History or Geography Paper 2 & 3<br>Option subject | **25**<br>Chemistry Paper 2<br>English Lang | **26**<br>Physics Paper 2<br>MFL | **27** | **28** |

◄ February

# March 2027

April ►

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| **1**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 2 | **2**<br>Biology Paper 2<br>Option subject | **3**<br>History or Geography Paper 2 & 3<br>Option subject | **4**<br>Chemistry Paper 2<br>English Lang | **5**<br>Physics Paper 2<br>MFL | **6**<br>REST DAY | **7**<br>REST DAY |
| **8**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 2 | **9**<br>Biology Paper 2<br>Option subject | **10**<br>History or Geography Paper 2 & 3<br>Option subject | **11**<br>Chemistry Paper 2<br>English Lang | **12**<br>Physics Paper 2<br>MFL | **13**<br>REST DAY | **14**<br>REST DAY |
| **15**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 2 | **16**<br>Biology Paper 2<br>Option subject | **17**<br>History or Geography Paper 2 & 3<br>Option subject | **18**<br>Chemistry Paper 2<br>English Lang | **19**<br>Physics Paper 2<br>MFL | **20**<br>REST DAY | **21**<br>REST DAY |
| **22**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 2 | **23**<br>Biology Paper 2<br>Option subject | **24**<br>History or Geography Paper 2 & 3<br>Option subject | **25**<br>Chemistry Paper 2<br>English Lang | **26**<br>Physics Paper 2<br>MFL | **27**<br>REST DAY | **28**<br>EASTER SUNDAY |
| **29**<br>REST DAY | **30**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 2 | **31**<br>Biology Paper 2<br>Option subject | | | | |

◄ March

# April 2027

May ►

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| | | | **1**<br>History or Geography Paper 2 & 3<br>Option subject<br>Chemistry Paper 2 | **2**<br>English Lang<br>Physics Paper 2<br>MFL | **3**<br>REST DAY | **4**<br>REST DAY |
| **5**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 1<br>Option subject | **6**<br>Biology Paper 1<br>History or Geography Paper 1<br>Option subject | **7**<br>Chemistry Paper 1<br>English Lang<br>Physics Paper 1<br>MFL | **8**<br>REST DAY | **9**<br>REST DAY | **10**<br>REST DAY | **11**<br>REST DAY |
| **12**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 1 | **13**<br>Biology Paper 1<br>Option subject | **14**<br>History or Geography Paper 1<br>Option subject | **15**<br>Chemistry Paper 1<br>English Lang | **16**<br>Physics Paper 1<br>MFL | **17**<br>REST DAY | **18**<br>REST DAY |
| **19**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 1 | **20**<br>Biology Paper 1<br>Option subject | **21**<br>History or Geography Paper 1<br>Option subject | **22**<br>Chemistry Paper 1<br>English Lang | **23**<br>Physics Paper 1<br>MFL | **24**<br>REST DAY | **25**<br>REST DAY |
| **26**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 1 | **27**<br>Biology Paper 1<br>Option subject | **28**<br>History or Geography Paper 1<br>Option subject | **29**<br>Chemistry Paper 1<br>English Lang | **30**<br>Physics Paper 1<br>MFL | | |

◄ April

# May 2027

June ►

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| | | | | | **1**<br>REST DAY | **2**<br>REST DAY |
| **3**<br>Maths<br>English Literature Paper 1 | **4**<br>Biology Paper 1<br>Option subject | **5**<br>History or Geography Paper 1<br>Option subject | **6**<br>Chemistry Paper 1<br>English Lang | **7**<br>Physics Paper 1<br>MFL | **8**<br>REST DAY | **9**<br>Final review ahead of first exams in w/c 10th May |
| **10**<br>AM<br>GCSE Computer Science Paper 1<br>PM<br>GCSE German L & R | **11**<br>AM<br>Biology Paper 1<br>PM<br>Sociology Paper 1 | **12**<br>AM<br>Eng Literature Paper 1<br>PM<br>Business Paper1 | **13**<br>AM<br>GCSE RE Paper 1<br>PM<br>GCSE PE Paper 1 | **14**<br>AM<br>Maths Paper 1 | **15**<br>REST DAY | **16**<br>Final review ahead of first exams in w/c 17th May |
| **17**<br>AM<br>Chemistry Paper 1<br>PM<br>Media Paper 1 | **18**<br>AM<br>Geography Paper 1<br>PM<br>German W<br>Sociology Paper 2 | **19**<br>AM<br>English Literature Paper 2<br>PM<br>Computer Science Paper 2 | **20**<br>AM<br>History Paper 1<br>PM<br>GCSE PE Paper 2 | **21**<br>AM<br>GCSE RE Paper 2<br>PM<br>Business Paper 2<br>E&M R067 | **22**<br>REST DAY | **23**<br>Final review ahead of first exams in w/c 24th May |
| **24**<br>AM<br>English Language Paper 1<br>PM<br>Food & Nutrition | **25**<br>AM<br>Physics Paper 1<br>PM<br>Media Paper 2 | **26**<br>AM<br>French L & R<br>PM<br>Geography Paper 2 | **27**<br>AM<br>Maths Paper 2<br>PM<br>Music | **28**<br>AM<br>History Paper 2 | **29**<br>REST DAY | **30**<br>REST DAY |
| **31**<br>REST DAY | | | | | | |

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# June 2027

July ►

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| | **1**<br>Maths<br><br>English Language<br><br>Option subject | **2**<br>Biology Paper 2<br><br>History or Geography Paper 2 & 3<br><br>Option subject | **3**<br>Chemistry Paper 2<br><br>English Lang<br><br>Physics Paper 2<br><br>MFL | **4**<br>REST DAY | **5**<br>Final review ahead of first exams in w/c 7th June | **6**<br>Final review ahead of first exams in w/c 7th June |
| **7**<br>AM<br>H&SC | **8**<br>AM<br>Eng Language Paper 2<br><br>PM<br>French W | **9**<br>PM<br>History Paper 3 | **10**<br>AM<br>Biology Paper 2<br><br>PM<br>Geography Paper 3 | **11**<br>AM<br>Further Maths Paper 1 | **12**<br>REST DAY | **13**<br>Final review ahead of first exams in w/c 14th June |
| **14**<br>AM<br>Maths Paper 3 | **15**<br>AM<br>Chemistry Paper 2<br><br>PM<br>DT | **16** | **17**<br>AM<br>Further Maths Paper 2 | **18**<br>AM<br>Physics Paper 2 | **19** | **20** |
| **21** | **22** | **23**<br>NATIONAL CONTINGENCY DAY | **24** | **25** | **26** | **27** |
| **28** | **29** | **30** | | | | |