REVISION

PRACTICE

Why?
Where?
When?
How?

Why?

Your brain forgets details of the work you did months ago,   But…

You need these details to answer the questions in the exam, So…

You need to 'top-up', by using the correct revision technique.

Where?

In a quiet room, perhaps a bedroom, warm and well-lit, with a table to work at, ideally, with a table-lamp, to help you to focus on the page, with a clock for timing.

Turn off the computer (unless you need it)

Turn off your phone.

when?

Start NOW. Revision is practice. You need to practise throughout the year if you are going to perform your best.

The continuous revision technique

Start your revision early each evening, before your brain gets tired.
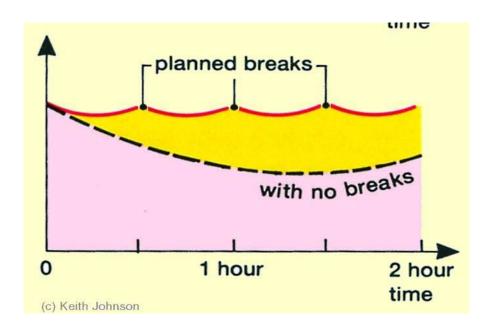
HOW?

The Pomodoro Technique

The Pomodoro technique is a time management technique developed in order to raise productivity. The process is very simple. Work is split into 25 minute blocks (or POMs). Each POM is followed by a 5 minute break.

25 min work >> 5 min break >> 25 min work>> 5 min break >> 25 min work

The skill is in sticking to the time scales and ensuring that you are fully focused for the 25 minutes of each POM. You should be able to remain focused for this time and this results in a greater learning efficiency over time.

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What to do during a Pomodoro

Write your own notes. From what you have - summarise the topic.

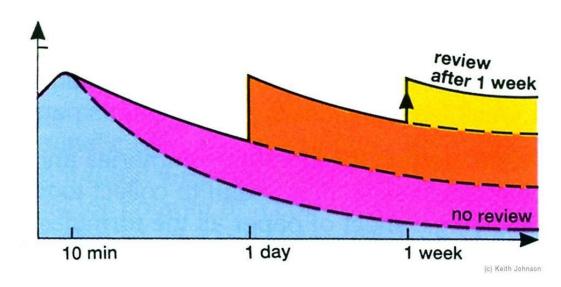When writing notes elaborate on what you are reading - ask lots of **WHY** questions.

Writing notes and highlighting are fine when you begin revising but you should move on quickly to answering questions. These questions could be from revision guides, class work, P&P, set by yourself or be past exam questions.

When you complete exam questions ensure that you answer them in as much detail as possible- use your book or revision guide to help. You can then go over these model answers again.

Revision Plan

We forget things over time. It is therefore important to develop a revision plan to try and ensure that learning is retained.

Ensure that you review work the day after it has been completed (even a quick glance through can make a difference) and that you return to that work approximately one week later.

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Top tips on revision techniques:

- ✓ Be realistic with your timetable

- ✓ Have deadlines and stick to them

- ✓ Use revision notes – make your own

- ✓ **ANSWER QUESTIONS**

- ✓ GET HELP IF IT'S NEEDED

- ✓ DON'T GET STRESSED

- ✓ Lastly… make sure you know all about the exam

"One of the commonest mistakes and one of the costliest is thinking that success is due to some genius, some magic, Something or other which we do not possess. Success is generally due to holding on, and failure to let go. You decide to learn a language, study music, take a course of reading, train yourself physically. Will it be success or failure? It depends upon how much pluck and perseverance that word "decide" contains"

Maltbie Davenport Babcock