

Year 8 January Exams

Revision manifests

- Your exams will take place from Monday 13th January to Thursday 23rd
 January
- Use these manifests and the resources suggested by each subject to prepare for your exams.
- The best revision resource for each subject is your Knowledge Organiser use 'read, cover, write, check' to ensure you can remember all the key words and their definitions.
- Further revision resources are at the bottom of each manifest in a section called 'useful revision resources'.
- Make sure you are prepared for the exams the results will go on your report and will be used to decide your sets for the rest of the year.

Exam timetable:

| | Monday 13 th January | Tuesday 14 th January | Wednesday 15 th January | Thursday 16 th January | Friday 17 th January |
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| 1 | January | English writing- 45 minutes | , | RE- 35 minutes | |
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| 3 | | | | , | |
| 4 | | | | | Geography- 60 |
| 5 | | | | | minutes |
| 6 | | | English reading- 45 minutes | | |
| 7 | | | | | |

| | Monday 20 th January | Tuesday 21 st January | Wednesday 22 nd January | Thursday 23 rd January | Friday 24 th January |
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| 1 | History- 60 minutes | | Science- 60 minutes | | |
| 2 | minutes | MFL (French, | | | |
| 3 | | Spanish or Mandarin) – 75 minutes | | | Inset day |
| 4 | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | |
| 6 | | | | Maths- 60 | |
| 7 | | | | minutes | |



Year 8 English - Reading

| Subject | English- Jane Eyre 45 minutes- extended essay |
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| Topics covered in the assessment | Charlotte Bronte's Jane Eyre |
| Exam technique you will need to use | You will need to demonstrate your inference and analysis skills using the structure that you have been practising in class each week You will need to structure your extended independent analysis in order to ensure that it is developed and shows clear personal understanding of the text You will need to ensure that you are correctly identifying and selecting interesting, relevant and ambitious word choices and a range of linguistic and structural methods used by the writer You will need to explain on your impressions of these choices: what they help the reader understand, prompt connotations of or draw our attention to. Your writing structure: 1. Read the question carefully and complete your initial annotation tasks 2. Once you have carefully chosen your evidence from the extract, consider the rest of the narrative. What other key moments are important? What evidence could you refer to that you have discussed in class? 3. Plan your argument. What will you prove in your essay? Structuring your essay: Paragraph 1: Introduce and clearly explain your argument Paragraph 2- 5: Analyse a range of quotations from across the text to prove your argument. Explain WHAT you NOTICED the writer doing in your chosen moment of the text Explain HOW the writer used METHODS to present this/ Explain your impressions of these methods Explain WHY you think the writer did this. What were they trying to help us understand? |
| Useful revision resources | ✓ Knowledge Organiser ✓ Model examples and 'Best Bits' from your class feedback lessons ✓ Best work booklet ✓ Your copies of the text/Quotation grids and sheets |



Year 8 English - Writing

| Topics covered in the assessment Exam technique you will need to demonstrate your planning skills You will need to ensure that you are using interesting, relevant and ambitious word choices (and spelling these ambitious words correctly!) You will need to ensure that you are using interesting and relevant language methods such as pathetic fallacy, sensory language and imagery to engage your reader You will need to create an interesting character, using purposeful key details to show the reader what type of person they are You will need to build tension and reach a dramatic climax, that interests and excites your reader Your writing structure: Beginning: Establish the setting and emotional mood/atmosphere (describe the weather) Introduce your key character Middle: Developing tension: introduce flashback, obstacles or an enigma Present your climax End: Craft a final moment which leaves your reader feeling a specific emotion (Relief, shock or continued intrigue) V Knowledge Organiser Model examples and 'Best Bits' from your class feedback lessons Y Your reading books- to borrow and 'magpie' creative ideas | Culaia at | Fig. ciliala |
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REVISING INDEPENDENTLY WITH SPARX

STEP ONE: Finding independent learning

When you log in you will see the independent learning feature in the top right hand corner (circled in red below).

You can choose to work on any topic by:

- Typing one of the following in the Search for topics field:
- The name of a topic
- A keyword
- A code given to you in the list below.
- Browsing the content by clicking on one of the main Strands:

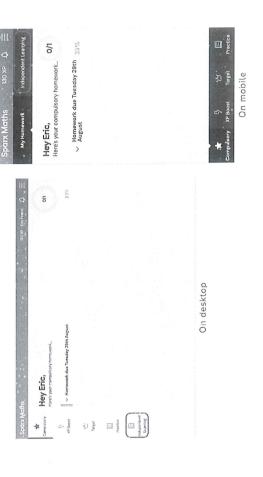
STEP TWO: Choosing the right work

The difficultly level will be in line with that of your normal homework.

You can choose to complete questions that introduce the topic if you don't remember much about it, strengthen the topic if you need a recap or deepen the topic if you are looking to increase your knowledge.

An example of this is shown on the right with the topic of circles.

You will see the difficulty level is set to 5 (in the top right corner) but you can change this if you are finding questions too hard or too difficult.





YEAR 8



MATHEMATICS REVISION LIST

MID-YEAR NON-CALCULATOR ASSESSMENT

| Unit | Topic | Sparx topics – highlight as you complete these clips using the independent learning function |
|------|--------------------------|--|
| 8.01 | Powers and Roots | M135, M608 |
| 8.02 | Prime Factorisation | M322, M823, M108, M365, M227, M698 |
| 8.03 | Rounding | M111, M431, M994, M131, M878 |
| 8.04 | Fractions | M939, M410, M671, M601, M835, M931, M157, M197, M110, M265 |
| 8.05 | Solving equations 1 | M707, M509, M387, M554, M813, M795, M531, M957 |
| 8.06 | Angles in parallel lines | M319, M606, M393, M818 |
| 8.07 | Circumference | M565, M169 |





Science / Year 8 / Assessment January 2024-25

| Subject | Science | | | |
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| Year | 8 | | | |
| Length | 60 minutes | | | |
| Title | Science | | | |
| Success | Biology Knowledge | | | |
| Criteria | Describe and explain the components that make up a balanced diet, describing the consequences of an imbalanced diet. Evaluate how different lifestyles have different energy needs. Describe how and why foods are broken down in the digestive system, using enzymes Describe how food tests can be used to identify nutrients present in different types of food. Describe the trophic levels of a food chain and how biomass is passed up the food chain. Describe the process of photosynthesis and factors affecting rate of photosynthesis Physics Knowledge | | | |
| | Describe how light interacts with different materials (absorption, transmission, refraction and reflection). Describe how we see colours and how colour filters work. | | | |
| | Describe light as a transverse wave transferring energy. | | | |
| | Describe how mass of an object affect the size of gravitational forces. | | | |
| | Calculate the weight of an object on different planets using the equation W =m x g (equation will be given in the exam) | | | |
| | Explain why we experience season and different lengths of daylight hours. Chemistry knowledge | | | |
| | Identify, with reasons, differences between elements, compounds and mixtures. | | | |
| | Use the mass numbers and atomic numbers of the periodic table effectively. | | | |
| | To know the patterns and development of the modern periodic table. | | | |
| | Describe the reactions between group 1 metals and water | | | |
| | Represent chemical reactions as word equations and apply this to the idea of conservation of mass. | | | |
| | Explain how an elements position in the periodic table links to its properties and reactivity. | | | |
| | Knowledge from any year 7 unit may be assessed. | | | |
| Resource | Your exercise books, your knowledge organisers and the self-quizzing function on Educake are | | | |
| required to revise | very useful resources. BBC Bitesize is also a very good resource. | | | |
| | Balanced Diet: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf339j6 | | | |
| | Ecological relationships: | | | |
| | https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zjh4r2p#:~:text=All%20organisms%20in%20an% | | | |
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| | Light and Space: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zw982hv | | | |
| | The Periodic Table: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zstp34 | | | |
| | Group 1 metals: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z3773k7/revision/2 | | | |
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Year 8 Religion and Philosophy

| Length of | 35 minutes |
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| Assessment | |
| Topic | Islamic Beliefs & Islamic Practices |
| Success Criteria | What to expect in the exam/success criteria: X5 multiple choice keyword questions (1 mark) – circle the answer X1 definition question (2 marks) - keyword and example X2 describe questions (5 marks) - write 5 sentences X1 explain question (6 marks) – write 2 detailed paragraphs |
| Topics to | Pre-Islamic Arabia: polytheism, tribes, |
| revise | Beliefs about Allah and the Quran |
| | Night of Power & Night Journey |
| | Prophet Muhammad's final sermon |
| | o The Hijrah and prophet Muhammad reconquers Mecca |
| | Caliphates: Rashidun, Ummayad, Abbasid |
| | o Four Rightly Guided caliphs: Abu Bakr, Umar, Uthman, Ali |
| | o Sunni/Shia split |
| | Afterlife: jannah/Jahannam |
| | Five Pillars of Islam – definitions of each pillar. You do not need to know them in detail. |
| Resources | ✓ Knowledge Organiser – learn the keywords and definitions using |
| required to | the look/cover/write/check method. Ask a friend/family member |
| revise | to test you. |
| | ✓ Class notes – make flashcard from your class notes/draw mind |
| | maps on each topic. ✓ Seneca – quiz yourself using Seneca. Aim for 100%. |
| | ✓ Complete these practice exam questions: |
| | o Define sawm [2 marks] |
| | Describe a the male consists of other [7] recorded |
| | Describe the Islamic caliphates [5 marks] Describe the Night of Power [5 marks] |
| e e | Describe the Night of Fower [3 marks] Explain the importance of the 5 Pillars of Islam [6 marks] |
| * | You can create your own exam questions by using the topic list |
| | above. |
| | o Define |
| 1 | o Describe |
| | o Explain |
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| | Year 8 Revision Checklist January 2025 | | |
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| | History | | |
| Exam length | 60 minutes | | |
| Skills to demonstrate | Section A: Knowledge questions (multiple-choice questions, short answer questions, chronology) Section B: Source questions (source inference, origin, purpose), Interpretations questions (reading and understanding the message of an interpretation, supporting with own knowledge, suggesting a counterargument) Section C: 12 mark question (Introduction, 3 x PEE(E)L paragraphs and conclusion) | | |
| Teacher contact for | Mc O'Pailly Mc Mawhray Mc Wilson Mr Guy | | |

Ms O'Reilly, Ms Mowbray, Ms Wilson, Mr Guy

| Sul | bject Content | Wha | t you need to know | Have you com in your revisio | - | lowing pages |
|-----|---|-----|--|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1. | Henry VIII and the Reformation: | • - | The causes of the Reformation in Europe Corruption Desire for religious change Martin Luther Printing press The reasons Henry wanted a divorce The main reasons Henry VIII split from Rome Desire for an heir Desire for power and money Desire to marry Anne Boleyn | Read through the information summary? | Completed all the quiz questions? | Completed the practice exam questions? |
| 2. | The Tudor Religious Rollercoaster and Elizabethan England | • | Desire to change the religion The religious changes made by Edward VI The religious changes made by Mary I The religious changes made by Elizabeth I Evaluate who made the biggest changes o religion in England What was Tudor life like in Elizabethan England? Catholic plots against Elizabeth | Read through the information summary? | Completed all the quiz questions? | Completed the practice exam questions? |

How else you can revise for extra support?

Exercise books

support

- Knowledge organiser
- Resources on Show my Homework
- BBC Bitesize
- Seneca learning



Year 8 Geography

| Length of | 1 hour |
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| Assessment | |
| Success Criteria | Describing population distribution across an area. Physical factors that influence the distribution of population Explaining why life expectancy increases and birth rates decrease as countries develop (population pyramids and the demographic transition model) Push and pull factors that cause migration Positive and negative impacts of migration on a source country (Poland case study) and host countries (UK case study). |
| Resources required to revise | ✓ Revision guide and tick list ✓ Knowledge Organiser ✓ BBC Bitesize ✓ Seneca revision |



Year 8 MFL – French & Spanish

| Format and length of | 75 min - exam paper (reading, listening and writing) |
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| assessment | |
| Topics | You will be assessed on everything learnt in year 7 and 8, with especial focus on |
| covered in the | units learnt since September. |
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| | My life |
| | Talking about yourself |
| | Giving basic information: age, birthday, physical description, personality |
| | Describing your family and/or friends |
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| | Froe time and daily routine |
| | Free time and daily routine |
| | Talking about your birthday in different tenses. |
| | Talking about what you like to do in your free time (music, TV, sports) |
| | Talking about films you like and dislike and why |
| | Talking about what you do online |
| | Describing how you get ready + clothes and adjectives |
| | Making plans with friends. |
| | Giving excuses for not going out |
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| | TV and movies |
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| | Talk about different films and shows |
| | The verb to watch in present / past and conditional |
| | Opinions on films/ shows using comparative |
| , | |
| | My city |
| | Saying where you live and places in town |
| | What do you in your town |
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| | Photocard |
| | - On the photo there is / they are / I can see |
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| | Grammar |
| | Present tense (regular and irregular verbs) |
| , | Preterit tense (past tense) – regular and irregular verbs |
| | Reflexive verbs in the present |
| | Use of opinion phrases plus infinitive |
| | Adjective and noun agreement (gender and number) |
| | Near future tense – I'm going to plus infinitive |
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| | Using negative sentences |
| | Using sequencers and adverbs correctly |
| | A variety of qualifiers (very, quite, a lot etc) |
| Useful revision | ✓ Knowledge Organiser |
| resources | ✓ BBC Bitesize link here: http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zfckjxs |
| | ✓ Grammar practice: www.languagesonline.org.uk |
| | ✓ SMHW quizzes |
| , | ✓ Revision activity work booklets - provided by your teacher |
| | ✓ Own timelines/mind maps/notes/flash cards which have been produced |
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| | for homework |



Year 8 Chinese

| Assessment | 75 min (Reading + writing + Lisening) | |
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| Topics to be assessed | Book Jinbu 2 Module 1 Holiday | |
| dssessed | Module 2 All about me | |
| Success Criteria | 1. Content and Communication:can say different days | |
| | can say different types of weather | |
| | can describe weather in the past and in the future | |
| | can say diffirent countties and nationalities use 国 and 人 | |
| | • can use 语 to talk about language (Chinese is 汉语 or 中文) | |
| | can talk about different places to go on holiday | |
| | can talk about different activiites for holiday | |
| | can list means of transport | |
| | can describe people's apperence | |
| | can list things in my bedroom | |
| | can say and understand some clothes in Chinese | |
| | ● can talk about daily rountine and time (use 点,分,半) | |
| | 2. Range and Complexity of structures and grammar: | |
| | ■ Can use 和,,,一起 | |
| | Can use 在 for location | |
| | ■ Can use 坐/骑 to talk about the means of transport used | |
| | talk about place, people and transport in the correct word order. can use 怎么 to ask questions | |
| | can use 了 to describe an event in the past time | |
| | use 没有 to talk about the negative form of a completed action | |
| | understand verb-adjectives and the use of 很、不+ adjective | |
| | ■ understand when to use 色, and when to use 的 | |
| | ■ can use adjective/colour + 的 + clothing | |
| | Use the correct word order for time, frequency and an activity | |
| Resources to | ✓ Knowledge Organiser: Module 1+ Module 2 | |
| support revision | √ Your Chinese exercise book | |
| | ✓ Homework sheets and teacher's feedback | |
| | ✓ GoChinese online resources (Use Lessons tab to learn and revise. | |
| | Then, use Exercises tab to practise) | |
| | ✓ A scanned coursebook Jinbu 2 shared on Teams. | |
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