

Year 11 Trial Exam Timetable, Topics and Papers - December 2025

The Year 11 Trial Exams will run between 2nd December - 18th December 2025. These assessments will allow students to demonstrate their ability in their subjects, supported by tailored revision using the information below.

Please see below for details of exam papers in each subject, with topics to be revised. This information is being sent out now in order to help students to prepare as best as possible for these exams. A draft exam timetable is also available and can be found on the website under Student Zone / Exams Information.

When not in exams, students will remain in school and will be revising with their teachers in lessons.

Year 11 is always a stressful time for students. If you are experiencing stress please reach out to your tutor, Mr Brooks or Mrs Ogunlabi. You are not in this alone; we are all here to help.

DATE	GCSE AM SESSION - 8.30 START		GCSE PM SESSION - 12.30PM START
Wednesday 26th November	Art		Art
Thursday 27th November 2025	School Closed		
Friday 28th November 2025			
Monday 1st Dec 2025			
Tuesday 2nd Dec 2025	Art		Art
Wednesday 3rd Dec 2025	MFL (Spanish) P1 + P3 (Listening/Reading) 1h30m		MFL (French/German) P1 + P3 (Listening/Reading) 1h30m
Thursday 4th Dec 2025	English Language P2 1h45m		Geography P1 1h15m
Friday 5th December 2025	RE - YEAR 10 - PAPER 1 1h		History P1 2h

Monday 8th Dec 2025	Science (C&T) Paper 1 Biology (Combined 1h30m/Triple 2h)		Economics P1 1h30m Business P1 1h45m
Tuesday 9th Dec 2025	Maths P1 1h30m		History P2 2h
Wednesday 10th Dec 2025	Media Studies P1& P2 1h30m Psychology P1 1h45m		D&T P1 2h
Thursday 11th Dec 2025	English Literature 1h30m		PE P1 1h45m
Friday 12th Dec 2025	Comp Science P1 1h30m Sports Studies P1 1h15m		Economics P2 1h30m Drama P1
Monday 15th Dec 2025	Science (C&T) Paper 1 Chemistry Combined 1h30m Triple 2h		Food Preparation & Nutrition 1h45m Music P1 1h15m
Tuesday 16th Dec 2025	Maths P2 1h30m		MFL PAPER 2 (WRITING) (1h15m)
Wednesday 17th Dec 2025	Science (C&T) Paper 1 Physics Combined 1h30m Triple 2h		PE P2 1h15m
Thursday 18th Dec 2025	Geography P2 1h15m		Comp Science P2 1h30m
Tuesday 6th January	Photography Room 33 & 100 MMW & PKJ		Photography
Wednesday 7th January	Photography Room 33 & 100 MMW & PKJ		Photography

Subject	Paper name and length	Topics to revise	Useful links / advice
Art	Art exam- 2 days	The theme is “POWER” and they will be creating a final piece demonstrating their ideas and inspiration from an artist. This will be marked for AO4 and complete this coursework project	Take lots of creative photos Practise your ideas Take risks Be original
Business	Paper 1: Investigating a Small Business (1hr 45 mins)	Paper 1: Investigating a Small Business 1.1 Enterprise and Entrepreneurship 1.2 Spotting a business opportunity 1.3 Putting a business idea into practice 1.4 Making the business effective 1.5 Understanding external influences on business	Paper 1 is based on topics studied in Year 10 Exam preparation: → Use the PLCs to ensure you have notes on all the topics → Use your Electronic workbooks → Revise class notes (both in exercise books and on Google Classroom) → Complete SENECA & Educake Revision tasks → You must be familiar with the different types of questions asked → Complete past exam papers → Practise your 3, 6, 9 and 12 mark response structure → Study your formulas <u>Business Exam Techniques</u> <u>Edexcel GCSE Business Assessment Support website</u>
Computer Science	Paper 1 - Computer systems (1 hour 30 mins)	<u>Paper 1</u> 1.1 Systems architecture 1.2 Memory and storage 1.3 Computer networks, connections and protocols 1.4 Network security 1.5 Systems software 1.6 Ethical, legal, cultural and environmental	Use specification for content clarification: https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/558027-specification-gcse-computer-science-j277.pdf Practice papers: https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse/computer-science-j277-from-2020/assessment/

	Paper 2 - : Computational thinking, algorithms and programming (1 hour 30 mins)	impacts of digital technology <u>Paper 2</u> 2.1 Algorithms 2.2 Programming fundamentals 2.3 Producing robust programs 2.4 Boolean logic 2.5 Programming languages and Integrated Development Environments	Use google classroom for access to worksheets and model answers along with other resources Use CGP revision guide and workbook regularly and use RAG sheets.
Design & Technology	AQA Design & Technology 8552 [2 Hours]	1. Production methods P124-126 2. Sustainability P7,165,131,182,202,150 3. Composite Materials - P55-59 4. Smart & Modern materials - P43-54 5. Understanding Needs & Wants P5,6,13,14,26. 6. MATERIALS & their PROPERTIES P79-94 [C16-C18] 7. Stock forms/Components P166,133,185,204,151 8. General Maths - %, Ratios, Cost Calculations, 9. Product Enhancements and Justification for changes on products. 10. Product Aids P125, 279 11. Anthropometrics & Ergonomics P239,240	GCRoom, Textbooks and suggested Technology websites such as BBC Bitesize GCSE Design and Technology - AQA - BBC Bitesize to help you with this revision process. Just remember that while doing your NEA you were also learning the theory.

		12. 3rd Angle Orthographic Projection Drawing and the symbols. 13. Surface treatments – C50 284-286 14. Ecological issues – P112-118 15. Design fixation P256 16. Tolerance P222+P161	
Drama	Component 1 Written Exam	A. Job Roles & Responsibilities Theatre Stage Map/Positions Types of Stage B. Answer Questions regarding Set Text - Blood Brothers, How to design a costume, lighting, sound, set/props. How to perform as a character - intended impact of this C. Theatre Review - evaluation of the performance of others	• BBC Bitesize • Retrieval Booklet • Blood Brothers text with annotations • Exercise Book notes! • One Man Two Guvnors Notes • Rewatch One Man 2 Guvnors
Economics	Paper 1 Introduction to Economics (1 hour 30)	• Economic problem, Opportunity costs, factors of production • Demand and Supply • Production Costs and Revenues • Competition • Labour Market • Specialisation & Sustainability • Elasticity	→ Use the PLCs to ensure you have notes on all the topics → Revise class notes (both in exercise books and on Google Classroom) → Complete Online Revision tasks → Become familiar with the different types of questions asked → Complete past exam papers

	Paper 2 National and International Economics (1 hour 30)	• Financial Sector • Unemployment • Inflation/price stability • Economic policies - Monetary, fiscal, supply side • Economic growth • International trade	→ Practise your 6 mark response structure - Analyse vs Evaluate → Study your formulas Links to Past Papers Link to the specification
English Language	English Language Paper Two (1 hour 45 mins)	Non-fiction reading and writing	Seeing as this paper is based on nonfiction texts, watch/ read the news to stay on top of current events. This will be useful for the writing section of the exam. Use the AQA Booklet to help you identify strategies to answer each question effectively. The exemplar answers in this booklet will also help you develop a success approach to each question. Locate your English Language notes book and review notes from Year 10. Use the practice papers we have completed together as a walking talking mock in class, as well as the guidance booklet to help you work through practice papers that will be available on the English Language Google Classroom. Make use of the mini-mocks that have been provided as part of your ongoing home learning revision schedule.

			Focus on the questions in which you scored the lowest in your Spring and Summer Term in-class assessments for both papers. Also focus on the Autumn Term nonfiction writing assessment undertaken recently. Prioritise the questions you need to gain the most marks for. Mr Bruff makes excellent revision videos on his YouTube channel.
English Literature	A paper comprising of 2 sections from English Literature Paper Two: <i>Poetry and Modern Drama</i> (Total time 1 hour 30 minutes)	• Power and Conflict poetry anthology • 'An Inspector Calls'	Locate your blue books for each topic and look back over your notes from Years 9 and 10. Make use of the topic based Google Classrooms (Power and Conflict and 'An Inspector Calls') that have been made available to you for your revision. Use the revision materials, such as flash cards, you have been making each week as part of your revision schedule home learning. Learn key quotations for each text. Use the in-class assessments from the Autumn Term of Year 11 to help you focus on the Assessment Objectives that you need to develop as a priority. Use Massolit to develop your understanding of the texts, especially if you are aiming for Level 5 or 6. Mr Bruff makes excellent revision videos on his YouTube channel.

Food Preparation & Nutrition	AQA Food Preparation & Nutrition (1hr 45mins)	Section A is 20 multiple choice questions. Section B includes questions relating to... • Protein alternatives • Lactose intolerance • Pastry making • Yoghurt making • Additives • Bread making • Dextrinisation • Caramelisation • Functions of flour, butter and sugar • Raising agents • How to maintain a balanced diet • High risk foods • Food poisoning • Food waste	Base your revision predominately on the `Trial/Mock Exam preparation Tasks` set weekly, from 6th October on google classroom. These tasks are part of an electronic document that you each have a copy of.
Geography	Paper 1: Our Natural World (1 hr 15) Paper 2: People & Society (1 hr 15)	Paper 1: • Global Hazards • Changing Climate • Sustaining Ecosystems • Distinctive Landscapes Paper 2: • Dynamic Development • UK 21st Century • Urban Futures • Resource Reliance	Use Google Classroom - all lessons have been posted to support retrieval. Alongside the use of uploaded revision materials, such as knowledge organisers and links to BBC bitesize. Use the OCR b Specification and topic cover sheets as a revision guide, as all lessons follow the specification requirements. This will ensure you do not miss anything as you will have a step by step guide of what to revise. A digital copy will be on the Google Classroom. OCR b revision guides can be purchased online if required. Remember exam technique tips such as PEEEL Paragraphs, TEA for graphs and BUG for question

			understanding.
History	Paper 1: Germany & Conflict & Tension (2 hours) Paper 2: Power & the People & Restoration (2 hours)	Paper 1: specification Paper 2: specification	Use the exam technique in your revision book to prepare for the exam. Reflect on the specification to revise the content required for the exam.
Maths	Paper 1 - non calculator (1hr 30 mins) Paper 2 - calculator (1hr 30 mins)	All topics taught up until December can be assessed as they all link and are interwoven together.	Equipment required: SCIENTIFIC CALCULATOR (for paper 2), pen, pencil, ruler, protractor, compass Revision resources: - Just maths - M4ths revision booklet - CGP books - Corbett maths - Available past papers from AQA website - Dr Frost maths - Maths Genie - Maths Bot
Media Studies	Combining Paper 1 and 2 Exploring the Media (1 hr 30 mins)	Exploring the Media <u>Section A</u> (Media Language/Representation/Contexts): • Luther - Media Language • Sweeney - Contexts <u>Section B</u> (Industry/Audience): • No Time To Die and the film industry • Fortnite and audiences	Use all of the guidance and materials given by the teacher in class & on Google Classroom. Mrs Fisher's Youtube channel for revision support Mrs Fisher - YouTube Luther factsheet:  Luther Factsheet 1 - Language + Representati... The Sweeney factsheet: https://resource.download.wjec.co.uk/vtc/2020-21/Media%20Studies/Eduqas%20Component%202/The%20Sweeney%20Factsheet%202%20-%20Industry%20

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MFL	Paper 1 Listening 35 mins Foundation, 45 mins Higher Paper 3 Reading 45 mins Foundation, Higher 1 hour Paper 2 Speaking one-to-one by appointment: 15 minutes prep time + 12-15 minutes exam Paper 4 Writing 1 hour 10 Foundation, 1 hour 15 minutes Higher	Listening Paper 1 and Reading 3: Identity and relationships with others /Healthy living and lifestyle/Education and work /Free-time activities / Customs, festivals and celebrations / Celebrity culture / Travel and tourism, including places of interest / Media and technology / The environment and where people live Speaking Paper 2 Writing Paper 4: Identity and relationships with others /Healthy living and lifestyle/Education and work /Free-time activities / Customs, festivals and celebrations / Celebrity culture / Travel and tourism, including places of interest <i>(Only the content we have seen in</i>	EXAM PREPARATION - CGP NEW GCSE complete revision guide which covers all units and has practice questions on all topics - CGP AQA Exam Practice workbook - Practice practice practice! Create Flashcards or mind maps - vocabulary for each unit / tenses / verb endings and get someone at home to test you. - MEMORISE YOUR TENSES/VERB CONJUGATIONS (Especially the common tenses e.g.: present, near future tense, French and German perfect and imperfect

		Year 10 up until now).	tenses and Spanish preterite past tense) - Use the language gym for vocabulary/grammar and translation practice - Class notes; - Sentence builders and knowledge organisers. - Use your knowledge organiser for key vocabulary for each theme/unit - Use Quizlet/Kahoot/Blooket for vocabulary/translation practice - Seneca/Netflix shows or films/ Radio/ Podcasts - Authentic listening - <u>Speaking</u>: Practise speaking out loud and revise your general conversation question answers
Music	Paper: 1hr 15	• 2 set works (Africa and Bach) • 6 Unfamiliar Listening Questions (Music for Ensembles, Pop Music, Film Music, Musical Devices and Forms) • Musical Dictation	All notes and revision videos will be uploaded onto the General Music GCSE classroom
PE	Paper 1: 1hr 45min	<u>Paper 1: Fitness and Body Systems</u> • The structure and functions of the musculoskeletal system • The structure and functions of the cardiorespiratory system • Anaerobic and aerobic exercise • The relationship between health and fitness and the role that exercise plays in both • The components of fitness, benefits for	• Use your revision workbooks and revision guides provided. • Use Everlearner website for practice papers and model answers: https://pages.theeverlearner.com/2022-edexcel-gcse-pe-revision

	Paper 2: 1hr 15min	sport and how fitness is measured and improved • The principles of training and their application to personal exercise/ training programmes • How to optimise training and prevent injury. • Effective use of warm up and cool down • The short- and long-term effects of exercise <u>Paper 2: Health and Performance</u> • Physical, emotional and social health, fitness and wellbeing • The consequences of a sedentary lifestyle • Energy use, diet, nutrition and hydration • Classification of skills (basic/ complex, open/closed) • The use of goal setting and SMART targets to improve and/or optimise performance • Guidance and feedback on performance • Mental preparation for performance	• Complete exam papers and questions • Use Google Classroom to revisit previous lessons.
Photography	Photography exam 2 days. Component One 60% GCSE	Students are working on creative and advanced edits from their photoshoots. Each student is working on individual projects. They will be completing their body of work showing a project with clear progression, development, and refinement that's been influenced by outside artists.	Use Photoshop or physical means to successfully edit your images. Provide a series out of your work. Make sure each set has been completed with subject-specific terminology. Templates and resources have been used. Previous projects have been completed.

RE (Yr10 SC)	Paper 1 - One hour	Christian Beliefs and Relationships and Family	Revision clocks on all for both topics Revision guides. Practice questions and revision material will be uploaded to Google classroom
Sport Studies	Paper 1 - 1hr 15 mins	Topic 1: Issues which affect participation in sport • User Groups • Barriers • Solutions • Factors which impact popularity of a sport • Emerging Sports Topic 2: The role of sport in promoting values • Sporting Values (INFECTT) • Olympic Creed • Olympic and Paralympic Values (REF DICE) • Initiatives and Campaigns • Etiquette and Sporting Behaviour • Performance Enhancing Drugs Topic 3: The implications of hosting a major sporting event for a city or country • Features of Sporting Events (One off, Regular, Regular Reoccurring) • Positives • Negatives Topic 4: The role National Governing Bodies (NGBs) play in the development of their sport	Revision Cards Exam Questions Revision Booklet to be given out nearer the time.

		• Examples of NGB's • Roles that they do Topic 5: The use of technology in sport • The role of technology	
Science Combined	Paper 1 Biology Paper 2 Chemistry Paper 3 Physics All papers are 1H 30	• Cells • Transport in cells, Animals and Plants • Non-Communicable disease • Infectious Disease • Bioenergetics (Photosynthesis and Respiration) • Biological Response (Nerves and Hormones) • Ecology • Reproduction • Humans and the Environment • Atomic structure and the Periodic table • Bonding • Quantitative Chemistry • Chemical Changes • Hydrocarbons • Sustainable development • Chemical Analysis • Energetics • Rates • Energy • Electricity • Particle model of matter • Atomic structure and Radiation • Forces	Revision resources are available from: • Freesciencelesson man • Malmsbury science Playlists will be issued for these two online resources • SENECA learning • BBC bitesize Revision guides are also available if you have not already purchased them from science (Info will go out when available on SQUID)

Psychology	Paper 1 - 1hr 45	• Perception • Memory • Development • Research Methods	- Use your revision summaries and booklets from in class. - When practising past papers, use the mark schemes to help you understand what the examiner wants - all past papers and MS on google classroom
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