

### **BUILDING GOOD REVISION HABITS**

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Habits of students: Discuss

Is this a good habit, a bad habit, or a neutral habit?

Discuss additional habits - even from working life that can be categorised in this way

I check my phone when I wake up

I take breaks during revision

I copy notes from my classwork

I condense notes

I delay deadlines

I compare myself to others

I keep lists

I bite my nails

I go to bed late

I ask questions when I don't understand something

I spend a lot of time on my revision

# Lesson #1











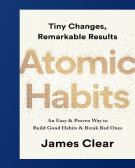
Why Habits Matter



#### SHAPING SOMEONE ELSE'S HABITS

### The 4 laws of behaviour change:

- Make it <u>obvious:</u> 'Habit stacking' After (current habit) I will (new habit) eg. After walking in from school, I will take my homework out of my bag
- 2. Make it <u>attractive</u>: It helps if the group they are in are behaving in the desired manor we like to imitate. Give choice freedom and autonomy = control
- Make it as <u>easy</u> as possible to do things that pay off in the long run set up the homework environment - quiet place with equipment, free from distractions, help them with language needed for when dealing with peer pressure
- 4. Make it <u>satisfying</u> or enjoyable 'praise the good, ignore the bad'. Use a habit tracker.

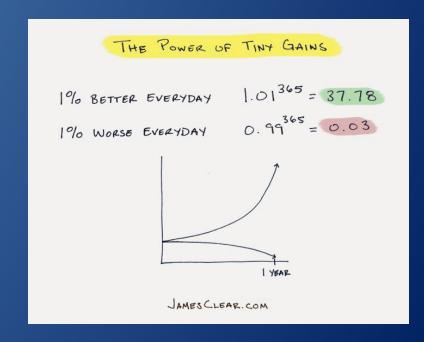


#### START SMALL

Research shows that willpower is like a muscle. It gets fatigued as you use it throughout the day.

Solve this problem by encouraging a new habit that is easy enough that you don't need motivation to do it.

One percent improvements add up surprisingly fast.





#### ITS OK TO FAIL....OCCASIONALLY

Research has shown that missing your habit once, has no measurable impact on your long-term progress. Top performers make mistakes, commit errors, and get off track just like everyone else. The difference is that they get back *on track* as quickly as possible. Rather than trying to be perfect, abandon your all-or-nothing mentality.





### What is Revision?

- Studying previously covered content in preparation for an exam
- Retrieval of information from your long term memory to secure subject knowledge
- The familiarization with the structure and expectations of the exam question and mark schemes
- The practice and development of key skills
- The combination of subject knowledge and exam skills to result in success



## Striving for Excellence

#### Before even starting to think about revision:

#### **Mindset**

- 1) Sleep routines
- 2) Diet and Exercise
- Motivation and Long term goals



#### **Work Environment**

- 1) Distractions
- 2) Work space
- 3) Study- Life balance



#### **Organisation and Planning**

- 1) Making a revision timetable
- 2) Revision methods
- 3) Set small achievable goals

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	9AM - 11AM	10AM - 12PM					
	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REST!
	SUBJECT 1						
REAK!	11:15AM -	12:45AM -					
	1:15 PM	1:15 PM	1:15 PM	1:15PM	1:15 PM	2:45PM	
	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REST!
	SUBJECT 2						
BREAK!							
	2PM - 4PM	3PM - 5PM					
	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REST!
	SUBJECT 3						
BREAK!							
	4:15PM -						
	6:15PM	6:15PM	6:15PM	6:15PM	6:15PM	GO HAVE	REST!
	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	REVISE	FUN	

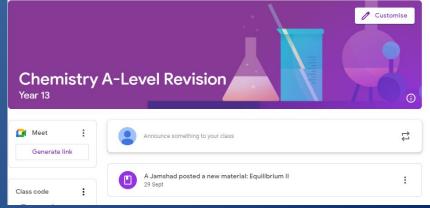


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# Revision Strategies to develop into habits: knowing how to revise

- Use the specification: The spec / PLC sheets can be looked over and these can be used to identify areas to focus on. Make a timetable planning out when to revise these and to what extent
- Start on the day: read over content covered in lessons and making sure it's been understood on the day. If it hasn't going to see your teachers and asking for help is are really useful as a starting point.







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#### 3) Using Resources:

Online resources (Seneca/ bitesize/ Kerboodle/ ttsreader/ SparxMaths/ MyMaths)

Textbooks (Collins/ CGP revision guides/ Cliffsnotes)

YouTube (free science lessons)

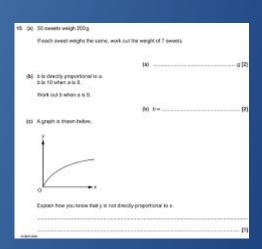
Websites to test learning (Seneca, Kerboodle, Linguascope, The Language Gym)

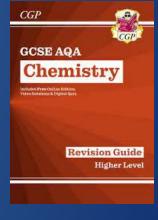
Past papers and exam questions (save my exams/ physics and maths tutor)

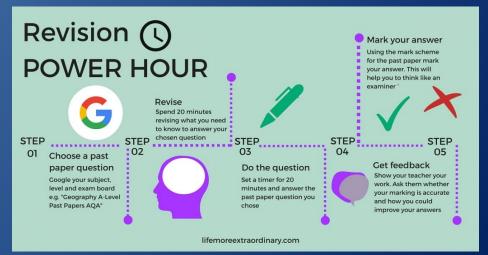
#### 4) Repetition and Practice

Make sure topics have been understood fully, practice (make notes/ flashcards/ blurting), test yourself (PPQ's) and then review your work (mark schemes and self assess).

5) Further support









#### REFLECT

- -What good revision habits does your child have?
- What bad habits do they have?
- What better habits would you like them to start?





#### **BE PATIENT**

Be positive.
Be patient.
Be persistent.

Learning to be patient is perhaps the most critical skill of all. You can make incredible progress if you are consistent and patient.

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### Analysing our habits

It's important for our students as they get older and develop their self awareness to understand their habits. These habits can then be identified as strengths and weaknesses and used to their advantage to help them succeed. Strengths can be built on and weaknesses can be identified and worked on to help improve them.

Strengths - Being organised	<ul><li>Weaknesses</li><li>Leaving things until the last minute</li></ul>
Opportunities - Advice and support	Threats - Unexpected tasks could mean things don't



### **FURTHER ADVICE**

