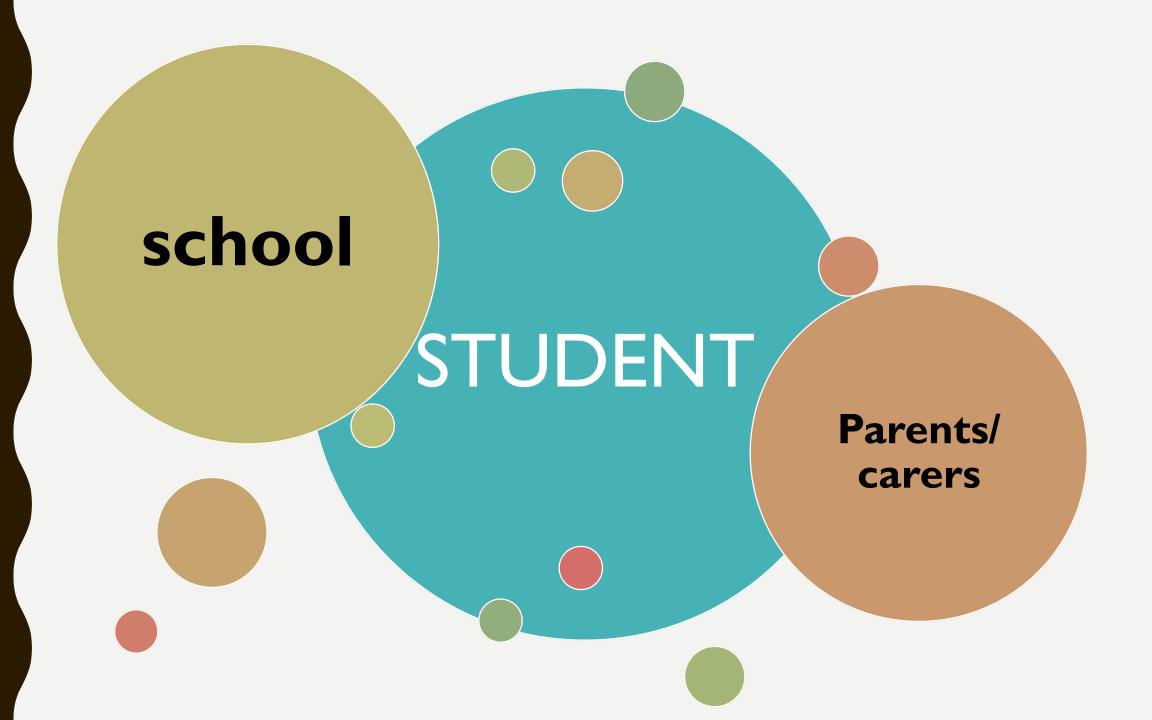
# **REVISION SKILLS 8** EXAM PREP YEAR 10



# WHAT IS MY ROLE AS A PARENT/CARER?









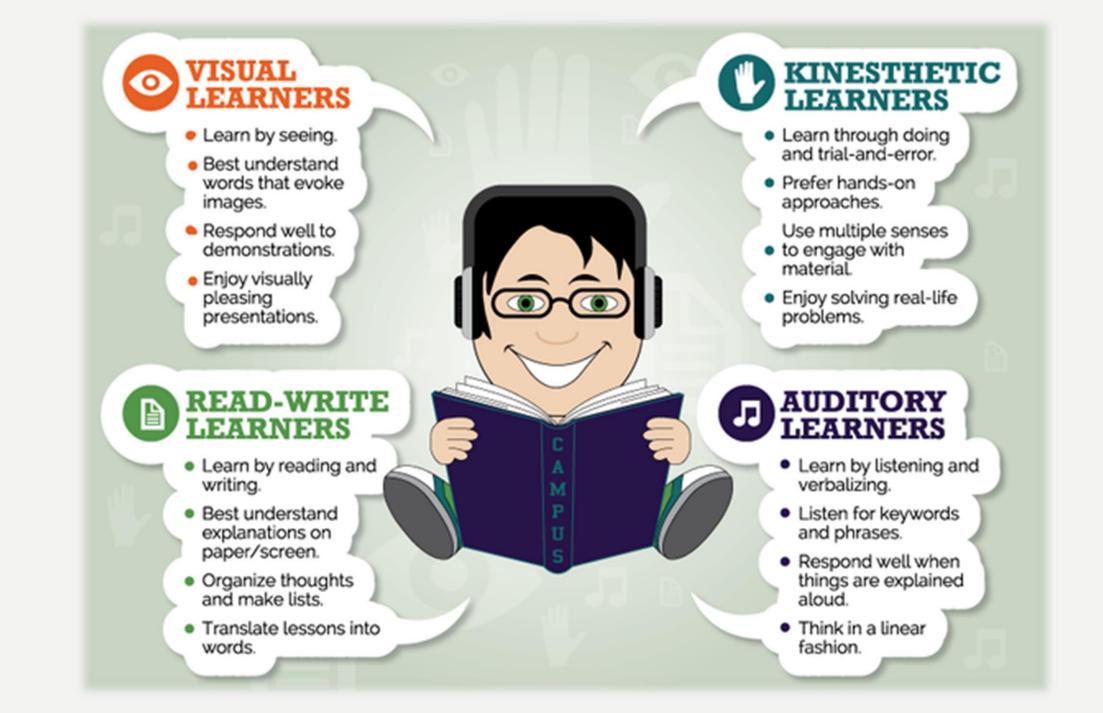




### HOW TO REVISE - TIPS AND TECHNIQUES TO MAKE REVISION EASIER

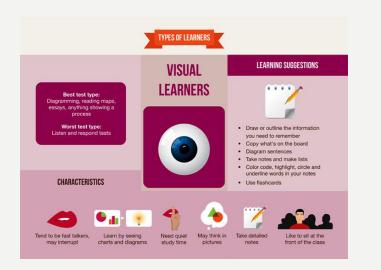
- Step I Start by creating a revision timetable
- Step 2 Make your notes manageable
- Step 3 It is vital that you READ
- Step 4 Form an argument and have an opinion
- Step 5 Write don't type
- Step 6 Time is of the essence
- Step 7 Know your learning Style (see link in notes)





### • Visual Learners

- Learn best by remembering information in fun and interesting ways
- Very creative / artistic
- Revise best by using mind maps, post it notes and highlighters!
- **TIP:** Organise your notes by using different colours to represent different themes or topics.





Visual Learner



## **Visual Learners**

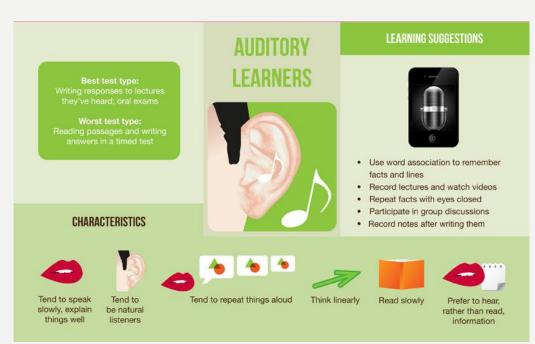
- Prefer to see how to do things
- 29% of us prefer to learn by storing images in our brains.

#### **Possible revision techniques:**

- use pictures, mind maps, computers, diagrams, flowcharts, key words, posters, timelines
- Videos
- Mind maps.
- use colour and highlighters to help the brain remember.
- write information in bullet points or as key words on "post-its" (they come in different colours).
- Careful layout of notes

### Auditory Learners

- Learn best by hearing information over and over again
- Revise best by talking out loud to yourselves or having to explain topics to friends or parents
- **TIP:** If you're feeling rather creative you could make up songs, rhymes or raps to remember certain topics or themes!









# **Auditory Learners**

- Learn by listening and speaking
- 34% of us prefer to learn by storing sounds in our brains.

### **Possible revision techniques**

- Talk over the work with someone else
- Record notes (use your phone) and play them back
- Listen to music while revising no words
- Repeat their work out loud in funny voices.
- Make up rhymes or raps about work.
- Get someone to ask you questions about the work.

### Kinesthetic Learners

- Learn best by taking a "hands on" approach to revision
- Very interactive / outgoing
- Revise best by re-writing notes and making visual aids throughout revision
- **TIP:** Kinesthetic learners often find that playing sport and exercise during revision stimulates their learning!









# **Kinaesthetic Learners**

- Learn by doing
- 37% of us prefer to learn by movement or touch.

#### **Possible revision techniques**

- Key word cards
- put their notes on cards or "post-its" and sequence them (perhaps rank the cards in order of importance or make into sentences).
- walk between notes or "post-its" that are on the floor or on the walls.
- walk around while reading.
- stand up stretch or exercise at least every 20 minutes.
- draw pictures, mind maps run a finger between the words on the map, say each one out loud.
- squeeze a sponge or stress release ball while working.

# MOST PEOPLE PRACTICE THE WRONG TASKS...



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- **1. Test, don't recognise** rather than just reading through notes, test your self on them, for example, make note cards with questions on one side and answers on the other
- 2. **Space, don't cram** spacing your practice out doesn't feel as satisfying, as doing a full 5-6 hours but it results in memories that are more likely to be useful when exam day comes around
- **3. Effort, not flow** when you're revising, you have to focus on the things you know least well, not the things you know best... revision shouldn't be for reassuring yourself about what you know, it needs to be the deliberate effort to identify what you don't
- **4. Practice output, not input** any effective study plan needs to include answering questions with the information you've revised, but often we're tempted to leave that out in favour of focusing on learning the information in the first place

# **REST AND SLEEP**

- New research shows that a brief rest after learning something can help you remember it a week later. Other experiments have shown that a full night's sleep helps you learn new skills or retain information.
- Even napping can help consolidate your memories, and maybe even make you more creative. This is great news for those of us who like to nap during the day, and is a signal to all of us that staying up all night to revise probably isn't a good idea.









- WATCH ONLINE VIDEOS: There are lots of videos out there to help you with things that you don't understand, for example, <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zFENz\_nnrq8</u>
- **GET ARTY:** Making posters or drawing spider diagrams with lots of colourful pens not only is great fun but has been proved to make you more effective in your revision.
- **WATCH FILMS:** Watching the film of the book you're studying can be a great way of understanding it better and getting a better picture of what's going on, but remember that this can **never** be a substitute for reading the text!
- **GET RECORDING:** Listening to your voice back on tape is actually a great way to go through your notes without just writing them out time and time again.



### and you shouldn't study for an exam by never testing yourself on writing full answers in exam conditions...

### You wouldn't practice for a tennis match by never playing tennis...



# **PAST EXAM PAPERS**





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# **REVISION MATERIALS**











# Collins IT'S ALL IN THE PLANNING!

When creating revision timetables, rather than trying to revise all your subjects every week, focus on revising half of the subjects you're taking in one week and the other half the following week, etc.

A revision timetable tells you what you need to revise each day and puts you in control of your revision. Don't worry if at any point you get behind. By working towards revising all topics by your first exam, you can catch up between exams.

#### **CREATE YOUR REVISION PLAN**

- 1. Write the name of the subjects you are revising along the top. Make a note of which week your planner is for and create a new planner for each week of your revision timetable. (Template is on the next page so you can print off as many as you need)
- Enter the name of the topic you are going to be revising and how long you are going to revise for against each day of the week (see example planner on the right)

#### **EXAMPLE PLANNER**

WEEK 1

WEEK	English Language	Maths	Biology	Physics	French	Geography	TOTAL
Monday	Writing (1 hour)				Sport (1 hour)		2 hours
Tuesday		Fractions (1 hour)	Enzymes (1 hour)			Trade/Aid (1 hour)	3 hours
Wednesday				Energy (1 hour)	Transport (1 hour)		2 hours
Thursday		Vectors (1 hour)				Settlements (1 hour)	2 hours
Friday			Evolution (1 hour)				1 hour
Saturday			Nerves and hormones (1 hour)			Volcanoes (1 hour)	2 hours
Sunday		Triangles (1 hour)		Waves (1 hour)			2 hours
TOTAL	1 hour	3 hours	3 hours	2 hours	2 hours	3 hours	14 hours

### Collins REVISION TIMETABLE

#### WEEK \_\_\_\_\_

WEEK				TOTAL
Monday				
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Saturday				
Sunday				
TOTAL				

#### **Create your smart Study Planner**

Make revision manageable. Build a plan around your life. Get confident for your exams.

#### Get started. It's free

#### **Organise your revision time**

Balancing studying with the fun stuff in life can be difficult. Revising can get in the way of everything from meeting friends to relaxing after school.

Building a revision plan helps you manage your time more effectively. It gives you a clear idea of what subjects and topics you'll be revising each day and helps you organise your studies around your life.

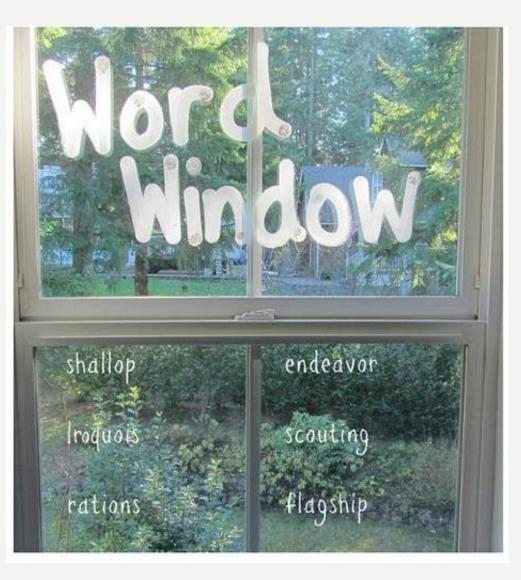
#### The Study Planner:

- Builds revision sessions around your life
- Automatically adds revision sessions for you
- Reminders of revision sessions

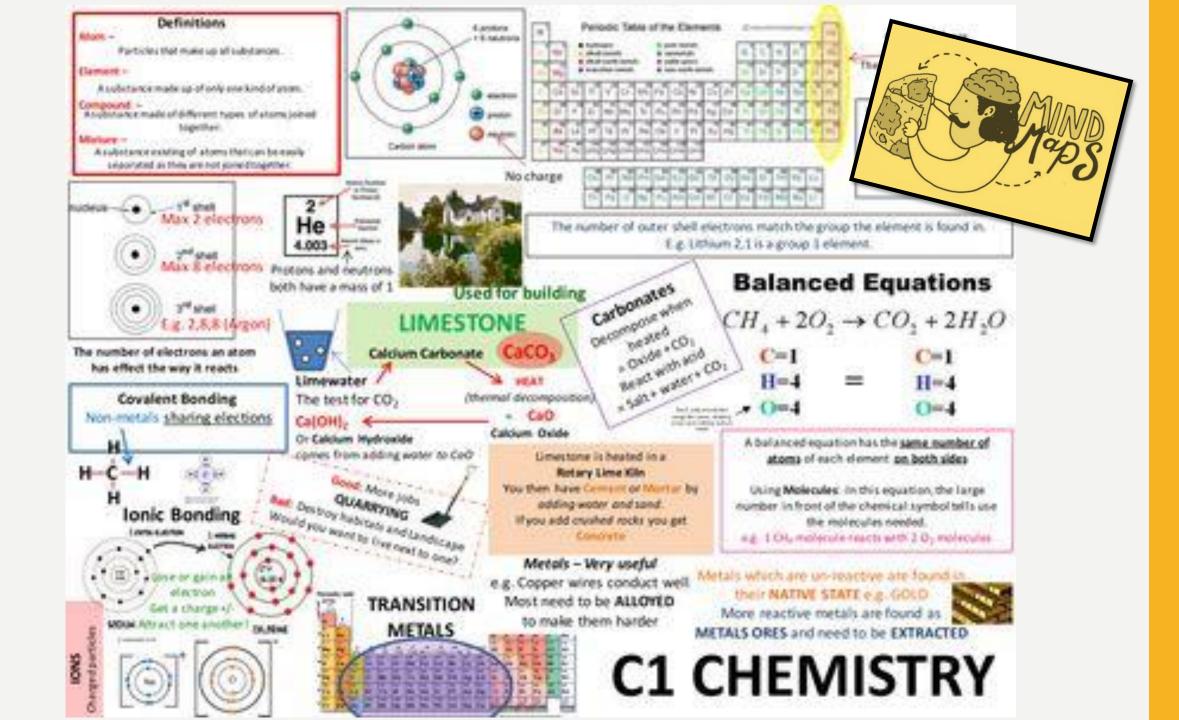
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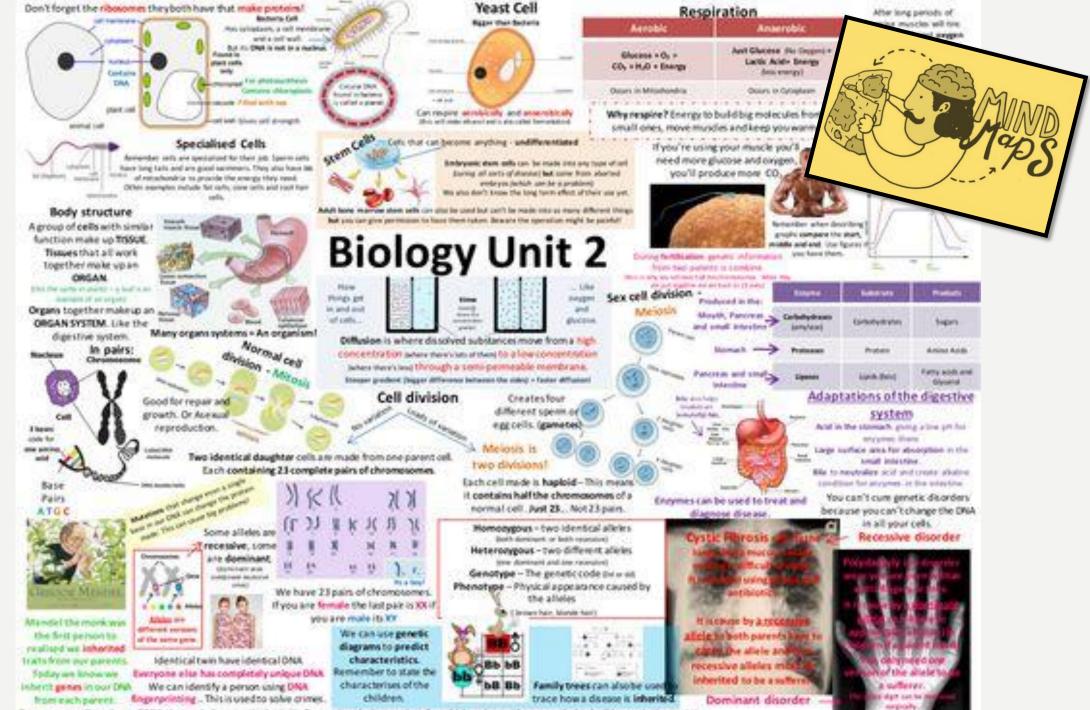


# Glass pens & chalk paint ideas...









Generate small sections of DNA that code for a particular trait. Generative the instructions for which amino solds are needed to build a particular protein



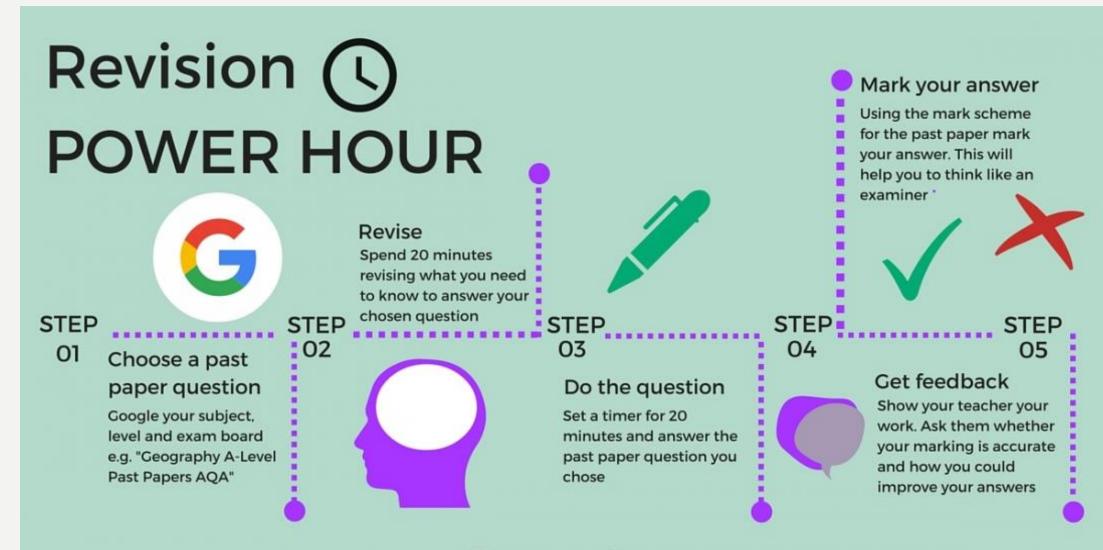
### Make displays for your bedroom wall... or your ceiling...





### More ideas for your bedroom wall





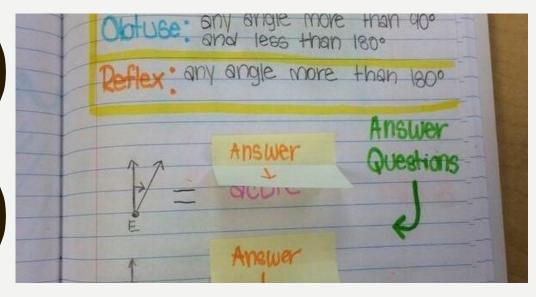
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# Ways to use revision cards





### Using post-it notes...

Post-it notes are great because you can stick them all over the house, in places you are likely to **look**.

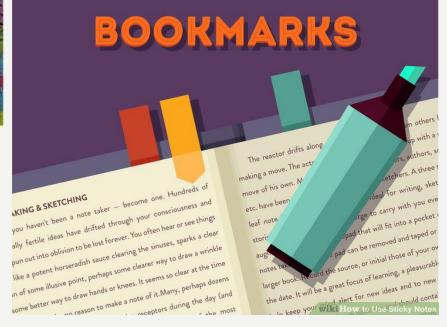
Write key facts onto a post-it note (e.g. the number of people who died in a disaster, the name of a prime minister, or a chemical equation).

Every time you see the post-it note, read it out loud!

Why do you need to read them out loud? It'S ACTIVE revision!

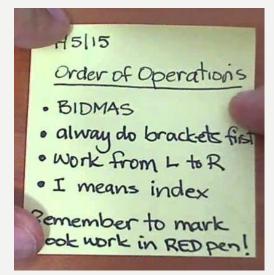


### **Ideas** for post-it notes



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After 2 weeks,





- Choose one topic you have learnt this week
- It can be from any lesson
- Teach someone in your household about that topic
- One week later... test each other on that topic



 Between now and Christmas, test out the different methods of revision that you have been introduced to tonight

