



SUBJECT: Art and Design

A Level	AQA Art and Design A Level	
Specification		
Something to Read	 A World History of Art: Honour and Fleming The Shock of the New- Robert Hughes The Andy Warhol Diaries Edited by Pat Hackett The American Leonardo: A Tale of 20th Century Obsession, Art and Money by John Brewer I Was Vermeer: The Forger Who Swindled the Nazis by Frank Wynne 	
Something to Watch	 The Power of Art: Simon Schama BBC –eight moments when art exploded into a hostile world The Private Life of a Masterpiece – BBC The Great Pottery Throw down – excellent example of inspiration and idea development Youtube – series of 'how to' instructional videos Abstract: The Art of Design 	
Something to Browse - useful websites	 <u>Britishmuseums.org</u> <u>Saatchigallery.com</u> <u>tate.org.uk</u> <u>https://www.theartstory.org/</u> <u>pintrest.co.uk</u> 	
Other Suggestions	Start a Pinterest board/boards and collect inspiration images to help you develop a sense of your artistic interests and style. This could cover anything from photography to arts and crafts.	





SUBJECT: Biology

A Level	OCR Biology A		
Specification	A Level Biology A for OCR Student Book		
	By A. Fullick, J. Locke, P. Bircher		
	Published by OUP, ISBN 978-0-19-835192-4		
Something to	1. Superbugs: The Race to Stop an Epidemic, Author: Matt		
Read	McCarthy MD		
	2. The Gene – An Intimate History, Author: Siddhartha		
	Mukherjee		
	3. Almost Like a Whale Author: Steve Jones		
	4. Cell Biology, Genetics, Molecular Biology: Evolution and		
	Ecology, Author: P.S Verma		
	5. The Selfish Gene, Author: Richard Dawkins		
Something to	Topic - Biodiversity and Evolution:		
Watch	Virunga		
	• Life		
	Planet Earth		
	Topic – Health and disease:		
	What the Health		
	Pandemic: How to prevent an outbreak		
	All available on Netflix or BBC iPlayer		
Something to	www.who.int		
Browse -	The newsroom has many interesting articles and commentaries		
useful	on current global health issues		
websites	 http://www.ibiblio.org/virtualcell/index.htm 		
	The virtual cell webpage		
	 <u>https://royalsociety.org/</u> 		
	Podcasts, news and interviews with scientists about recent		
	scientific developments		
	 <u>https://www.bmj.com/</u> 		





	British Medical Journal Website		
	 http://www.accessexcellence.org/RC/VL/GG/ 		
	Illustrations of processes of biotechnology		
Other	The course begins with how the cell works (structures, biological		
Suggestions	molecules and properties of water), Crash Course: Biology which		
	is found on YouTube provides recaps of these topics in 10 to 15		
	minute videos Link:		
	https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL3EED4C1D684D3ADF		
	YouTube Education has a variety of resources which can be used		
	to revise general lab skills which will be needed to complete the		
	Practical Endorsement portion of the course.		
	Recommended:		
	Microscope technique -		
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tVcEEw6qbBQ		
	General Lab Safety –		
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VRWRmIEHr3A		
	Measurement in Science –		
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oAtDAoqdExw		
	Testing for Biological Molecules –		
	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z3wr2nb/revision/1		
	Investigating osmosis –		
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k1O9jBHgsxs		
	Handbooks produced by OCR		
	Mathematical Skills		
	https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/294471-biology-mathematical-		
	skills-handbook.pdf		
	Practical Skills		
	https://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/294468-biology-practical-skills-		
	handbook.pdf		
	General Interest		
	TED Talks - <u>https://www.ted.com/talks</u>		
	 Talks from experts in a variety of fields 		
	In Our Time: Science – A BBC Radio 4 Podcast		
	 Episodes on a variety of scientific topics 		





SUBJECT: Business

A Level	AQA	
Specification		
Something to Read	 The Google Story - David A. Vise No Logo - Naomi Klein The Toyota Way: 14 Management Principles from the World's Greatest Manufacturer - Jeffrey Liker Grinding it Out- the making of McDonalds – Ray Kroc The Truth about IKEA – Johan Stenebo 	
Something to	The Social Network (2010)	
Watch	• The Big Short (2015)	
	 Jobs (2015) The Founder (2016) 	
	 Margin Call (2011) 	
Something to	 https://www.tutor2u.net/business 	
Browse -	 https://www.theguardian.com/uk/business 	
useful	 <u>https://www.thegdardian.com/uk/bdsiness</u> <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business</u> 	
websites	 www.businesscasestudies.co.uk 	
	• www.bized.co.uk	
	 http://www.businessweek.com 	
Other	There are a wide number of podcasts that will add real depth to	
Suggestions	your learning. Try:	
	TED Talks Business	
	BBC – The World of Business	
	 The Economist (choose from a range of podcasts) 	
	Dragon's Den is also well worth watching, as the Dragon's routinely ask critical questions related to the health of a business. There have also been many great documentaries about businesses that provide insight into their operations. Try: Flatpack Empire (IKEA); Amazon's Retail Revolution	





SUBJECT: Chemistry

A Level	OCR Salters B		
Specification			
Something to Read	 New Scientist CGP Essential Maths skills for A-Level Chemistry https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/secondary-books/as-and-a- level/science/chemistry/cmr71-a-level-chemistry- essential-maths-skills The Pleasure of Finding Things Out - Richard Feynman – Periodic Tales - Hugh Aldersey-Williams The Disappearing Spoon - Sam Kean 		
Something to Watch	 Periodic Table of Videos by Martyn Poliakoff <u>www.youtube.com</u> The link below contains lots of Chemistry related documentaries <u>https://cosmolearning.org/chemistry/documentaries/</u> 		
Something to Browse - useful websites	 <u>https://cosmolearning.org/chemistry/documentaries/</u> Specification and info on course: <u>https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/as-and-a-level/chemistry-b-salters-h033-h433-from-2015/</u> Website with typical exam style questions on: <u>https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/chemistry-revision/a-level-ocr-b/</u> Doc Brown – GCSE Revision notes and quizzes: <u>http://www.docbrown.info/page17/2016ocr21chemB1c.htm</u> Maths and Physics tutor – GCSE notes: <u>https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/chemistry-revision/gcse-ocr-b/chemical-analysis/</u> 		
Other Suggestions	Use the resources on the FROG, BBC Bitesize and Doc Brown's site to revise the following GCSE content in preparation for A level:		





Moles
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z26f8mn/revision/1
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zqcjsrd/revision/1
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z99dpbk/revision/1
Electrolysis
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zyh8tv4/revision/1
Titration
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z99dpbk/revision/2
Rates of reaction
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zt7sk2p/revision/1
 Atomic and electron Structure
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zp3dh39/revision/1
 Alkanes, alkenes, carboxylic acids, alcohols
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z2qr7p3/revision/1
 Bond energy calculations
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z8k2y4j/revision/4
 Group 1 and Group 7 reactions
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z9js97h/revision/6
Acid reactions
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zqjhcj6/revision/1
Covalent, ionic and metallic bonding
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zyggqhv/revision/1
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z2mbjty/revision/1
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z8gx3k7/revision/1
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z8kgqhv/revision/2
Equilibrium and Le Chatelier's principle
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/ztbqfcw/revision/1
 Exothermic and endothermic reactions
https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z8k2y4j/revision/1
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Quizzes on Doc Brown site:
http://www.docbrown.info/page17/2016ocr21chemB1c.htm
 Tollbar Academy students can access the FROG and
complete the past paper questions on the Chemistry pages.
complete the past paper questions on the chemistry pages.





SUBJECT: Economics

A Level	AQA	
Specification		
Something to Read	<u>https://freakonomics.com/</u>	
Redu	 <u>https://www.tutor2u.net/economics/blog/economics-in-ten-</u> podcasts-and-distance-learning-for-economics-students 	
	 <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business/business_of_sport</u> 	
Something to	 The Big Short (15) (Film on Netflix) 	
Watch	 <u>https://youtu.be/NjM1o9mfJk8</u> (Mind the gap documentary) 	
	 <u>https://youtu.be/ezEXOKB5XGA</u> (The Financial Crisis) 	
	 https://youtu.be/YaC4eEQTglw 	
	 (10 Years after the financial crisis) 	
	 <u>https://youtu.be/blL5qv3g6ls</u> (BBC News) 	
Something to	 <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business/economy</u> 	
Browse -	 <u>https://www.theguardian.com/business/economics</u> 	
useful	 <u>https://www.independent.co.uk/topic/Economics</u> 	
websites	 <u>https://www.tutor2u.net/economics/blog/why-this-crisis-is-a-</u> 	
	test-of-our-capacity-to-adapt	
	 <u>https://www.tutor2u.net/economics/blog</u> 	
Other	Check out this youtube channel for helpful introductions to key areas of economics:	
Suggestions	Khan Academy	





SUBJECT: English Language

A Level	AQA	
Specification		
Something to Read 	 Billy Bryson – anything written by Bill, in particular travel writing. Notable biographical writing – Into the Wild, Jon Krakauer; Mad Girl's Love Song, Andrew Wilson; The Stranger in the woods, Michael Finkel; Steve Jobs, Walter Isaacson etc. Short Stories – The Complete Short Stories, Roald Dahl; The Tell-Tale Heart, Edgar Allan Poe; Happy Endings, Margaret Atwood etc. Dramatic Monologues – Porphyria's Lover, Browning; Medusa, Carol Ann Duffy; Eve to her Daughters, Judith Wright etc. Pivotal Speeches – Margaret Thatcher, Churchill, Mandela, Obama etc. 	
Something to Watch	 The King's Speech My Fair Lady The Arrival Stephen Fry's Planet Word The Adventure of English (BBC) 	
Something to Browse - useful websites	 <u>AQA Specification</u> <u>The Student Room</u> <u>https://www.linguisticsociety.org/</u> <u>https://allthingslinguistic.com/</u> <u>https://www.englishclub.com/</u> 	
Other Suggestions	Research and read about the following: Project Nim Feral language acquisition Follow well regarded journalists, particularly those with columns in: The Times, The Guardian, The Independent Take part in https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2019/02/15/upshot/british- irish-dialect-quiz.html	





SUBJECT: English Literature

A Level	AQA A Level English Literature Spec A (7712)		
Specification	Option B		
Specification Something to Read 	•		
Something to Watch	Any film version/dramatic production of the above set texts e.g. Parker's 1997 Othello; Luhrmann's 2013 Gatsby.		
Something to Browse - useful websites	 <u>sparknotes.com</u> <u>litcharts.com</u> <u>yorknotes.com</u> <u>bbc.co.uk/bitesize</u> <u>schmoop.com</u> 		
Other Suggestions	You should try to read around the set texts, as well as reading the texts themselves. For example, you could read other Shakespearean tragedies (e.g. King Lear) and Duffy's other collections (e.g. The World's Wide). You could also research the authors and the time periods that they wrote in to develop your contextual knowledge and understanding.		





SUBJECT: French

A Level	AQA
Specification	
Something	As well as reading as much French as you can, from your own resources or online, you could also
to Read	read a French book. Most of these listed below can be found on Amazon or Waterstones'
	websites.
	 Le Petit Prince (also a film – see below!) – a beautiful philosophical children's book about life and its meaning. An inspirational book and beautifully illustrated.
	 Le Petit Nicolas – short stories aimed at young people, but also enjoyed by adult learners.
	Very amusing and easy to read.
	 If you're a Harry Potter fan, try reading the first book in French. As you probably know the
	story well, it's fun to see how French translators work with J.K. Rowling's clever word play.
	• You can find fairytales in French to read here, with optional audio too:
	https://www.thefablecottage.com/french
	• The Easy French Reader has short stories with comprehension questions to build up your
	confidence. It also has glossaries of words in the texts and they progressively more
	challenging.
Something	Streaming and online sources are a great way to find French films and programmes. Try Netflix, if
to Watch	you have access to it, for several of these films. Youtube is also a good source of French programmes.
	programmes.
	• The Little Prince – a fantasy retelling of the famous book; beautifully animated. Available in
	French with subtitles or dubbed in English.
	• Amélie – famous French romantic comedy about a girl who seeks to help those around her.
	Quirky and gorgeous cinematography
	 Home – a compelling documentary about our planet and its fragility by Yann Arthus-
	Bertrand
	 <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=17&v=NNGDj9IeAul&feature=emb_logo</u> La Vie en Rose – biopic of the legendary singer, Edith Piaf. Full of classic French songs and
	• La vie en rose – biopic of the legendary singer, Editional. Fuil of classic French songs and the story of her extraordinary life.
	 5. Bad Seeds – a comedy drama about a scam artist who ends up working with a group of
	difficult children and finding redemption.
Something	Coffee Break French - excellent podcasts to help reinforce your basic French skills. Lots of
to Browse	culture references too: https://radiolingua.com/coffeebreakfrench/
- useful	Grammar practice – build up your confidence in different grammar areas with these online
	activities. Very easy-to-navigate website: <u>http://frenchgrammartour.com</u>
websites	Although some of the content requires a subscription, there are also plenty of free
	resources on https://www.frenchteacher.net - you can do Higher GCSE reading, writing, speaking and listening practice as well as challenging yourself with A level texts.
	 An excellent range of listening resources are available here: https://french-revision-with-
	eileen.constantcontactsites.com As well as traditional listening tasks, there are French
	songs too.
	• If you want to push yourself further with grammar, try this French grammar website:
	https://bescherelle.com Lots of games and quizzes.





Other Suggestions	Try listening to French radio or try to read online newspaper articles. Even as background music/noise, it's good to listen to the sounds of French.
	You could try to find a favourite francophone artist – try searching for some of the groups/singers below (or any others that you find interesting) and see which style you prefer: <u>Louane Emera</u> , <u>BB</u> <u>Brunes</u> , <u>Coeur de Pirate</u> , <u>Edith Piaf</u> , <u>Zaz</u> , <u>Céline Dion</u> , <u>Yann Tiersen</u> , <u>Kyo</u> , <u>Eddy de Pretto</u> , <u>Indila</u> , <u>MC</u> <u>Solaar</u> , <u>Johnny Hallyday</u> , <u>Amadou et Mariam</u> , <u>Chinatown</u> , <u>Suarez</u>
	Find a news story you are familiar with in English and see if you can find and understand the equivalent article in French.
	During the A level course we study two French novels, <i>No et Moi</i> by Delphine de Vigan and <i>Bonjour Tristesse</i> by Françoise Sagan. The former is a contemporary writer, the second was written in the 1950s. You could research the two writers, to build your background knowledge before you study them.
	Look over your notes from GCSE French. Many of the topics are revisited in greater detail in Year 12, such as family/friends and technology. Being confident with your vocabulary will be a massive help for next year.





SUBJECT: Geography

A Level	AQA		
Specification			
Something to	<u>The Earth: A Very Short Introduction</u>		
Read	Landscapes and Geomorphology		
	<u>Geopolitics: A Very Short Introduction</u>		
	<u>Climate Change: A Very Short Introduction</u>		
	 Prisoners of Geography 		
Something to	Royal Geographical Society	Films:	
Watch	Youtube	An Inconvenient Truth	
	iPlayer Science and Nature	Slumdog Millionaire	
	Playlist	 Dante's Peak 	
	iPlayer Climate Change Playlist	The Impossible	
	BBC Earth	• Under the Peak: China's	
	• iPlayer Race Across the World	Air Pollution	
	 iPlayer Africa with Ade Adepitan 		
	iPlayer Fashion Conscious		
	iPlayer Earth from Space		
	iPlayer Stacey Dooley on BBC		
	Three		
Something to	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects	/zkw76sg - BBC Bitesize	
Browse -	Geography.		
useful	https://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision/geography – The website		
websites	covers a range of ideas and key issues that	at appear on all exam boards.	
	https://www.s-cool.co.uk/gcse/geograph	y – Useful for all students and	
	especially for revision material for GCSE	geography.	
	https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks3/geography/ - Quizzes designed		
	to test recall and knowledge of different aspects of human and physical		
	geography.		
	https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach - Make sure you go to secondary and then		
	your subject to watch clips on different topic.		
Other	Overheard – National Geographic Podcast		
Suggestions	Science Weekly – The Guardian Podcast		
	Ask the geographer Podcasts		
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The Development Podcast – World Bank
The World Economic Forum Podcasts
Planet Money – The economy explained
RGS Online Lectures
BBC Costing the Earth
BBC The Documentary Podcast
Living Planet Podcast





SUBJECT: German

Specification	AQA A Level German
5 to Read – Books	As well as reading as much German as you can, from your own resources or online, you could
and Websites	also read a German book. Most of these listed below can be found on Amazon or Waterstones'
	websites.
	1. Emil und die Detektive (also a film – see below!) by Erich Kästner – a 1929 story about Emil,
	who has money stolen from him on a train journey to Berlin, and tries to track down the thief
	with the help of other children.
	2. Die Wolke – This novel by Gudrun Pausewang tells a story of a breakdown of a nuclear power
	station in Germany. Hannah fights for her own survival as she becomes contaminated.
	3. Both books above are available in the <i>Easy Reader</i> series. Have a look for some other books
	you may be interested in. These have short stories with comprehension questions to build up
	your confidence. They also have glossaries of words in the texts.
	4. Try to find German translations of books you've enjoyed, e.g. Harry Potter.
	5. You can find fairytales in German to read here, with optional audio too:
	https://www.thefablecottage.com/german-2
5 to Watch – Films	Streaming and online sources are a great way to find German films and programmes, e.g. Netflix,
	youtube.
	1. <i>Emil und die Detektive</i> – 1931 film based on the book. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1z-</u>
	nDpuZFVg
	2. Die Wolke - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CzIK1ldY_R4
	3. <i>Goodbye, Lenin</i> – This comedy follows a family in East Germany; the mother is dedicated to the
	socialist cause and falls into a coma in October 1989, shortly before the November
	revolution. When she awakens eight months later in June 1990, her son attempts to protect her from a fatal shock by concealing the fall of the Berlin Wall and the collapse of
	communism.
	4. <i>Die fetten Jahre sind vorbei (The Edukators)</i> – Jan, Peter and Jule break into rich people's
	houses while the owners are gone, carefully rearranging their possessions and leaving
	behind a note that their days of plenty are numbered. When they get caught in the act,
	they have no choice but to kidnap the homeowner.
	5. Deutschland von oben (Germany from above) – a documentary series which looks at the
	geography and history of Germany. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ZE2oDjL7qw
5 to Browse -	1. Coffee Break German - excellent podcasts to help reinforce your basic German skills. Lots of
Useful Websites	culture references too:
for general	https://radiolingua.com/coffeebreakgerman/
research	2. Fab for grammar practice – build up your confidence in different grammar areas with these
	online activities. Very easy-to-navigate website: http://deutschseite.de/
	3. Blinde Kuh is a website aimed at younger children, but this makes it easy to understand.
	https://www.blinde-kuh.de/index.html
	4. The German equivalent of Newsround is Logo. <u>https://www.zdf.de/kinder/logo/</u>





	5. Keeping up with current affairs is vital for some of the A level topics. Listen to daily news bulletins <u>https://www.dw.com/de/deutsch-lernen/nachrichten/s-8030</u> or podcasts with transcripts and interactive activities <u>https://www.dw.com/de/deutsch-lernen/top-thema/s-8031</u> with Deutsche Welle.
Other Suggestions	 Try listening to German radio or try to read online newspaper articles. Even as background music/noise, it's good to listen to the sounds of German. If you have any films on DVD or games that you know well, try changing the language selection to German for a change. You could try to find a favourite German-language artist – a search for "German music" on Google brings up a whole series of links to different videos. Maybe you like classic 80s pop (<i>99 Luftballons</i> by Nena)? Rock (<i>Schrei nach Liebe</i> by Die Ärzte)? A comedy song about how too many English words are being used instead of German ones (<i>Be cool, speak Deutsch</i> by Die Prinzen)? A man rapping while wearing a panda mask (<i>Hi Kids</i> by Cro)? Find a news story you are familiar with in English and see if you can find and understand the equivalent article in German. During the A level course (closer to the second year), we study a German play, <i>Der Besuch der alten Dame</i> by Friedrich Dürrenmatt, and a novel, <i>Die verlorene Ehre der Katharina Blum</i> by Heinrich Böll. (You could also watch summaries of both of these works in German using Playmobil toys – spoiler alert!) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tNdXijxruqc https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bWPdnef55qc Look over your notes from GCSE German. Many of the topics are revisited in greater detail in Year 12 such as family/friends and technology. Being confident with your vocabulary will be a massive help for next year. Recapping GCSE work on BBC Bitesize would also be useful.





SUBJECT: History

A Level	OCR History A		
Specification			
Something to Read	 Access to History: We Williamson, Hodder Origins of the First We The Great War, Ferrer The Inter-War Crisis And the Inter-War Crisis And the Inter, Appeasement Japan and the League Hawaii The Tudors: M. Dicken and N. Fell The White Queen - Penery VIII: And the menery VIII: And the menery VIII: And the menery VIII: And the menery Civil Rights in the US: 	1919-39, Overy, Longman and the Road to war 1933-41, Darby, are of Nations – Empire and World Orde llows, England 1485-1603. (Hodder Edu	<i>890-1945</i> Fourth Edition, Hodder r, Burkman, University of ucation, 2015)
Something to Watch	International Relations: The Darkest Hour - Film about Churchill but has some good points on appeasement and road to WW2 - Prime Video World War Two in Colour (Episodes 1,2 4, 11 and 13) - These cover the start of WW2 and the War in Asia - Netflix	The Tudors: Winter King Documentary - <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-</u> <u>5FsriGn300</u> England's Forgotten Queen - available on BBC iplayer Henry VIII and his sixth wives - Channel 5 on demand	Civil Rights in the US: X (15) - Film about Malcom X The Black Panthers: Vanguard of the Revolution The March (2013 film/documentary about the March on Washington)





	Selma – (2014 film about voting rights in 1960s America) 12 Years A Slave (15) - has some very accurate scenes about Slavery in the USA but can be distressing in parts
Something to Browse - useful websites	 <u>Encyclopedia Britannica</u> - has some very detailed articles on events <u>History Today</u> - some paywall parts, but also a number of free articles which relate well to topics covered by the A Level History course <u>https://www.historyextra.com/</u> <u>MRGREEN1066</u> - Youtube Channel
Other Suggestions	You could research an area of history or a historical figure that you find particularly interesting – try to find out about a time period or figure that you have never learned about before. This will help to build up your historical knowledge as well as developing your independent research skills.





SUBJECT: Mathematics

A Level Specification	Edexcel
Something to Read	 <u>New Head Start to A-Level Maths (CGP A-Level Maths 2017-2018) Kindle Edition</u> <u>Bridging GCSE and A Level Maths Student Book (Collins A Level Maths) Paperback</u>
Something to Watch	n/a
Something to Browse - useful websites	 <u>MathsWatch</u> - Grade 8-9 Videos, especially the "Algebra" section. GCSE: <u>https://corbettmaths.com/</u> GCSE and A Level: <u>https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/</u> <u>https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/</u> A Level: Bridging GCSE to A-level – Step up to A-level (this is a free resource that provides questions and solutions) <u>http://www.cimt.org.uk/projects/mepres/step-up/index.htm</u>
Other Suggestions	Keep practising and revising your GCSE maths as often as you can! Tollbar Academy students can also complete the transition worksheets on the Year 11 FROG page.





Subject: Media Studies

A Level Specification	Eduqas A Level Media Studies	
Something to Read	 Research and read the theories of Paul Gilroy on ethnicity and postcolonial theory. Research and read the theories of Judith Butler on 'gender performativity'. Research and read the work of Liesbet van Zoonenon feminist theory. Read and research the work of Stuart Hall on theories of representation <i>Feminist Theory From Margin to Center</i> – by bell Hooks 	
Something to Watch	 Black Panther (2018) and I, Daniel Blake (2016) Humans (UK/US) Series 1, Episode 1 (2015), Original Broadcasters: Channel 4 (UK) AMC (US) The Returned (France), Season 1, Episode 1: 'Camille' (2012), Original Broadcaster: Canal+ (France) UK Broadcaster: Channel 4 Music Videos - Vance Joy – Riptide, Beyonce – Formation 	
Something to Browse - useful websites	 Eduqas A Level Specification https://www.theguardian.com/uk/media https://learnaboutfilm.com/ MediaKnowall https://www.alevelmedia.co.uk/ 	
Other Suggestions	Access a range of media from different sources – films, television, adverts, magazines, music videos, newspapers, online resources etc. Try to reflect on what you see – how does it represent different groups of people? What language is used? How is it produced? You could keep a diary of all of the different types of media you encounter, and what you notice about them.	





Using YouTube, find 'how to' videos on using Photoshop or Publisher. Try
and see if you can teach yourself to use these and practise producing
something like a magazine front cover.

SUBJECT: Music

A Level	AQA A Level Music	
Specification		
Something to Read	 Harmony in Practice – Butterworth A Guide to Musical Analysis – Cook Music: A Very Short Introduction – Cook AQA AS and A Level Music Study Guide – Knight & Bristow Writing About Music Workbook – Wightman 	
Something to Watch	 Bach – A Passionate Life Howard Goodall's Story of Music The Story of Musicals Messiaen – A Life in Colour The Genius of Mozart – The First Romantic 	
Something to Browse - useful websites	 <u>Choraleguide.com</u> <u>IMSLP.com</u> <u>CPDL.com</u> <u>Musicteachers.co.uk/resources/16</u> <u>Musictheory.net</u> 	
Other Suggestions	 Regularly listen to Radio 3 / Classic FM Listen to the following set works – Purcell - Sonata for trumpet and strings in D major Z.850 (complete) Vivaldi - Flute concerto in D II Gardellino op.10 no.3 RV428 (complete) Bach - Violin concerto in A minor BWV1041 (complete) 	





SUBJECT: Physical Education

-	 The books below are not compulsory reading, but if you are able to reading of them prior to starting the course, it would be useful. Sport and Society Issues and Controversies- Coakley
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	 The Evolution of English Sport- Wigglesworth Foundations of Sport and Exercise Physiology- Weinberg and Gould Sports Psychology: Concepts and Applications- Cox Motor Learning and Performance- Schmidt and Wrisberg
Something to	Tom Brown's School Days
Watch	 Kes
	 The Truth about Takeaways (BBC) Icarus (documentary on use of drugs in sport)
Something to	vww.teachPE.com
	vww.bbc.co.uk/sport
	vww.youthsporttrust.org
	vww.sportengland.org
<u></u>	<u>vww.eis2win.co.uk</u>
Suggestions d a Yi w	You could do some more in-depth research into your chosen sport - the developments that have occurred over time, including rules, equipment and facilities. You should also keep yourself up to date with what is happening in the vorld of sport at the moment. You could also look up the following on Youtube:





James Morris
EverLearner

SUBJECT: Physics

A Level	OCR B Advancing Physics	
Specification		
Something to Read	 GCSE Notes on Hooke's Law and motion from Physics as well as material science from Chemistry. 	
	• The following Bitesize has revision note on GCSE topics relevant to the A-Level course. Knowledge of electric circuits, explaining motion, radioactive materials and matter should be good prior to starting the A-level course.	
	 More advanced reading: Six Easy Pieces by Richard Feynman 	
Something to Watch	 Documentary: Chernobyl on Sky Atlantic – Be aware there are some graphic scenes. Details the Chernobyl disaster and links to radioactive materials. 	
	 Documentary: Particle Fever on Netflix This documentary introduces the large hadron collider. 	
	 Film: The Martian Proposes the question, can life be sustained on Mars? Also links to gravitational fields and escape velocity. 	
	 Film: Everest and/or Documentary: Extreme Everest with Ant Middleton – Be aware there may be some upsetting scenes Both tell the story of climbing Everest. Links to atmospheric pressure. 	





	 Documentary: "Cosmos: A Spacetime Odyssey" (2014)
Something to Browse - useful websites	The following website has some good notes that link to GCSE content you have learnt and introduce A-Level <u>https://www.physicstutoronline.co.uk/alevelphysicsnotes/</u> Nasa website has interesting articles on many space topics: <u>https://www.nasa.gov/</u>
Other Suggestions	Tollbar Academy students can complete P1,2,3,4,5 and 6 on the frog <u>https://frog-ta.tollbarmat.co.uk/app/os</u>





SUBJECT: Philosophy

A Level Specification	OCR Religious Studies A Level	
Something to Read	 The Philosophy Files – Stephen Law The God Delusion – Richard Dawkins Teach Yourself Philosophy – Mel Thompson The Puzzle of Ethics – Peter Vardy Teach Yourself Ethics – Mel Thompson Christianity – A Very Short Introduction – Linda Woodhead 	
Something to Watch	<u>BBC History of Philosophy</u> <u>Crash Course Philosophy – Youtube</u> <u>BBC Horizon – God on the Brain</u> <u>The Boy Who Lived Before - Youtube</u>	Films: The Matrix The Truman Show The Da Vinci Code Bonhoeffer: Agent of Grace The Constant Gardener The Adjustment Bureau The Magdalene Sister's (15)
Something to Browse - useful websites	 <u>https://peped.org/</u> <u>Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</u> <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b04bwydw</u> <u>https://thepanpsycast.com/home</u> <u>Divinityphilosophy.net</u> <u>RSReview</u> <u>https://www.theguardian.com/world/religion</u> <u>https://philosophybites.com/</u> <u>Philosopherkings</u> 	
Other Suggestions	BBC 'In Our Time' – take your pick from a wide range of podcasts on many areas of philosophy. Plato's Republic and Augustine's Confessions are good starting points.	



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Keep a close eye on a variety of news sources so you are up to date
with current affairs – including what is going on in the worlds of
politics, business, science, arts and culture. All of this will prove useful
when you begin your course.

You could do your own independent research and complete a timeline of the most influential philosophers of all time. Try to find out a little bit about some of the scholars who have most influenced philosophical thought. A few names to get you started – Socrates, Plato, Aristotle. St Augustine, Aquinas, Descartes, Kant, Hume, John Stuart Mill, Marx, Bentham. You could also research other interesting and controversial figures, such as Richard Dawkins and Mary Daly.





SUBJECT: Politics

A Level Specification	AQA A Level Politics (Specification Code 7152)
Something to Read	 Any major party manifesto from the 2019 General Election "How to be Right in a World Gone Wrong"- James O Brien "A Journey" Tony Blair "For the Record " David Cameron "A Year at the Circus" Jon Sopel
Something to Watch	 <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z6R0NvVr164</u> The History of the Democratic Party <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s8VOM8ET1WU</u> How the Republican Party went from Lincoln to Trump <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h34uK7k8xRc</u> What's is like being a Supreme Court Justice <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aHbtDDdeglc</u> "The man that shouts order" UK Parliament <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KGZwuBRv6Wg</u> 5 facts about the UK Parliament
Something to Browse - useful websites	 <u>https://labour.org.uk/</u> <u>https://vote.conservatives.com/</u> <u>https://www.libdems.org.uk/</u> <u>https://www.supremecourt.uk/</u> <u>https://www.parliament.scot/</u>
Other Suggestions	Keep up to date with the recent events of the 2020 US Presidential Election. Remember who receives the Democratic Party nomination. Look out for any US Supreme Court cases that make the UK news.





Look out for who becomes the next Labour Party leader in the UK and who is appointed to their "shadow" cabinet.

SUBJECT: Psychology

A Level Specification	AQA Psychology
Something to Read	 The Lucifer Effect, by Zimbardo (978-1846041037 Behind the Shock Machine, Gina Perry, 978-1922247094. The Memory Illusion Dr Julia Shaw 978-1847947611. Forever Today, Debra Wearing, 2011, 978-0552771696. Opening Skinner's Box. Lauren Slater 978-0747568606. The Man Who Couldn't Stop, David Adam, 9781447277682. Essentials of Human Memory (cognitive psychology) Paperback 10 Feb 1999.
Something to Watch	 Schizophrenia : Stolen Minds Youtube.com Good Will Hunting. East is East (for Relationships topic) Dirty Filthy Love. Michael Sheen film on Youtube. Extreme OCD Camp - Episode 1. BBC documentary 2013. NHS VIDEOS – Obsessive Compulsive Disorder. The Wave (Die Wells (15) The Experimenter (12) A Beautiful Mind (PG) Freud documentary – Youtube.
Something to Browse - useful websites Other	 <u>Senaca revision for psychology</u> <u>Simply Psychology</u> <u>https://www.ted.com/talks?topics%5B%5D=psychology</u> <u>Explaining Psychology</u> - a Psychology Youtube channel which delivers interesting and engaging psychology lessons. Research a famous Psychologist and create a biography for them,
Suggestions	suggesting why their work was important in less than 300 words.





SUBJECT: SPANISH

A Level Specification	AQA
Something to Read	 The House of Bernarda Alba by Federico García Lorca Chronicle of a Death Foretold by Gabriel García Márquez
Something to Watch	 La Casa de Bernarda Alba Crónica de una Muerte Anunciada Volver La Guerra Civil Española Como Agua Para Chocolate
Something to Browse - useful websites	 www.languagesonline.org.uk https://personal.colby.edu/~bknelson/SLC/ https://www.facebook.com/groups/2073588669595887/ https://elpais.com/ https://www.eltiempo.com/
Other Suggestions	Keep learning your speaking questions to develop your spoken Spanish. Carry on using Kerboodle, or other online resources to practise your listening, reading and writing.