

## Technique 1 – Online Tools

### Good for People Who...

- Lose written notes.
- Find it hard to file/organise.
- Like using technology.
- Want to revise key words.
- Want to revise on the go.

### [www.quizlet.com](http://www.quizlet.com)

Search for pre made quizzes using your subject name and specification. Do tests, flashcards and games.

### Want a Challenge?

Try and make your own quizzes. Set up a leader board with your friends.

### [www.bubbl.us](http://www.bubbl.us) – Laptops/Computers

### iMindMap – Smart Phones

Mind mapping tools, good for if you struggle to organise notes. Make a log in and you can electronically save your mind maps.

### Want a Challenge?

Use this with technique 2.

### [www.sparknotes.com](http://www.sparknotes.com)

Good for English revision. Take quizzes and get summaries for lots of different texts.

### [www.gcserevisionworld.com](http://www.gcserevisionworld.com)

### [www.bbc.co.uk/education](http://www.bbc.co.uk/education)

Good for if there is gaps in your knowledge/notes. Bitesize also has some quizzes. Be careful though, some subjects and specifications are different to those on here. Check with your teacher.

## JUST REMEMBER

- To give yourself plenty of time. Don't try and cram hours before the exam. All of these techniques are more effective the more time you do them.
- REPEAT REPEAT REPEAT! The more you go over something, the more likely you are to remember it.
- Take breaks. For every 30 minutes of revision, take a 10 minute break.
- Avoid distractions. Get someone you trust to change your social media account passwords if you think you will be tempted. Remove distractions from around you when revising.
- Find a space. If you struggle to find a quite space at home, could you use the school library/a teacher's classroom?



## Technique 2 – Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check

### Good for People Who...

- Want to revise processes or complex ideas/case studies.
- Have already done their revision notes and want to push themselves.
- Prefer to hand write notes.



- Get out some classwork notes for the process/idea that you want to focus on.
- Break down the notes into a mind map or bullet points.
- Read you points for 30 seconds.
- Hide the notes away from view and write down as much as you can remember on a new piece of paper.
- Now compare your memory notes to the ones you completed with your notes. Fill in any points you missed in a different colour and repeat but pay special attention to the ones you forgot the last time.

## Technique 3 – Post-it Notes Around the House

### Good for People Who...

- Struggle to set aside revision time.
- Learn better when moving around.
- Have issues with focusing for long periods of time.



Using a pack of post-it notes, write small pieces of information on each one (works well with key word definitions or facts). Stick them around your house in places you pass often (door frames, light switches, mirrors etc.) Every time you pass one, repeat the information out loud to yourself.

### Want a Challenge?

Instead of just writing information, write a question instead of a piece of information. Every time you go past you have to remember the answer. Have the answer on the reverse so you can check it.

# How Do I Revise!?!



# Keep calm and use this guide!

## Technique 5 – Read and Record

### Good for People Who...

- Find it difficult to focus for long periods of time.
- Want to revise on the go.
- Find it hard to organise notes.
- Learn by listening.

If you have a smart phone, you will be able to record voice memos. Read your notes aloud and record yourself doing so. Play it back to yourself while you walk the dog, do chores, are in the car or in the house.



## Technique 4 – Self Testing

### Good for People Who...

- Need to work on exam technique.
- Have already made revision notes and want to use them more effectively.
- Are close to their exam.
- Who like to revise with others.

- Get some past papers from your teacher or using your memory stick supplied by school.
- Open up some past papers and write down the questions on one side of a flash card/piece of paper.
- For the best results, have lots of different questions.
- Copy a model answer using the mark scheme onto the other side of the flash card.
- Go through and test yourself. Write an answer to the question you choose and then check it using the model answer/mark scheme.
- You can get friends, parents, relatives to test you using this technique.

