



Alleyne's
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**Sixth Form
Strategy Evening
2026-27**

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Welcome / Aims / Contents of the Session

To ensure parents/ carers are provided with all the key information that is required to fully support their child throughout Sixth Form.

To provide a link between the Sixth Form and parents to support students

- **Sixth Form Vision** (our WHY for everything)
- **Examinations** (when they are/how you can support as a parent)
- **Parents evenings** (communication)
- **Report and monitoring schedule** (helps to track their child's progress)
- **Independent Learning**
- **Revision Support**
- **Careers Information and Guidance** (how to access the careers advisor)
- **Attendance Expectations**
- **Wider opportunities and Enrichment**
- **Work Experience**
- **Key deadline dates for coursework**

- Overall to help provide the link between the Sixth Form and Parents as we approach this final part of the journey within the School

Sixth Form Vision

Created in conjunction with students and staff

- To ensure ***all students achieve in their academic subjects and succeed in their next steps*** in terms of University, employment or training
- To ensure **all students are happy and healthy (wellbeing)**
- To ensure ***all students develop life skills (character, skills, attitudes and confidence)*** to be ***positive role models in school and make a positive contribution to society***

Alleyne's Sixth Form (Destinations)

Very proud of the results of our students and most pleasingly where this takes our students

Destinations data (2025/26) - 100% of students who applied to University gained a place. 24% whom have gone off to Russell Group Universities. Student off to study Medicine.

We also had an increase in the number who have been successful in achieving Degree level Apprenticeships with local employers.



Alleyne's Sixth Form (Enrichment)



Enrichment opportunities – Duke of Edinburgh, Buddy Scheme, Young Enterprise, lower school tutors, subject ambassadors, WHAM (Wellbeing) ambassadors, school council representatives, boxing mentors and more (Year 12 launch next week)

Work Experience 1 weeks work experience in Year 12 (summer term W/C Monday 5 July 2027)

Attendance Expectations

Sixth Form Expectations – getting the balance right – DIRECT CORRELATION TO ATTAINMENT

- **All students attend all lessons and timetabled independent learning sessions.**
Medical and dental appointments should if possible be made in **non-contact periods** or **out of school hours**. We will require notification **by parents** in the form of a letter, email or appointment card, sent to the appropriate form tutor if a student is absent from lessons.
- They are allowed to sign out in non-contact times but need to sign in if they have to return. When lessons have been completed for the day they can go home.
- Students should attend tutor period **every day**.(8.45-9.15) except for **FRIDAY**. They will only be required to attend for a half termly 1 to 1 AND any weeks where they have not completed Independent Learning tasks. You will be informed by tutor.
- If a student has **NO LESSONS** on a particular day of their timetable they will be **allowed to work independently from home**.
- *If a lesson is cancelled, all students are expected to attend the silent study room to complete the work set*



Independent Learning

One of the biggest differences for Sixth Form is expectations of **work completed independently** outside of the room in **NON-CONTACT time**

This may be a mix of :-

CONSOLIDATION work – going over previous material in preparation for assessments, retrieval activities in lessons etc

PREPARATION work – working on prior reading for next lesson, preparing a presentation of some key content or ideas

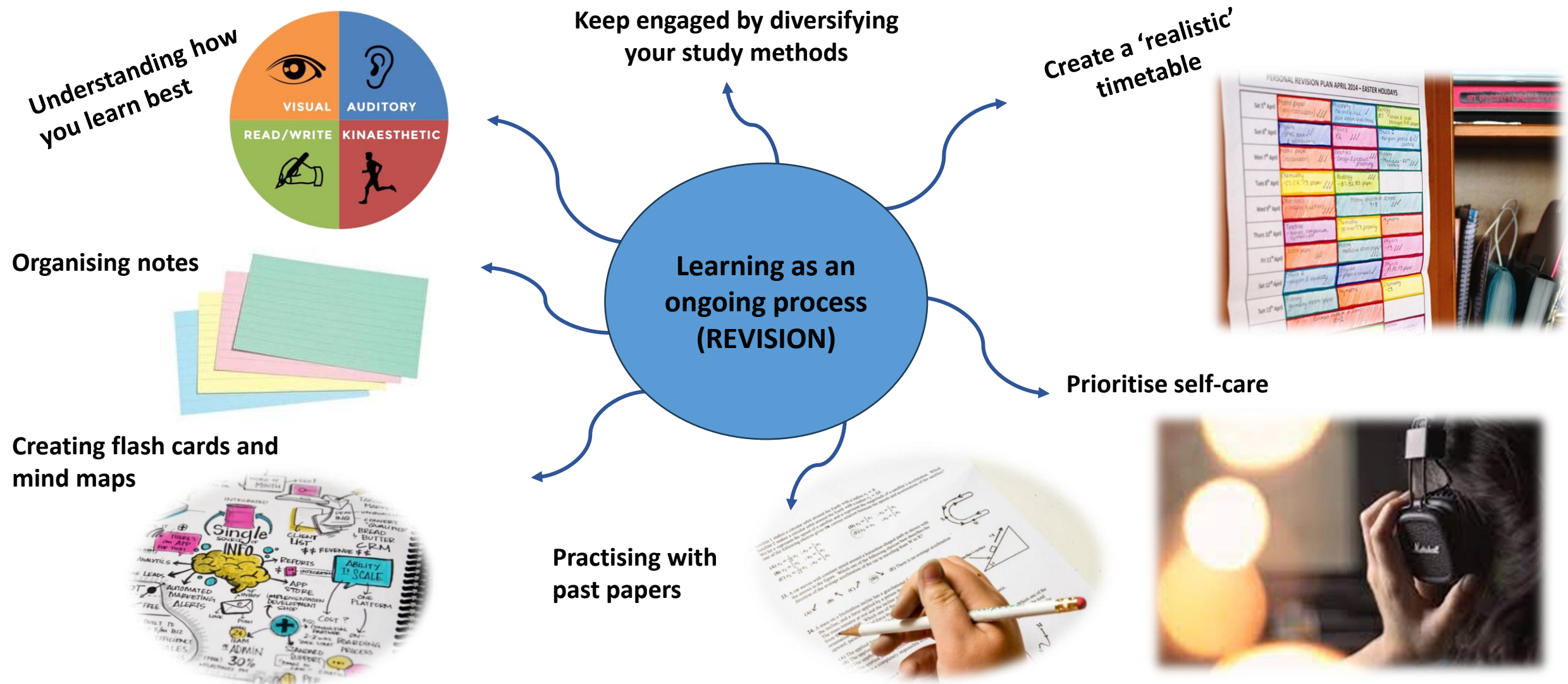
PLANNING PRACTICE QUESTIONS – not assessed formally but to get a feel for what is expected of them in different assessments

Departments will set work and monitor its completion on Satchel. You will be able to see clearly what is expected of them. Ongoing retrieval and independent learning means intensive “cramming” later is not required.

We have the **Silent Study area** for students to complete such work and monitor their completion to offer further support if required. ***It is our expectation that students undertake 5-6 hours of Independent Learning per subject per fortnight at home or during the School day***



Tutor Programme – helping your prepare (ongoing)



Careers – Future Options Programme

One-to-one careers interview

All students in Sixth Form have access to a one-to-one (30 minute) careers interview with our independent careers advisor Giselle Douglas (g.douglas@alleynes.staffs.sch.uk)

Careers Fair 2026/2027

All Sixth Form students get the opportunity to visit the careers fair in the spring term. Here they can meet with other local settings/educational providers, such as, Newcastle/ Stafford College, National Apprenticeship Service, E-Quality, Public Services, The Army, Universities and much more....

Tutor Programme – the tutorial programme allows students opportunity to research opportunities and on our 2 main pathways in particular

UCAS

Students engage in an extensive programme of UCAS support on how to apply, writing a personal statement and student finance – a separate evening for Year 12 in February/March 2027 for Future Options

National Apprenticeship Service

Students interested in following an apprenticeship pathway can sign up for an afternoon with the National Apprenticeship Service



UCAS



Reporting and Monitoring Schedule (Communication)

Monitoring – Academic Mentoring via Tutors

Monitoring will take place on a regular basis to ensure you are informed on 3Rs Effort Grade (formerly Attitude to Learning). Parents and students will receive this and students will also receive a 1 to 1 with their tutor at this time to review. If necessary further actions will be planned to address any issues.

Reports

Reports will be issued in more detail once each academic year.
Year 12 at the end of the Year in Summer 2 following their end of Year exams.
Year 13 in Spring Term following 2 sets of their Mock exams.

Results

Results from key assessments will also be shared with parents.

Y12 Induction (October), Y12 Mock Exams (January), (June/July)
Y13 Mock Exams (October/November), (December/January), (February/March)



Sixth Form Progress Evenings (Communication)

Progress Evenings – crucial subject specific input on Progress, areas to develop, current focus, revision strategies. They are a crucial part of our communication with you.

Dates

Sixth Form Strategy Evening – 17th September 2026

Future Options Evening (Y12) – 18th March 2027

Y12 Progress Evening – 10th June 2027 (with opportunity for follow ups post Year 12 exams)

Y13 Progress Evening – 4th February 2027

Other opportunities to contact (2 way communication)

Email

Phone

Head of Sixth Form



Sixth Form Examinations (Mock and External)



Year 12	Year 13
Induction Assessments in all subjects take place early to allow students to assess how they are finding the course and early opportunity for changes if required	Students to take at least 2 of the 3 following windows. Some Applied options may have reduced load due to external exams. A Level students with NEA may have a blank window.
w/c 21st September 2026	w/c 19th October 2026
Series of assessments in line with Assessment and Feedback Policy – 1 or 2 per Half Term with feedback	
w/c 11 January 2027	w/c 7th December 2026
w/c 28th June 2027 – End of Year assessment – the basis of predicted grades / progression to date	w/c 8th February 2027
<i>External exams for some Applied courses – January 2027</i>	<i>External exams for some Applied courses – January 2027</i>
<i>External exams for some Applied courses – May / June 2027</i>	<i>External exam for A Levels and Applied courses – May / June 2027</i>

Examinations / Progress – How can you help ?

How can I help my child to prepare?

- Check your child has the appropriate revision lists.
- Ensure your child has the appropriate revision materials e.g. Revision guides, access to Tutor 2 U or recommended websites etc.
- Encourage your child to attend the subject revision clubs.
- Sit down and plan a revision timetable out with your child to fit around their other commitments
- Talk to them about revision / help them maintain a balance
- Liaise with their class teacher if you or they have questions
- See revision as an ongoing process



Sixth Form Revision/Coursework clubs

We have a programme of Revision Intervention and Coursework clubs in all areas of Sixth Form

A full timetable of when they occur will be shared on the website

Students are encouraged to prepare for such sessions with Revision Plans shared and individual priorities identified

They are expected to play an active role in this process by combining their own work together with the plan of the subject staff (consolidation and practice)

It is more than just attending

Subject specifications and exam boards

AQA	PEARSON EDEXCEL (BTEC)	OCR	WJEC	PEARSON EDEXCEL (A LEVEL)
Art and Design Biology Business Chemistry History Physics Psychology Sociology	AAQ Health and Social Care IT Science Extended Certificate Business Sport National Diploma (Double) Business	Computer Science Design and Technology English Language English Literature	Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology	Geography Mathematics
				

Revision guides

English Literature

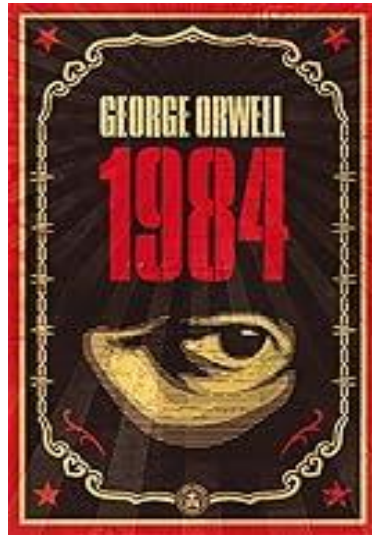
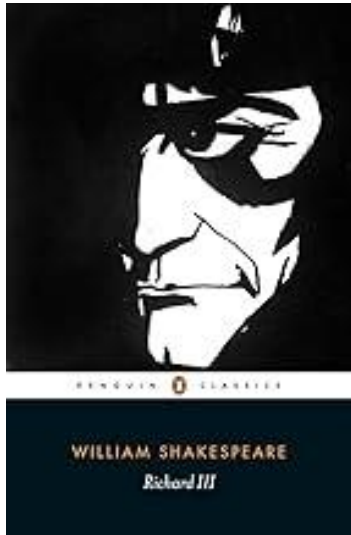
Year 12

Richard III

1984

William Shakespeare

George Orwell



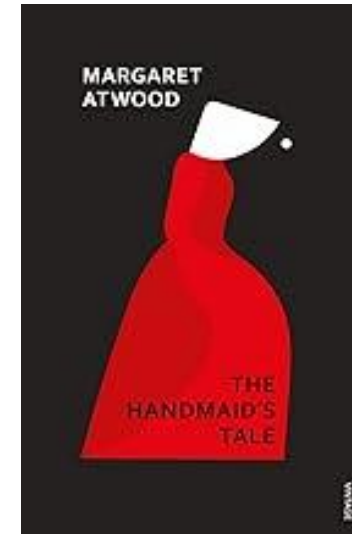
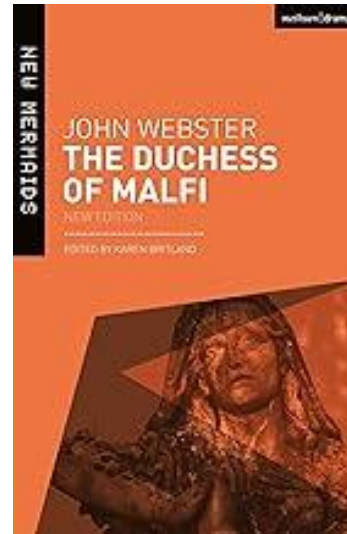
Year 13

The Duchess of Malfi

The Handmaid's Tale

John Webster

Margaret Atwood



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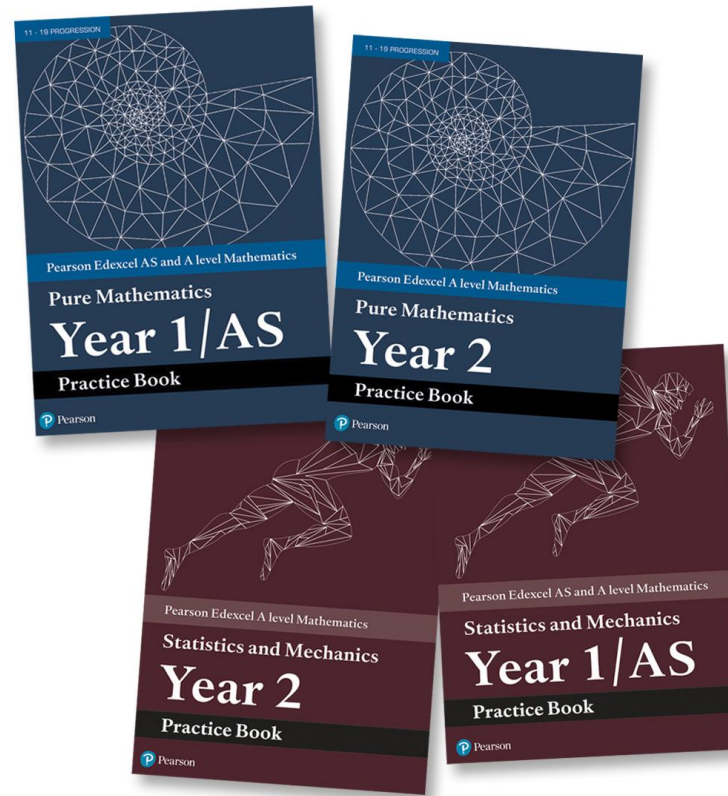
English Language

Online subscription log in given



Maths

Pearson Edexcel Practice Books: Edexcel AS and A level Mathematics and Further Mathematics

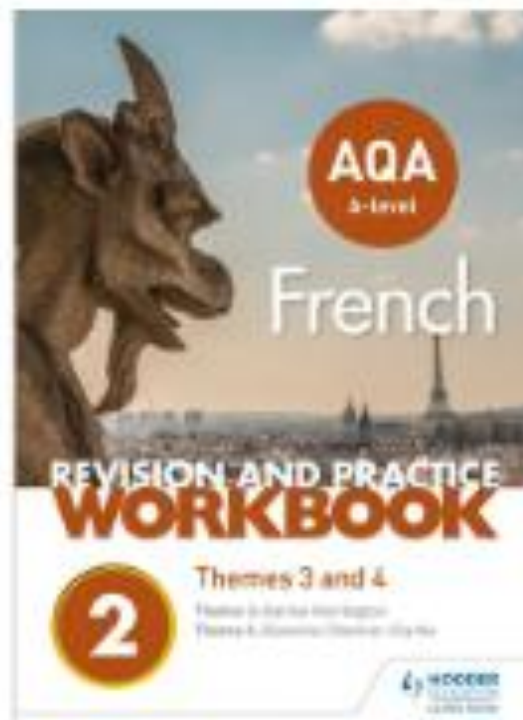
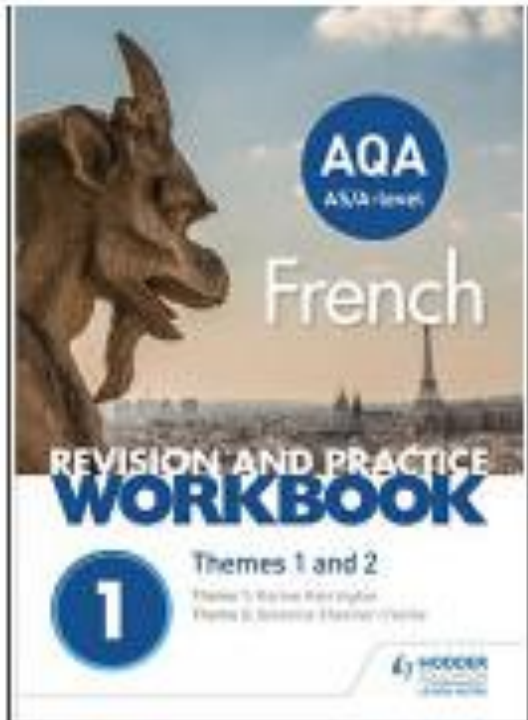


Revision guides

French

AQA A-level French Revision and Practice Workbook: Themes 1 and 2 [Year 12]

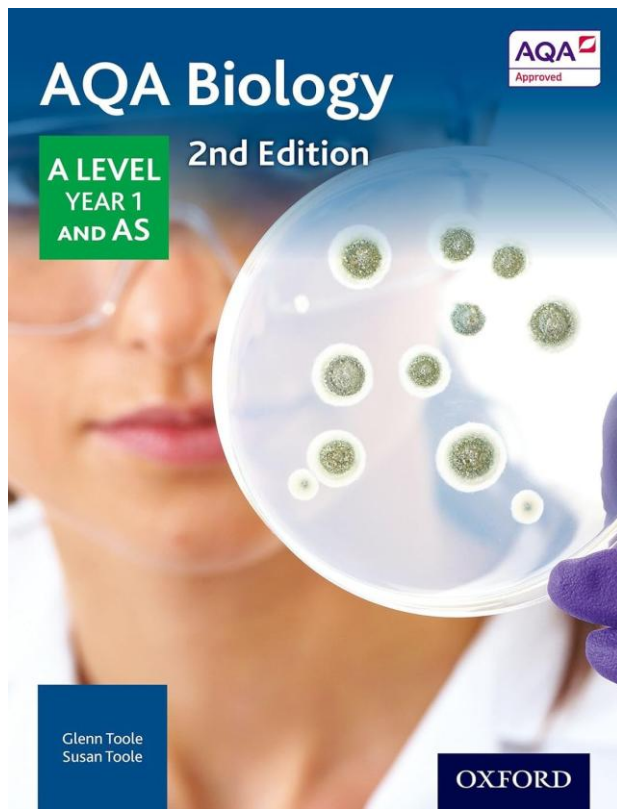
AQA A-level French Revision and Practice Workbook: Themes 3 and 4 [Year 13]



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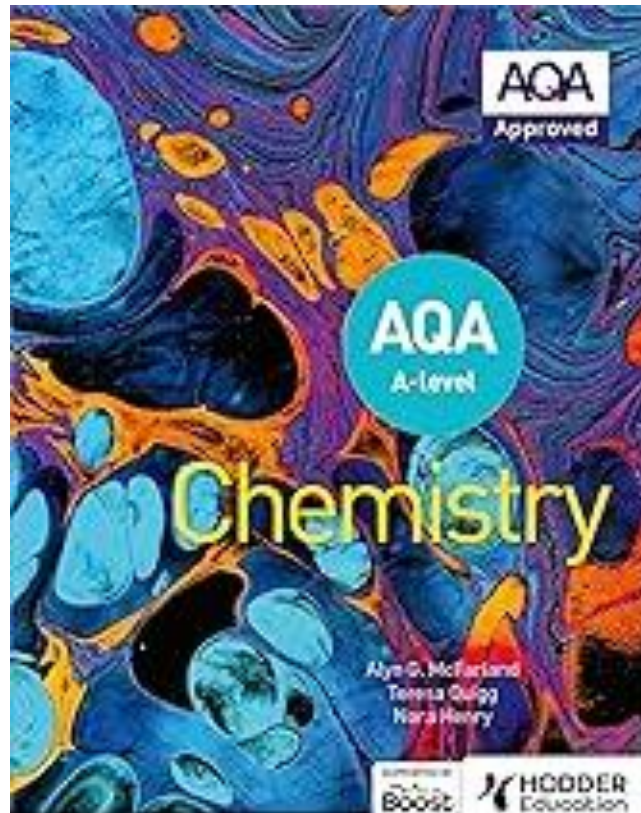
Biology

AQA Biology: A Level Year 1 and AS



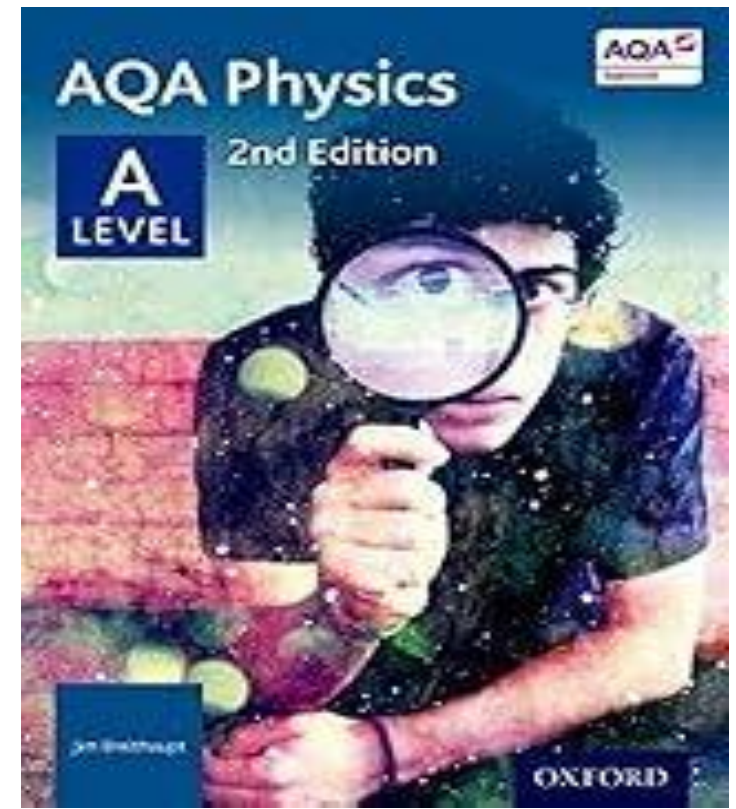
Chemistry

AQA Chemistry, Hodder



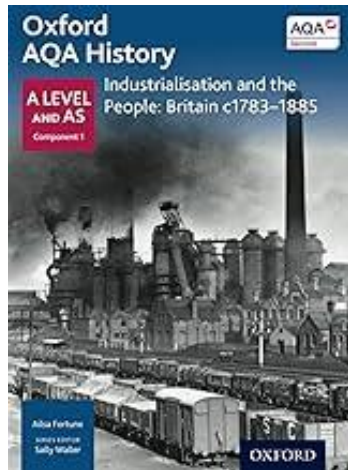
Physics

AQA A Level Physics

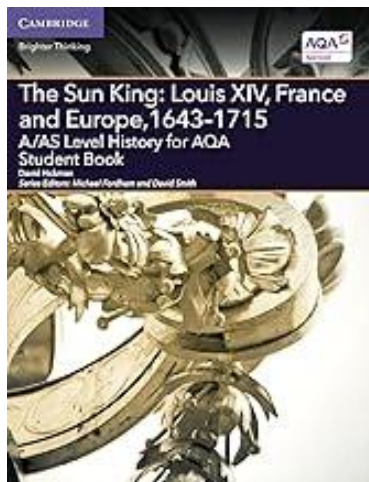


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History



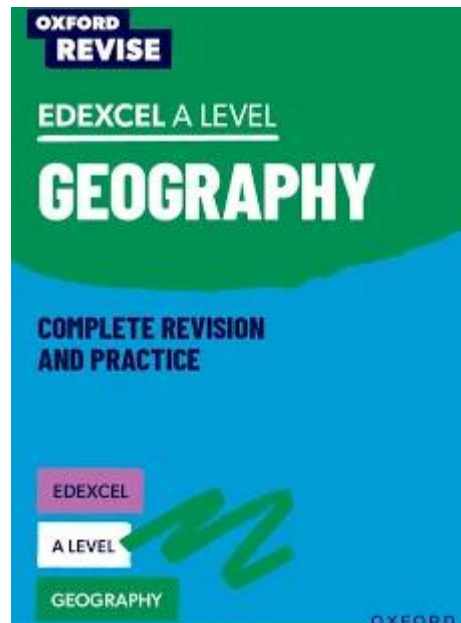
Oxford AQA
History –
Industrialisation
and the People
1783-1885
Ailsa Fortune



The Sun King –
Louis XIV,
France and
Europe 1643-
1715
David Hickman

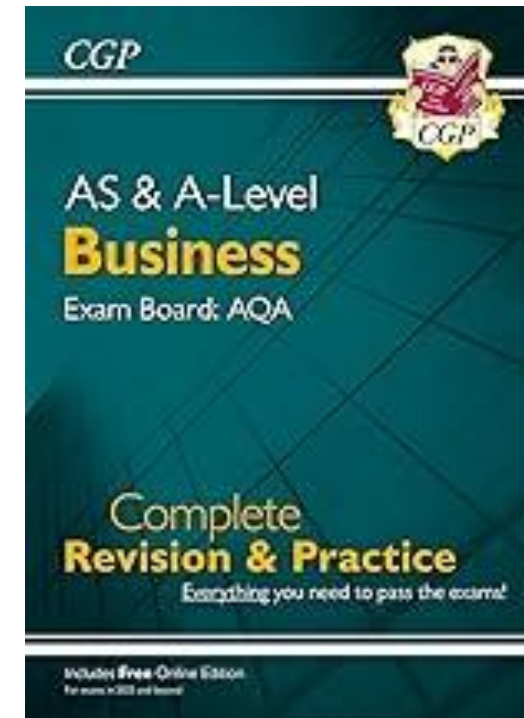
Geography

Oxford A Level
Geography - Edexcel



Business Studies

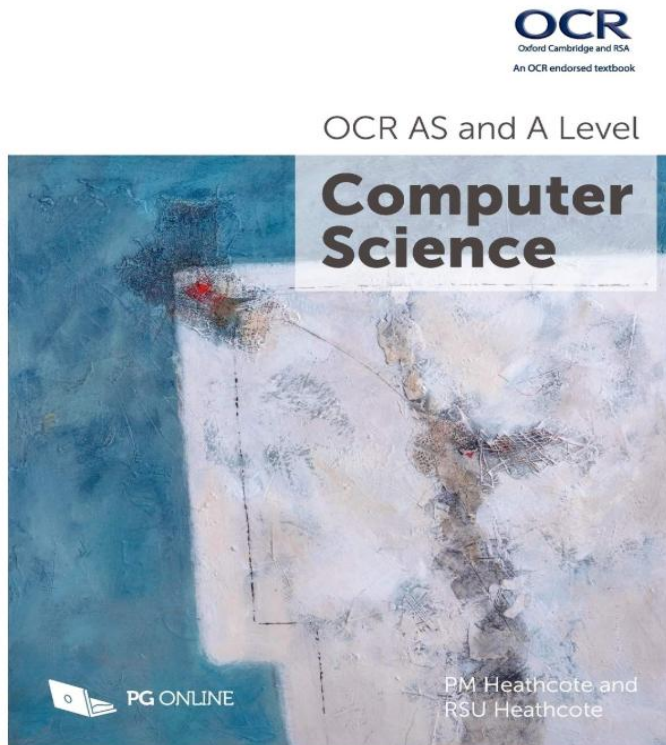
CGP – AS and A Level
Business - AQA



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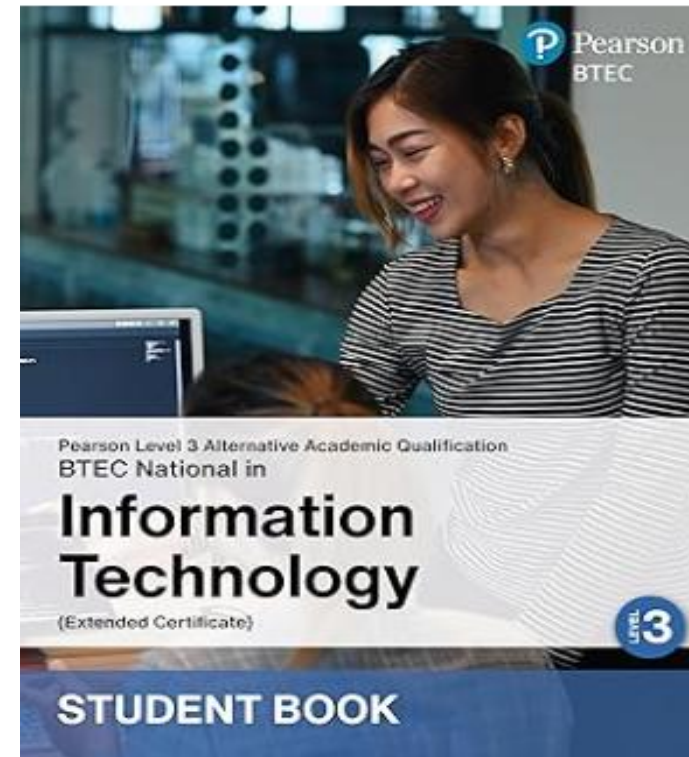
Computer Science

OCR A Level Computer Science
revision guide ISBN: **1910523054**



Applied IT

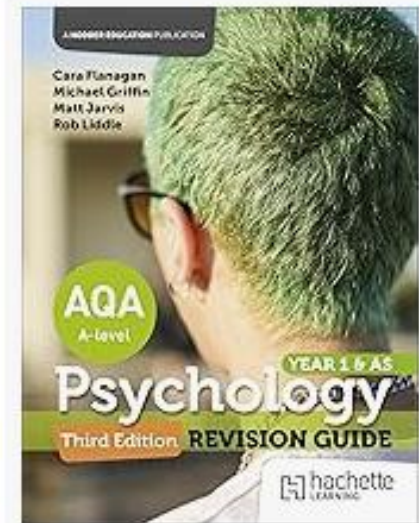
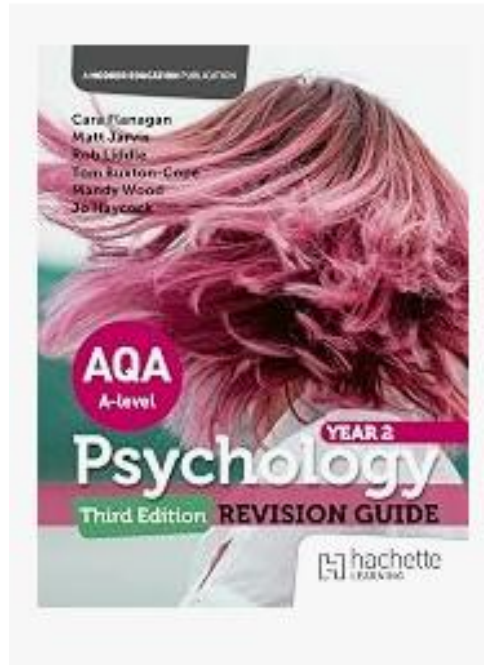
Pearson Level 3 AAQ in IT
student book ISBN: **1292754885**



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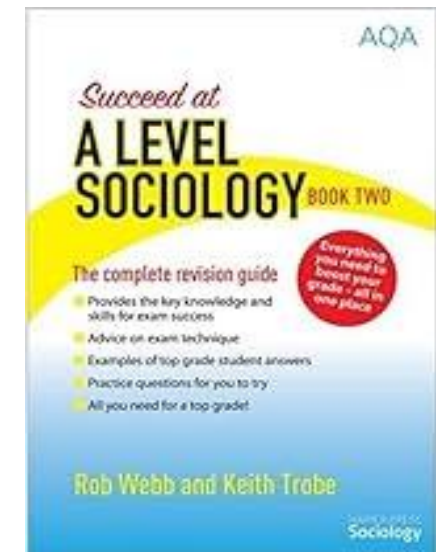
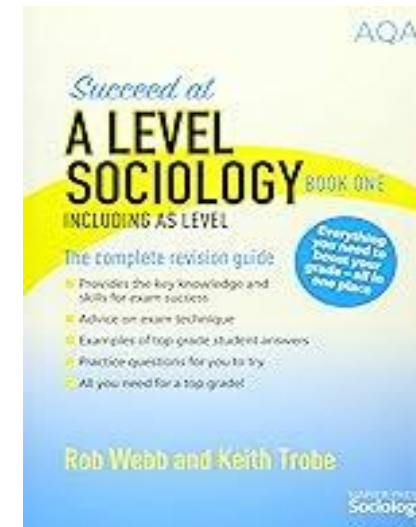
Psychology

AQA Psychology for A
Level Revision Guide
Year 1 and 2 –
Hachette Learning



Sociology

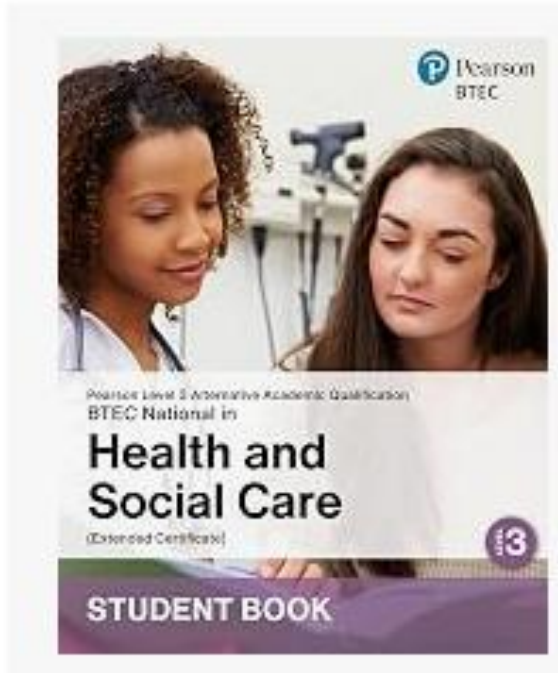
Succeed at A Level
Sociology –
Revision Guide Year
1 and 2 – Napier
Press



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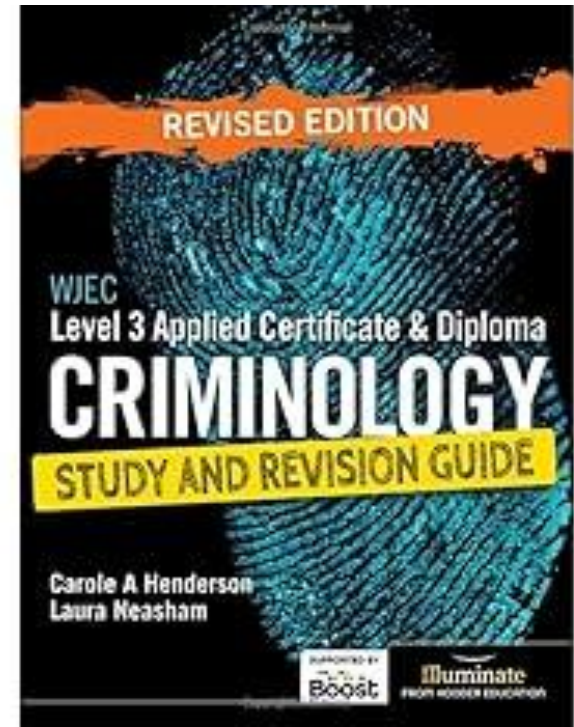
Applied Health and Social Care

Pearson AAQ Health and
Social Care Student Book



Criminology

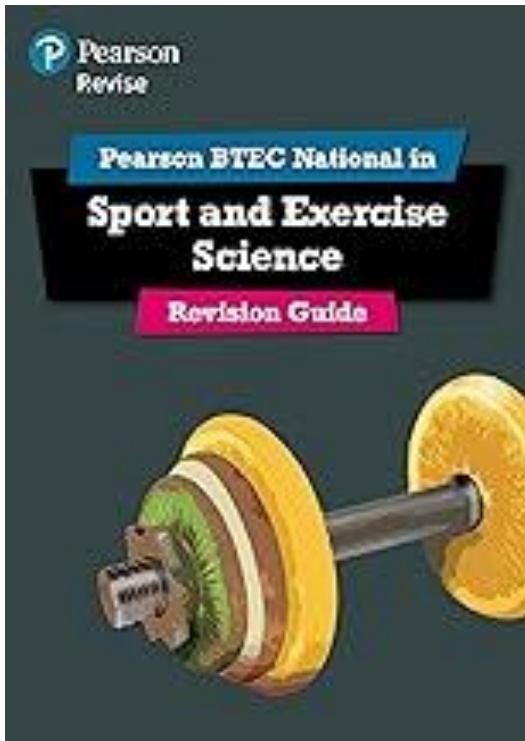
WJEC – Level 3 Applied
Diploma Criminology Revision
Guide – Carole Henderson



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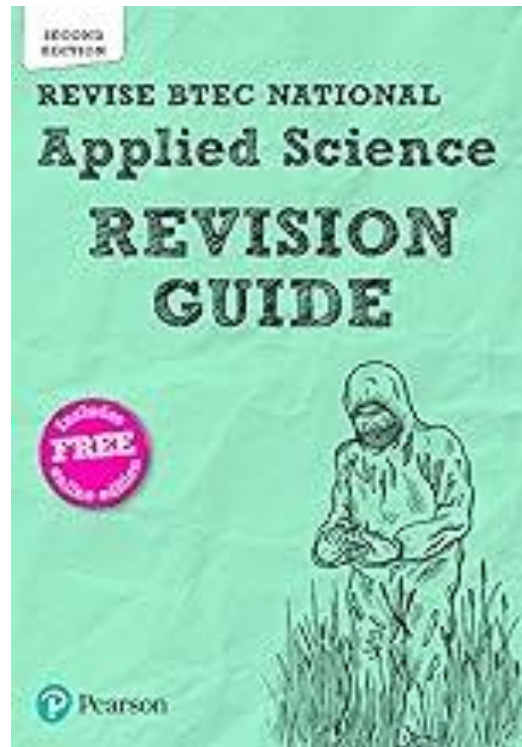
Applied Sport

Pearson Revise BTEC
National Sport and Exercise
Science Revision Guide



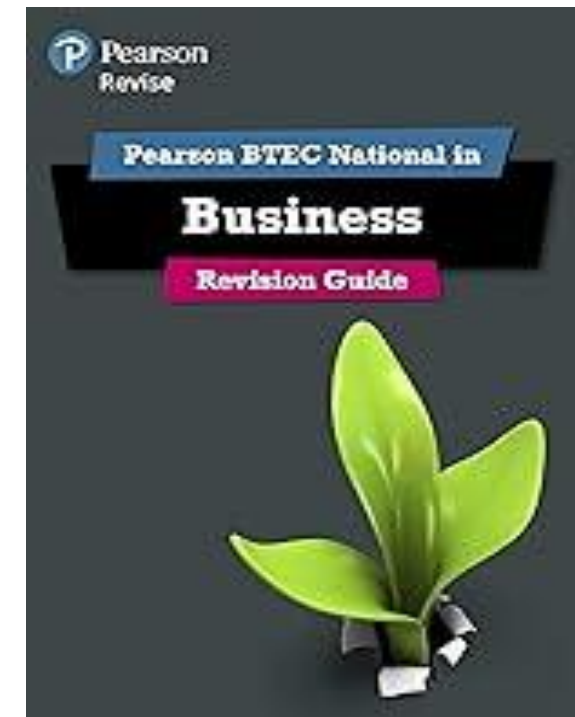
Applied Science

Pearson Revise Applied
Science Revision Guide



Applied Business

Pearson Revise BTEC
National Business Revision
Guide



Revision guides

Design and Technology

OCR Design and Technology for AS/A Level (OCR AS/A Level Design and Technology 2017) / ISBN10 – 1510402659



Key Coursework/ NEA Submission Dates

Subject	Key Coursework/ NEA Submission Dates
English Language	Complete NEA (20%) in the Summer of Year 12
History	NEA coursework (20%) completion by Monday 22 February 2027
Geography	NEA coursework deadlines: 23 rd September, 15 th October, 5 th November 2026 (20%) Fieldwork dates - Monday 14 th June – Thursday 17 th June 2027 [TBC]
English Literature	Carol Ann Duffy Coursework – 3 rd November 2026 Further comparative piece to follow (date to be advised)
Art and Design	60% Coursework from September of Year 12 to January of Year 13 40% Controlled Test (Exam) from February of Year 13 to April of Year 13

Key Coursework for Applied Courses Submission Dates

Subject	Key Dates
Sport	Exam windows in January and May with resit opportunities if required (though we want to avoid this where possible). IT: Year 13 Re-sit IT Systems 8th January 2027 IT: Year 13Cyber Security and Incident management Exam 5th May 2027 Criminology is a course run via WJEC. There are a mix of controlled assessments and exams. Again, staff will advise of deadline throughout the course.
Health and Social Care	
IT	
Science	
Criminology	

Key Dates Applied Courses

Subject	Key Dates Year 12
Applied Business	Unit 2 (CN)- 6 th and 7 th May 2027 Unit 3 (TT) 13 th May 2027

Subject	Key Dates Year 13
Applied Business	Unit 6 (AC)- pre release 10 th December 2026, Exam Friday 15 th January 2027 Unit 2 and 3 resits will be in Jan 2027. Dates to follow.

Key Staff Contact Details

Area	Staff Member	Contact Details
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Questions & Answers



Thank you!