Subject:			
A Level Economics - Year 12 Examination			
Exam Board: Edexcel			
paper 1: 1 hour 30 minutes (Theme 1)	Paper 2: 1 hour 30 minutes (Theme 2)		
Date and time – 19 <sup>th</sup> June – PM	Date and time – 27 <sup>th</sup> June - AM		
Paper 1 Content:	Paper 2 Content:		
<ol> <li>Nature of economics</li> <li>How markets work</li> <li>Market failure</li> <li>Government intervention.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Measures of economic performance</li> <li>Aggregate demand</li> <li>Aggregate supply</li> <li>National income</li> <li>Economic growth</li> <li>Macroeconomic objectives and policy</li> </ol>		

# **Useful revision resources:**

Physics and Maths Tutor -

<u>Theme One https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/economics-revision/a-level-edexcel-a/theme-1/</u>

<u>Theme Two - https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/economics-revision/a-level-edexcel-a/theme-2/</u>

Seneca - https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/blog/a-level-economics-revision/

Revision World - <a href="https://revisionworld.com/a2-level-level-revision/economics-level-revision">https://revisionworld.com/a2-level-level-revision/economics-level-revision</a>

YouTube Videos -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OPV1BOs1ISI&list=PLWeicFreBUYDlaLppnRTZpwgBASflf4IU

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W9IjktFC9Tg&list=PLWeicFreBUYCOFC2A0SlKrpEYgwaSF63t

All of these links are excellent additional ways of testing your understanding and application.

## **Revision Tips**

Use flashcards for key theory – test yourself with the flashcards "little and often".

Exam question practice – test yourself as regularly as possible and compare to mark scheme answers (refer to the structure of the exams below)

# Paper 1: Introduction to markets and market failure

\*Paper code: 8ECO/01

Externally assessed

Availability: May/June

First assessment: 2016

50% of the total qualification

#### Overview of content

Paper 1 will assess microeconomics and questions will be drawn from Theme 1.

#### Overview of assessment

- Written examination.
- The paper comprises two sections.
- Section A comprises a range of multiple-choice and short-answer questions.
   Students answer all questions.
- Section B comprises one data response question broken down into a number of parts, including a choice of extended open-response questions; students select one from a choice of two.
- Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes.
- 80 marks available.

# Paper 2: The UK economy - performance and policies

\*Paper code: 8EC0/02

Externally assessed

Availability: May/June

First assessment: June 2016

50% of the total qualification

### Overview of content

Paper 2 will assess macroeconomics and questions will be drawn from Theme 2.

## Overview of assessment

- Written examination.
- The paper comprises two sections.
- Section A comprises a range of multiple-choice and short-answer questions.
   Students answer all questions.
- Section B comprises one data response question broken down into a number of parts, including a choice of extended open-response questions; students select one from a choice of two.
- Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes.
- 80 marks available.

# **Assessment Objectives and weightings**

Students must:		% in GCE
A01	Demonstrate knowledge of terms/concepts and theories/models to show an understanding of the behaviour of economic agents and how they are affected by and respond to economic issues	22-24
A02	Apply knowledge and understanding to various economic contexts to show how economic agents are affected by and respond to economic issues	22-24
A03	Analyse issues within economics, showing an understanding of their impact on economic agents	26-28
A04	Evaluate economic arguments and use qualitative and quantitative evidence to support informed judgements relating to economic issues	26-28
	Total	100%

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# 25 Mark Question Template

#### Introduction

Definition of key terms

Motivate the topic - say why it is important

If a policy is suggested use key terms to state why they would use it. Alternatively state appropriate policies for the problem

# Paragraph Point – Could be identifying what the market failure is or an advantage/ disadvantage or a particular policy Definitions – Define key economic terms raised in your point Evidence – Refer to the extract where possible or use an example of your own Consequences of this point Explanation Develop chains of reasoning Reference to the fully labelled diagram Answer the question

#### Diagram Checklist

Evaluation - What does this point depend upon?

Fully labelled – Axis, equilibrium positions, curves etc.

Drawn large and with a ruler

Reflects points raised in your paragraphs – If you are referring to a tax for a demerit good, use this diagram, not the simple tax diagram, if you are explaining tax revenue, illustrate your tax revenue

Refer to specific points on the diagram using letter points

There should be at least four thorough paragraphs that use this structure for a 25 mark question.

Two paragraphs should be arguments for and two paragraphs should be arguments against so as to provide a balanced answer.

Remember to alternate the for and against paragraphs to ensure that you hit AO4 marks should you run out of time.

#### Conclusion

Provide your own judgement

Weigh up the value of the arguments raised – If you are arguing the government should tax a good say why the arguments against are less important

Evaluate – reiterate key evaluation points your answer depends upon and bring up overall evaluative points, e.g. potential for government failure