

Great Sankey High School
Year 8 Summer Revision Lists

Section 1: Assessments Timetable

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Year 8 English
Summer 2024

Topics to
revise

Year 8: War and Conflict Poetry

You will be asked to answer questions about a poem you have studied (Caged Bird by Maya Angelou) to show your understanding of key poetic terms.

Year 8: The Merchant of Venice

You will be asked to answer questions about an extract that you have studied from The Merchant of Venice to show your understanding of the text including plot, themes, and characterisation.

Revision
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Copy of War and Conflict Poetry anthology – This is the booklet that was used in class.

Copy of The Merchant of Venice booklet – This is the booklet that was used in class.

<https://files.schudio.com/great-sankey-high-school/files/KnowledgeOrganiser/Autumn23/Year 8 KO Autumn 23.pdf>

[Caged Bird Poem Summary and Analysis | LitCharts](#)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y2RydELdTuM&list=PLz_ZtyOWL9BQKstLJ_fc_pZbVz-VDL2dmU

[The Merchant of Venice - KS3 English - BBC Bitesize](#)

Year 8 Science Summer 2024

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| Topics to revise | <p>70% of the test will be the topics you have completed in Year 8 (These may not all come up)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Separation techniques - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zych6g8• Electricity & Magnetism - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zgy39j6• Ecosystem processes - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zxhhvcw• Metals & acids - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3ksp4j• Energy - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zc3g87h <p>30% of the test will be on the topics you have completed in Year 7 (These may not all come up)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reproduction - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zybbkqt• Reactions - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zypsgk7• Light - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zm9mxbk/articles/ztmosp4j• Working Scientifically - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zsg6m39• |
| Revision Resources | <p>Useful revision resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Knowledge organisers• Exercise book and resources from class• Websites: BBC Bitesize - see above, there are also good YouTube videos on most topics now• www.kerboodle.com (Log in can be provided by class teacher) - the class textbooks are available on this site |

Year 8 - Mathematics: non calculator

Summer 2024

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| Topics to revise | Algebra | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equations – Solving Equations • Manipulation – Simplifying, expanding brackets, factorising • Graphs – Equations of lines, understanding $y = mx + c$ • Inequalities – representing on a number line, solving an inequality |
| | Geometry and Measures | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Angle properties – Angles formed by the intersection of a line with a pair of parallel lines • Bearings • Circles – Area and Circumference of Circles (Reminder: this is a non-calculator paper) |
| | Probability | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Probability – Finding the probability of an event happening, and not happening |
| | Retrieval Topics from the Autumn Term (some of which will link with the topics above in questions) | |
| Number | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calculations with the four operations • Calculating with fractions • Percentages • Prime Factorisation, including finding the HCF and LCM | |
| Geometry and Measures | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-ordinates – reading and plotting • Properties of quadrilaterals | |
| Ratio and Proportion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharing a quantity in a given ratio • Linking ratio to proportion (percentages) • Simplifying • Direct proportion | |
| Statistics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bar charts • Mean, Median, Mode and Range • Two-way tables | |
| Revision Resources | <p>Useful revision resources</p> <p>Websites</p> <p>Sparx - https://www.sparxmaths.uk/student/</p> <p>Corbett Maths – https://corbettmaths.com/</p> <p>GCSEPod - https://www.gcsepod.com/</p> <p>Seneca Learning - https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/</p> <p>BBC Bitesize Learning - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/z8sg6fr</p> <p>Third Space Learning - https://thirdspacelearning.com/secondary-resources/</p> | |

Year 8 Religious Studies

Summer 2024

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| Topics to revise | <p>Year 8- Inspirational people (What does it mean to be inspirational? Who is Ghandi? Who is Rosa Parks? Who is Martin Luther King? Who is Emmeline Pankhurst? Who is Oscar Romero?)</p> <p>Year 8- What does it mean to be part of the Hindu community? (Hindu God and Goddesses, Life after Death, Places of Worship, Puja, Festivals and Pilgrimage)</p> <p>Year 8- How do we make moral decisions? (Natural moral law, Holy Books, Forgiveness, Situation Ethics, Animal rights)</p> <p>Year 7- Christianity (How did Christianity begin? Who is Jesus? What is the Bible? What are the different Christian denominations? What are the key festivals in Christianity? What does it mean to be part of the Christian community?)</p> <p>Year 7- Community (What is a community? What unites and divides a community? What are my rights and responsibilities in my community? Who is my neighbour?)</p> |
| Revision Resources | <p>Your religious studies exercise book</p> <p>Online knowledge organisers</p> <p><u>BBC bitesize</u></p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z4tb4wx/articles/zk4fxyc</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjkj382/articles/z4fwy9q</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zd8fv9q/articles/zh7kdxs</p> |

Year 8 Geography Summer 2024

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| Topics to revise | <p>There will be some Year 7 Retrieval questions included on volcanoes and renewable energy.</p> <p><u>Year 8 Topics:</u></p> <p>Tourism Holiday types, growth of tourism, Spain, ecotourism, extreme tourism, impacts of tourism</p> <p>Coasts Waves, erosion, erosional landforms, coastal flooding event, hard & soft engineering</p> <p>Population Growth Global population, urbanisation, DTM, migration, Mexico-USA migration, megacities</p> <p>Tectonics Plate tectonics, plate boundaries, types of volcano, volcano case study (Calbuco)</p> |
| Revision Resources | <p>Useful revision resources: Your three Year 8 Knowledge Organisers from the Autumn, Spring and Summer terms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcmfb9q Tourism• https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z6bd7ty Coasts• https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zg7nvcw Population• https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zn476sq Tectonics |

Year 8 History

Summer 2024

Topics to revise

1. Peasants Revolt
2. English Civil War
3. Cromwell
4. Charles II
5. The Middle Passage
6. How Britain got an Empire
7. Why Britain wanted an Empire

Revision Resources

Useful revision resources:

- Knowledge organiser
- Exercise book
- Websites :

Peasants' Revolt - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zyb77yc>

English Civil War -

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zk4cwmn/articles/zxxgg7h>

Cromwell/Charles II -

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zk4cwmn/articles/zg6ccmn#z9n88hv>

Slave Trade - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z2qj6sg>

British Empire - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zpju3j6#zk9k8hv>

Year 8 French

Summer 2024

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| Topics to revise | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Holiday locations + countries• Sports (types of sport and how often)• TV genres and opinions• Music genres and opinions• Phones/technology• Risks of the internet• Types of food• Recognising verbs in the past tense |
| Revision Resources | Useful revision resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Knowledge organisers (all three terms)• Exercise book(s)• Websites:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ https://www.languagenut.com/en-gb/○ https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjx947h/articles/z4xjrj6 |

Year 8 Spanish Summer 2024

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| Topics to revise | Town: Places in a town, Activities in a town, descriptions of a town. Food: Food and drinks, traditional Spanish dishes/tapas, opinions on food Holidays: past tense key verbs (went etc) places, transport, accommodation. TV, Films & cinema: genres of programs and films, opinions Technology: what we use a mobile phone for eg. Download music Instruments: different types of instruments Shopping: types of shops Clothes: different clothes, uniform, colours |
| Revision Resources | Useful revision resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Knowledge organisers (all three terms)• Exercise book(s)• Websites:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ https://www.languagenut.com/en-gb/○ https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjx947h/articles/z4xjrj6 |

Section 3: Revision top tips

Get organised!

- Put the assessment dates in your calendar on your phone.
- Make a realistic revision timetable:
 - About 30 minutes per day
 - Specific activities to learn specific things e.g. flash cards to remember definitions of key words about Power in History.
- Have your books, knowledge organisers and other revision resources ready.

Be active!

Making your notes look pretty is a nice thing to do, but that alone won't help you learn. You need to do something active with the information you're trying to remember.

The best active revision techniques:

- Make good flashcards: Click [here](#) and [here](#) for more information
- Use a graphic organiser: Click [here](#) for more information and templates
- Some expert advice [here](#)
- Test yourself – it takes effort to remember something and this helps to strengthen your memory. Test with your friends. Give your notes to someone at home and get them to test you!

Top tips!

- **Help yourself:** Make a dedicated revision space, studying in tidy surroundings will help you concentrate. If you can't do this at home, you can use the library after school every day of the week.
- **Challenge yourself:** people spend too much time revising what they know because it feels comfortable. Concentrate on the topics you struggle with first, it's harder, but worth it.
- **Reward yourself:** do something you really enjoy after revising. This will help motivate you to get it done!
- **Relax:** Feeling anxious? Follow this [link](#) for some expert advice or speak to your teachers. Please don't worry in silence!