Summative Assessment in Science (li	ist summative assessments in KS3 and KS4)
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Assessment	Essential Component	Why is this essential	Misconceptions Often	What are the	Why is this an
	Knowledge	knowledge?	Addressed	essential skills?	essential skill?
 Yr 7 assessment 1 Variables 	 The difference between IV, DV and CV 	Knowledge needed for GCSE exams need to know dependant and independent variables.	Control variables=fair test	Identifying variables	Variables will be referred to throughout the science curriculum.
• Y7 Assessment 2 Exam	• Forces, matter, cells, variables.	Will be developed in Yr 8 and KS4 pupils need to be able to label a cell and draw accurate force diagrams.	Nucleus is the 'brain' of the cell. Width v length of force arrows, gaps between particles in matter.	Taking accurate readings, analysing information, consolidating information to draw conclusions.	KS4 knowledge is dependent on an understanding of them.
• Yr 7 assessment 3 Methods	Investigation skills	Pupils need to be able to write a bullet pointed method and identify errors in methods.	Bullet point methods	Writing a concise method	There are 6 mark questions based on the ability to write an accurate method.
• Y7 Assessment 4 exam	Reproduction, light and sound, interdependence, structure of the earth. Space	Key information that will be tested throughout years 8-11. Will be developed in yr 8 and KS4	Sound is faster than light,	Analysing information	Science depends upon the ability to analyse findings.

• Y8 Assessment 1 Investigation errors	The different types of error that can occur in an investigation.	Pupils need to be able to identify reasons for errors in investigations.	Use term fair test instead of control variables.	Identify errors.	Pupils have to be able to identify the source of an error.
• Y8 Assessment 2 Exam	Forces, elements, photosynthesis	Pupils need to be able to understand the language of exams, so they need to be subjected to different styles of exam question.	Size of force arrows, reactions,	Read questions carefully, recall key facts and analyse data.	Pupils need to be able to answer questions in an exam environment. To prepare them for GCSE.
Yr 8 Assessment 3 Investigation method	To be able to write a method in a structured format.	Need to write a method in GCSE.	Need for detail in the instructions.	Write clear instructions in a logical sequence.	Pupils will be asked questions at GCSE that require them to be able to write a step by step method.
Yr 8 assessment 4 Analysis	Investigation skills analysing results.	Need to analyse data when answering exam questions.	Do not describe the pattern of the results.	Read questions carefully, recall key facts and analyse data.	Data analysis is important when making decisions.

Yr 8 assessment 5 Exam	Evolution, magnetism, digestion, reactions, periodic table, waves, heating and cooling.	Knowledge will be developed at GCSE	Mix up explain and describe	Read questions carefully, recall key facts and analyse data	Pupils need to be able to answer questions in an exam environment. To prepare them for GCSE.
Year 9 Biology Assessment 1	The essential component of the assessment is to explore the key structures and function of organelles in a cell (animal and plant).	Organelles are contained within a cell studying these through microscopic techniques. Fundamental knowledge for GCSE Biology.	Unit conversions in magnification calculations.	Read questions carefully, graph analysis, Math in Science	To analyse the differences between animal and plant cells
Year 9 Biology Assessment 2	The key component of this assessment is to examine how substance are transported in and out of a cell.	Pupils need to be able discuss the three key forms of cell transportation: diffusion, osmosis and active transport. Pupils will build upon this throughout the GCSE content, for example photosynthesis.	Osmosis is associated with water only. Impact of surface area to volume ration on cell transportation.	Read questions carefully, graph analysis, discussion on 6 mark questions	To understand the process of how substance move in and out of cells in both animals and plants.

Year 9 Biology Assessment 3	The key component of this assessment is to identify how cells divide (the process) and why they divide.	Pupils will need to understand how cells divide through mitosis to form identical cells. They will need to recall where stem cells are formed, to discuss the use of stem cells and the ethics associated. This will then form a key understanding for the future topic of reproduction and genetics.	Therapeutic cloning methods.	Read questions carefully, graph analysis, discussion on 6 mark questions	To understand the process of how cells replicate and the importance of this.
Year 9 Biology- End of year 9 Assessment	Cell Biology and Organisation (part of the topic)	Pupils will need to recall and apply to the exam question the topics of: the cell structure, cell transport, cell division, digestive system, respiratory system, circulatory system, plant organisation.	Graph interpretation skills. Ethics of stem cells.	Read questions carefully, graph analysis, discussion on 6 mark questions	Examined at GCSE
Year 9 Chemistry Assessment 1	Atom structure Sub – atomic particle/properties Electron configuration Ions and isotopes	Basic fundamental knowledge for GCSE chemistry	Location of protons, neutrons and electrons.	Interpretation and analysis	It affects total numbers of sub- atomic particles and atom properties. It

	Atoms, bonding and moles				enables pupils to distinguish between the atomic and electronic structures
Year 9 Chemistry Assessment 2	Separation techniques How science work Periodic table trends and pattern	Prediction of properties of elements Prediction reactions leads to more chemical reactions	Mix up group 1 and 7 reactivity trends How the elements are ordered. Distillation is based on boiling points	Identification of atoms/ions/isotopes	Pupils are able to see what happens to electrons in Group 1 and group 7 in the formation of ions and this then leads them into lonic bonding and they can then visualise the transfer of electrons If students are able to visualise how many electrons are being transferred to each atom until they gain a full outer shell, they will be able to form formulas from the respective ions by cancelling the positive ions and negative ions

Year 9 Chemistry - Assessment 3 Structure and Bonding	States of matter Ionic Bonding Covalent Bonding Giant Covalent Structures Metallic Bonding	Students before they start should all be able to recall solids liquids and gases as this is the basics of science. Ionic Bonding takes place between metals and non-metals. Covalent bonding takes place between nonmetals pupil see the key types of bonding being applied in real life examples eg table salt, graphite diamond etc Common exam question application question	Pupils get confused when the electrons need to be mentioned when it comes to ionic bonding and when ions need to be mentioned	Identification of what happens to the reactivity between the Group 1 metals and Group 7 non metals. Ionic bonding metals donate electrons and nonmetals gain electrons Ionic bonds are held together by strong electrostatic forces of attraction Ionic compounds conduct electricity when molten or in solution as ions are free to move Covalent bonds are extremely strong and require lots of energy to break	Covalent compounds pupils will become familiarised with the molecular and displayed formula, and this will help in organic chemistry in Year 11 and beyond if students pursue a career in chemistry
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				are present in simple covalent molecules Giant covalent structures and properties	
Year 9 Chemistry • End of year assessment	Separation techniques How science works Periodic table trends and pattern States of matter Ionic Bonding Covalent Bonding Giant Covalent Structures Metallic Bonding	Will be built upon in the following chemistry units	Mix up group 1 and 7 reactivity trends How the elements are ordered. Distillation is based on boiling points Pupils get confused when the electrons need to be mentioned when it comes to ionic bonding and when ions need to be mentioned	Recall information, calculations, information analysis. Data interpretation	Draw and explain the different types of bonding.

•	Year 9 Physics Assessment 1 - Energy	The different types of energy, how it is transferred, how it is made and how it is lost.	Pupils need to be able to identify energy transfers and calculate the efficiency. They need to be able to recall sources of energy and assess their suitability.	Energy changes, open and closed systems	Energy Calculations, analysing information	Pupils need to be able to make informed choices on energy efficient products
•	Year 9 Physics Assessment 2 - radiation	What alpha beta and gamma radiation is made up of and the properties of each.	Pupils need to be able to use the knowledge of alpha beta and gamma radiation to describe and explain results.	Number of half-lives, radiation is from the atom not the nucleus.	calculate radioactive decay, analyse data on radioactive substances.	Need to be able to calculate the half - life of a substance and select the appropriate isotope for a given use e.g. medical tracer.
•	Year 9 End of Year Assessment	Energy and radiation	Pupils need to be able to use their knowledge to apply it to new situations.	How to re arrange equations	Recall information, calculations, information analysis.	Pupils need to be able to use information to apply their knowledge to answer G.C.S.E. questions.

Year 10 Biology Assessment 1	The essential component of this assessment is to explore the different systems that form the human organism.	To understand the key principles of the following systems; digestive, circulatory, respiratory. Pupils need to apply this to explain the system adaptations.	The differences between the xylem and phloem. Difficulty linking the process of transpiration to novel scenarios. Inaccurate food tests associated.	Recall key content, develop explanations in 6 mark questions, particularly surrounding adaptations of the respiratory and digestive system.	Applying the essential knowledge of each system to a novel question.
Year 10 Biology Assessment 2	The essential component of this assessment is to examine to four key pathogens that cause disease.	Pupils need to understand how pathogens make us ill; how we are infected and how we can prevent infection. Pupils need to be able to recall the four main pathogens; bacteria, virus, fungal and protist, and the associated diseases. Following on from this pupils need to understand the process of how vaccines are made and work to prevent viral diseases.	Key misconception is incorrect process of making vaccines.	Accurate graph analysis of data, describing and explaining the results. Clear key words utilised in 6 mark questions.	Pupils need to make informed decision of the appropriate treatment in terms of the infection.

					
07	The essential	Pupils need to recall the	The correct reactants	Analysis of results in	
Assessment 3	component of this	key word equations for	and products for the	the forms of graphs	To understand two
	assessment is to	the bioenergetic	word equations.	and results tables	key metabolic
	examine the two	reactions in plants and	The impact of limiting	and applying this to	reactions in plants
	metabolic processes of	animals. They need to	factors for	both reactions;	and animals, which
	photosynthesis and	understand in detail	photosynthesis.	respiration and	are seen throughout
	respiration.	both processes:		photosynthesis.	the GCSE Biology
		photosynthesis and		Recalling key	content.
		respiration. Pupils need		Scientific methods	
		to apply this knowledge		for associated	
		to varying topics in		required practicals.	
		Biology, such as how do		Recall the word	
		we test for the products		equations.	
		in the reactions			
		(organisation).			
Year 10 Biology		Pupils need to know the	Recalling the key	Retrieve	
Assessment 4	The essential	key principles of the	hormones in the	information, discuss	Pupils need to
Assessment 4	component of this	nervous system and	menstrual cycle, such as	ethical situations	evaluate key
	assessment is to explore	endocrine system.	FSH and their effects on	particularly for	scenarios and apply
	how human maintain	Pupils need to discuss	the human body.	infertility	to situations
.	their internal systems;	the reproductive	the human body.	treatments. Recall	
	nervous and endocrine.	system, with reference		methods for	
		to the menstrual cycle.		required practicals.	
		Pupils need to evaluate		Analyse the	
		the uses of		menstrual cycle	
		contraceptive methods		graph.	
		and treatment of		P. 4411	
		infertility.			

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Year 10 Chemistry -	Quantitative Chemistry	Students need to be	Pupils multiply the RAM	Mol equations	
Assessment 1	eg moles, RFM and	able to rearrange	instead of adding.	Calculation of RFM	Being able to use the
	conservation of mass	equations as this works		Finding unknown	mole equation leads
	Rearranging equations	in coherence with		masses using moles	to pupil being able to
	Balancing equations	physics and therefore it		from an equation	carry out titrations
		becomes necessary to		Using the	as well as
		learn how to do this		concentration	calculations involving
				equation	limiting reagents
					Getting students
					used to using the
					calculation for
					equations is a
					necessity for any
					mathematical exam
Voor 10 Chamistry	How Science works	Doing able to plan a	Students tend to get	Mord and symbol	
Year 10 Chemistry		Being able to plan a	Students tend to get	Word and symbol	
Assessment 2-	Reactions of Metals in	method is fundamental	confused what is a base	equations for	It enables pupils to
Chemical Changes 10	Acid and water	when it comes to a	and how it is categorised	reactions between	make links and
	Reaction of Insoluble	GCSE chemistry exam	into insoluble bases and	Metal + Water	identify patterns
	bases in Acid	Getting used to these	alkalis	Metal + Acid	when other metals
	Reaction of Acids and	different reactions	Ionic equations and how	Acid + Bases	or acid may be used
	Alkalis		oxidation and reduction	Acid + Alkali	and how its similar
	Displacement reactions		occur at the same time.		and different
	Strength and		Muddle identifying		Pupils can see how
	concentration of acids		reduction and		different metals in
			oxidisation of species.		the reactivity series
					can be extracted via
					different techniques.
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Year 10 Chemistry Assessment 3 CHRISTMAS EXAM 10	Summary of C1 C2 and C3	Basic fundamental knowledge for GCSE chemistry	Sub-atomic locations Ion charge Rules of electron configuration	Identification of atoms/ions/isotopes	Method writing and being able to identify hazards in this experiment Pupils need to be able to use information to apply their knowledge to answer G.C.S.E. questions.
Year 10 Chemistry - Assessment 4 Electrolysis 10	Electrolysis of Ionic Compounds Formation of gas or metal at the electrodes when using Copper chloride and sodium chloride Electrolysis for the extraction of aluminium	Shows how lonic compounds can conduct electricity as lons are free to move and what happens at the electrodes	Students tend to get confused on which Ion moves to which electrode Students not making the link to the reactivity series table for the positive ions and periodic table for the negative ions	Identification of products at anode and cathode Half equations at anode and cathode	It enables pupils to see the movement of electrons and see what becomes oxidised and reduced which then makes the link back to previous work on lonic equations

Year 10 Chemistry Assessment 5 Energy Changes	Exothermic and Endothermic reactions Reaction profiles of exothermic and endothermic graphs Bond energy calculations	Enables students to interpret graphs Able to draw graphs with correct labelling of the axis	Students tend to find it difficult understanding as to why exothermic releases heat, but temperature goes up and vice versa for endothermic	Ability to draw reaction profile curves Ability to state whether a reaction is exothermic or endothermic Carry out bond energy calculations	Students will be able to use the skills obtained in other subjects, so this is helping whole school in terms of interpreting and drawing graphs
Year 10 Chemistry Assessment 6 calculations	How the mole equation enables the building of more complex calculations.	RFM is common start for most chemical calculations Balancing equations/limiting reactants applicable in industrial reactions	Need to use method for balancing equations. If not done correctly may not be able to answer question.	Mol equations Calculation of RFM Finding unknown masses using moles from an equation identification of limiting reactant	Being able to use the mole equation leads to pupil being able to carry out titrations as well as calculations involving limiting reagents Getting students used to using the calculation for equations is a necessity for any mathematical exam question. High percentage of calculation/math- based questions in chemistry papers

• Year 10 Physics Assessment 1 Electricity	What the flow of electricity is and how it can be changed.	A knowledge of current and potential difference are needed to calculate fuses and use electricity safely	Current and potential difference are the same. High resistance results in low current.	Calculations of current, potential difference, resistance and charge.	They can use this to calculate the size of a fuse for an appliance to be used safely. Pupils can identify unsafe electrical features.
• Year 10 Physics Assessment 2 Christmas exam	Energy, radioactivity, electricity	Examined on paper 1 of the physics papers	How resistance changes in different components	Recall information, complete calculations, analyse information	Practices exam technique in preparation for GCSE's
• Year 10 Physics Assessment 3 Molecules and matter	The characteristics of the particles in solids, liquids and gases	Pupils need to use this knowledge to work out how particles change state	That particles in a gas are not touching	Recall information, complete calculations, analyse information	Pupils need to be able to use the skills to analyse information in exam questions

					Preparation for the GCSE exam. Enable them to identify
 Assessment 5 Year 10 Physics Mock Exam 	Paper 1 content	Examined on paper 1 of the physics papers	Structure of liquids. Re arranging equations. Energy conversions.	Recall information, complete calculations, analyse information	Pupils need to be able to use information to apply their knowledge to answer G.C.S.E. questions.
• Year 10 Physics Assessment 6 Forces	What the arrows in a force diagram represent and how balanced and unbalanced forces affect motion.	Need to be able to use the knowledge to analyse force diagrams	If forces are balanced the object is not moving. The thickness of the arrow represents the size.	To identify the sizes of forces and relate them to motion. Use graphs and equations to calculate speed.	Pupils need to be able to use forces to assess stopping distances and safety of roads and cars.
Year 11 Biology Assessment 1	The essential component is to comprehend how we inherit our genes and the impacts this can have on our DNA, including the influence of evolution.	Pupils need to be able to discuss how cells reproduce via mitosis and meiosis, linking back to the cell division topic (year 9). Pupils need to explore DNA; its structure and discovery, how this impact our genetics, such as	The difference between selective breeding and genetic engineering. Formulating a Punnett square from a novel scenario.	To be able to read questions carefully, develop answers clearly, recall key terms and their definitions, apply the core knowledge.	Pupils must be able to form a Punnett square from their knowledge and identify genetic inheritance from such.

		genetic disorders. Pupils need to understand how and why we have developed genetics screening, selective breeding, cloning and the ethics associated with such. Pupils need to learn the origins of the species and the theory of natural selection (evolution).			
Year 11 Biology Assessment 2	The essential component is to understand how organisms relate to one another and their for ever changing environment (Ecology).	Pupils must understand how and why organisms are distributed through the environment. Pupils must apply their working Scientifically knowledge to sample a population. Pupils will learn how species are adapted for their environment, particularly in terms of survival of the fittest (linking back to the evolution topic). Pupils will understand the impacts of humans on biodiversity, e.g.	The difference between abiotic and biotic factors. The term biomass and how energy is lost in feeding relationships.	To be able to read questions carefully, interpret and analyse data, to understand key terms and apply to core knowledge.	Pupils need to analyse pyramids of biomass. They need to make informed decisions on how strategies impact biodiversity.

		population explosion and pollution, and how we can create and maintain a sustainable environment for all species.			
Year 11 Biology Assessment 3 Mock exam	Paper 2 exam	Examined on paper 1 of the Biology paper	Drawing graphs	Drawing graphs, data analysis. Recalling key terms and definitions	Pupils need to be able to use information to apply their knowledge to answer G.C.S.E. questions.
• Year 11 Chemistry Assessment 1	Factors that affect the rate of reaction Collision theory What are reversible reactions and how it links into dynamic equilibrium	Pupils can see similarities and differences in their answers for the collision theory depending on which factor is being used and is vital for exam practice	That a catalyst does not have any impact on the position of equilibrium The movement of equilibrium symbol when the temperature changes and being able to describe what is happening	Essential calculating the rate of reaction from a graph and simple calculations Essential to see how Le Chateliers' principle affects the position of equilibrium symbol	Ability to use tangents is an essential mathematical skill Will help students construct their answers in a more logical way using SPAG

 Year 11 Chemistry Assessment 2 crude oil and fuels 	Describe how crude oil is formed The two different categories of Hydrocarbons To see the difference in reactivity between alkanes and alkenes and the names for the common hydrocarbons Fractional Distillation Combustion of hydrocarbons	Delves into many application areas of chemistry and leads pupils onto organic chemistry which is a massive sector of chemistry	What the difference between saturated and unsaturated hydrocarbons are Explanation behind Fractional Distillation	Essential knowing the common alkanes and alkenes Essential knowing the formula for alkanes and alkenes	Being able to draw displayed and molecular formulas is essential for the development of a pupil in chemistry Key chemical skills in terms of the extraction of crude oil via cracking as it allows pupils to see how fuel is produced
• Year 11 Chemistry Assessment 2	Climate Change Chromatography Gas Tests	Greenhouse effect common exam questions in chemistry and geography When doing practical's pupils can instantly see what gas is produced	Greenhouse effect and how it warms the atmosphere If there is a low amount of CO ₂ , then why is it an issue for Global Warming	Essential knowing the factors that cause climate change and the consequences that occur from climate change Essential knowing the gas tests	It enables pupils to write detailed analysis on any factors of climate change as there are several long exam style written questions
Year 11 Chemistry Assessment 3	Water Treatment	How potable water is obtained		Essential knowing the stages to obtain potable water	Pupils can answer any questions regarding the removal of solid

			What two ways can we obtain potable water when there is salty water present or when there is no salty water present How wastewater is treated	Difference between Distillation and Reverse Osmosis as both achieve the same goal but through different means What is aerobic digestion and anaerobic digestion	Essential to know the methods regarding the two RP Essential to be able to write evaluations regarding LCA Essential to know the difference between Phytomining and bioleaching	particles or the requirement of sterilisation Be able to write a comparative study in Exam style questions of any objects
•	Year 11 Physics Assessment 1- Waves	The properties of longitudinal and transverse waves	Pupils need to use this knowledge to identify waves and anticipate how they will behave in different situations	Sound travels faster than light because they hear thunder before they see lightening.	To identify the sizes of forces and relate them to motion. Use graphs and equations to calculate speed.	Pupils need to be able to use forces to assess stopping distances and safety of roads and cars.
•	Year 11 Physics assessment 2 - electromagnetism	The pattern and effects of a magnetic field.	Pupils need to be able to use this knowledge to predict how magnets react together and the direction a current will flow within a wire.	Left hand rule (don't know which is their left hand)	To be able to read a diagram and interpret information from it.	Pupils need to be able to apply the forces of magnetism to a number of situations

 Year 11 Physics Assessment 3 Paper 2 mock exam 	Paper 2 exam content, forces, waves, electromagnetism	Knowledge needs to be applied to answer exam question	Mix up the electromagnetic spectrum. Unit conversions.	Recall information, complete calculations, analyse information	Pupils need to be able to use information to apply their knowledge to answer G.C.S.E. questions.
Year 11 assessment 4 – Paper 1 mock exam	Paper 1 exam content Energy, radioactivity, molecules of matter, electricity	Knowledge needs to be applied to answer exam questions	Structure of liquids. Re arranging equations. Energy conversions.	Recall information, complete calculations, analyse information	Pupils need to be able to use information to apply their knowledge to answer G.C.S.E. questions.

What happens following an assessment to address pupil misconceptions and reteaching of essential knowledge?

Time is built into the curriculum after a test for the re-teaching of essential knowledge where necessary and to address common misconceptions. Individual misconceptions are addressed on feedback sheets.

Formative Assessment in Science

Questioning, retrieval practice, class debates, assessment of written work, whiteboards.

Feedback and Acting on Feedback (should be on the most valuable thing)

Green pen corrections, MRI section completed on the assessment label, or within the work. spellings corrected; pupils improve their answers in the lesson following the assessment.

Pupils fill in an analysis sheet after their test to celebrate what knowledge is secure but to identify where they need to improve, they then set targets for themselves on how to improve.