

Independent Study

In Business you should...



1. After each lesson

Use your theory notes or printed resources to consolidate learning in the classroom.

Review your notes taken in class and email any questions you have to your teacher or make a note of them so that they can be discussed in forthcoming lessons.

2. Weekly

Complete all homework tasks set. These may be a combination of online learning tasks, research tasks, past exam questions via ExamPro and tasks to further your understanding of key concepts learnt in class.

In addition, you should create revision cards with key terms, definitions and formulae from the week's lessons. By creating them as you go along, this will be hugely beneficial in the run up to mock exams and external exams.

3. Fortnightly

Review your notes from the previous fortnight and condense them into a single page of notes with key terminology, ideas, concepts and any formulae needed. You should also begin creating revision mind maps from each unit. These should contain essential information such as definitions, concepts, advantages and disadvantages, key calculations.

You will be issued with blank unit-specific knowledge organisers. You should complete these with the learning from the previous fortnight. They will be reviewed towards the end of every unit and therefore to avoid a last-minute cram and unnecessary workload issues, you should complete them as you go.

Read at least one news article on one of the following websites to get an understanding of what is going on in the economy at present.

- BBC Business news
- Guardian Business news
- Twitter: NHSGBusiness, Tutor2u
- The financial times
- Any newspaper business section

4. Termly

Regularly revise topics covered in lessons and review previous units. You may choose to read through your condensed fortnightly notes. Complete knowledge organisers to the best of your ability.

Use the theory on Seneca to test your understanding and ascertain any areas for further development.

<https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/seneca-certified-resources/business-a-level-aqa/>

5. Throughout the year

Get used to the AQA A Level Business and Tutor2U websites. You will find examples of past papers, key theory and useful resources to further supplement your learning.

- <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/business/as-and-a-level/business-7131-7132/subject-content>
- <https://ondemand.tutor2u.net/students/introduction-to-aqa-a-level-business-getting-started>

Watch relevant business studies programmes. Here are some examples:

- Tricky Business - <https://www.channel4.com/programmes/tricky-business> (4OD)
- Beauty Laid Bare - BBC IPlayer <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p0811bd7/beauty-laid-bare-series-1-1-the-industry>
- The True Cost - Netflix
- Steve Jobs – Billion-dollar Hippy - Netflix
- Broken – Episode on IKEA - Netflix
- Inside Cadbury chocolate secrets unwrapped - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BB3JJuMNUEk>

Listen to topic specific podcasts. Listen Notes has some fantastic listens and are useful for revisiting GCSE material as well as the A Level content.

<https://www.listennotes.com/podcasts/revise-a-level-business-revision-seneca-uc5pwRC4eQn/#podcast>

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