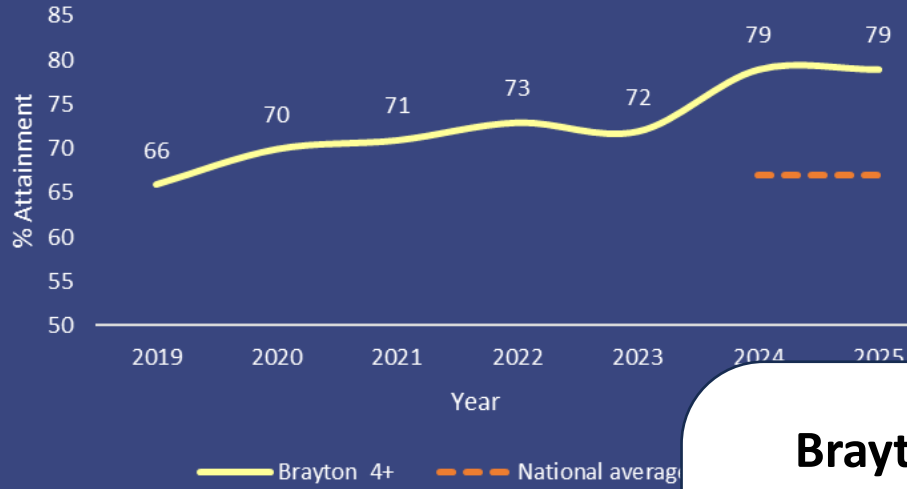


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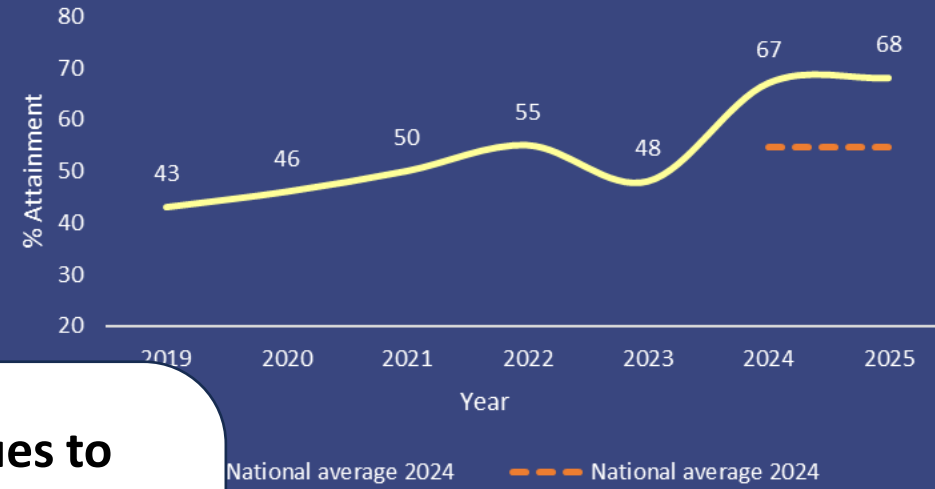
- GCSE mock exams
- GCSE external exams
- Information on how to revise and prepare for the exams



English and Maths 4+

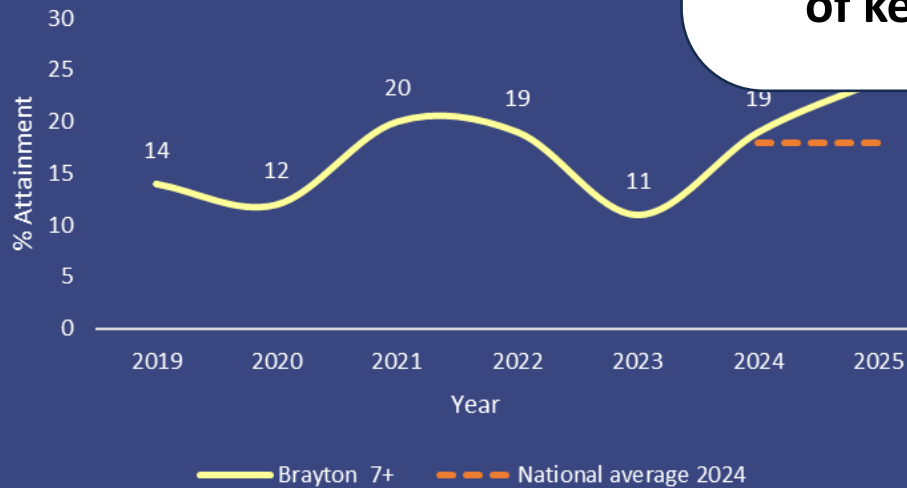


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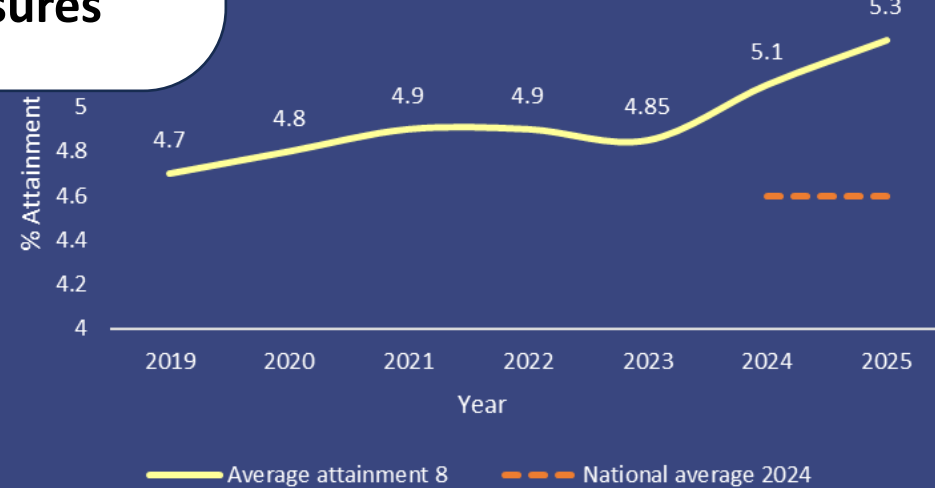


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English and Maths 7+



Attainment 8



How do we achieve this?



Our staff

- Excellent teachers – research informed pedagogy
- Expert subject knowledge
- Trained examiners
- Consistent use of Positive Discipline
- Supportive
 - Subject teacher
 - Form tutor
 - Head of Year – Mr Nodder
 - SENDCO – Mrs Turnbull
 - SLT

Our students

- Excellent attendance and punctuality
- Excellent behaviour and positive attitude to learning
- Work hard and give 100% effort
- Attend p7s and other intervention sessions such as Prep Room, holiday sessions etc.

COMMITMENT
Your commitment to you and your future

The EXAMS

CORE SUBJECTS

Maths

English language

English Literature

Science (Combined or Triple)

French or Travel and Tourism

Geography or History

OPTION SUBJECTS

Art, Business Studies, DT Materials, DT Food, PE, Sociology,
RE, Music.

**Most Year 11
students will sit 22+
exams..**

It's a lot !

Examinations in Year 11

Mock Exams

w/c 29th September 2025 French Speaking Tests

w/c 6th and 13th October 2025 ALL subjects

w/c 12th and 19th January 2026 ALL subjects

w/c 26th January 2026 French Speaking Tests

External Examinations

8th May – 15th June 2026 External Exams subjects (dates to be confirmed)

Exam contingency day – 24th June 2026 – STUDENTS MUST BE AVAILABLE.



Please do not book a holiday during the examination period.

Mock Exams

- Take place in the exam hall under exam conditions meeting JCQ regulations
- GCSE style papers / past papers
- Externally marked or moderated.
- Help staff identify gaps in learning which can be addressed in class and during interventions.
- Prepare students for the “real thing”



NEAs

- Non Examination Assessments
- A percentage of the final GCSE in the following subjects:
 - DT Food – 50%
 - DT Materials-50%
 - PE – 40%
 - Art – 100%
- Take place in lessons often under exam conditions.
- Most subjects have started these elements of the course already and students have been working on these over a period of time.
- 100% effort every lesson.
- P7s often used to support these elements

NEA Deadlines 2026

PE	15th March
DT and DT Food	17th April
Art Unit 1	8th May
Art Unit 2	23rd March

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Revision



STUDENT A Does 15 hours of revision a week

- Reading notes and highlighting

STUDENT B Does 10 hours of revision a week

- 2 hours making mind maps from memory
- 2 hours reteaching topics and making flash cards of key terms
- 1 hour memorising flash cards
- 30 minutes quizzing terms with a friend
- 30 minutes discarding key terms she knows
- 3 hours doing timed exam questions
- 30 minutes doing the hardest questions she could find
- 30 minutes going over her response with her teacher to see where she can improve
- 5 hours hanging out with friends

Which student has more success?

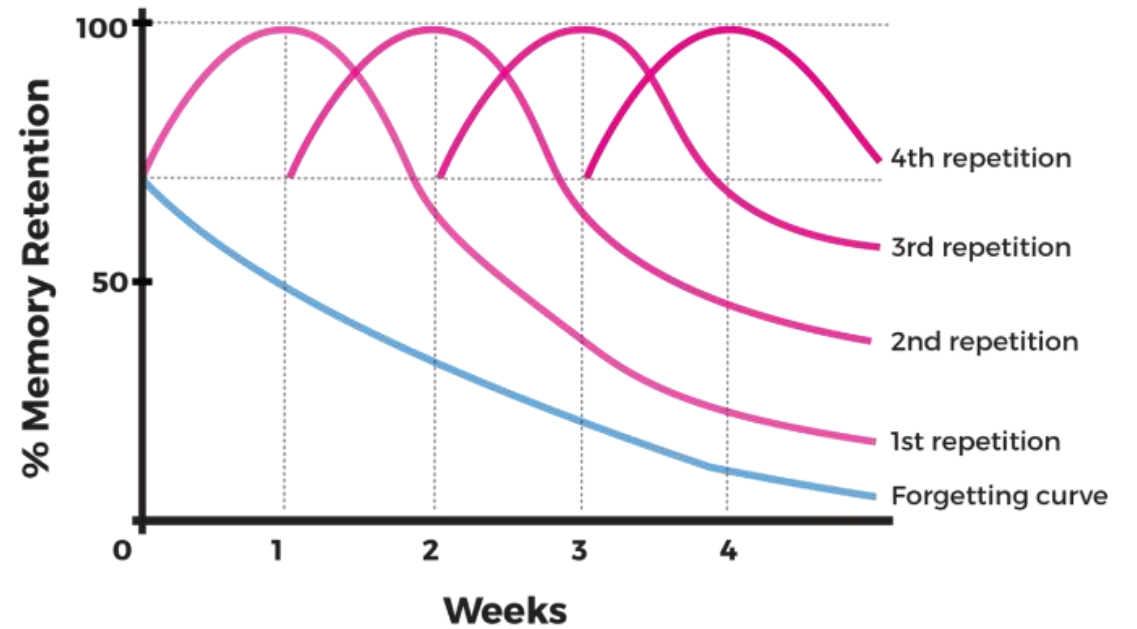


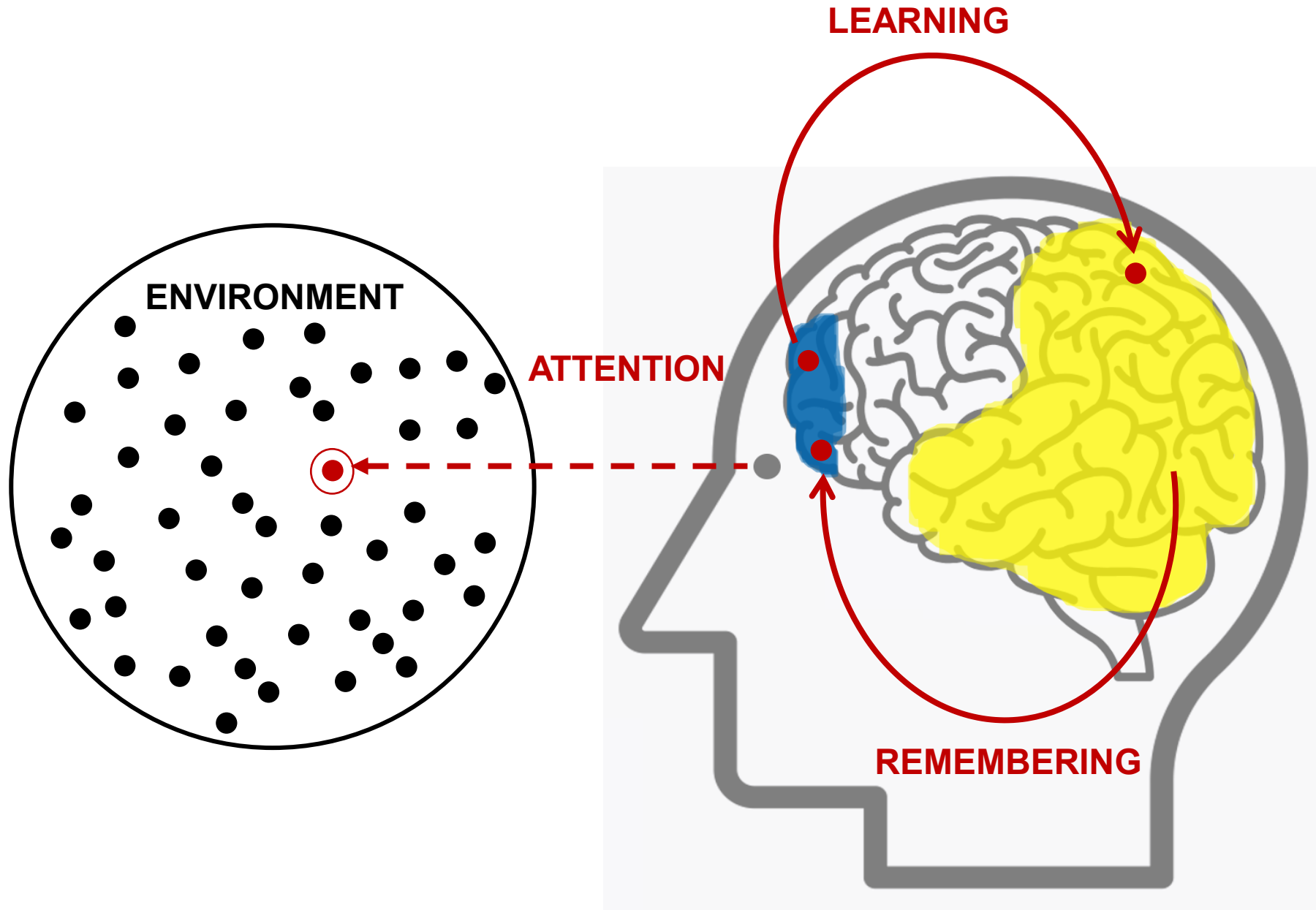
Revision

- Revision support sessions
- Once a week in form time
- Starts Friday 19th September

Curve of Forgetting

For newly learned information





What to do to avoid distractions

- Leave your phone
- To do list or revision timetable to help keep focus
- Avoid noise
- Have a dedicated revision space and time for revising
- Prioritise study time
- Rewards after revision

Content Techniques

- Reading class notes
- Using resources/websites recommended by school
- Using course textbooks/revision guides
- Mind maps/Diagrams
- Flashcards
- Highlighting/colour coding to 'chunk' information



Skills Techniques

- Writing exam answers under timed conditions
- Continuing model answers
- Using past exam questions and planning answers



Feedback Techniques

- Marking your own work to a mark scheme
- Studying mark schemes or examiner reports
- Comparing model answers against your own work
- Handing in extra exam work for marking
- One to one discussions with teachers



revision + practice = success!



How to Revise – Planning and Timetabling

Spacing

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
30	30	30	30	30	Relax!	30
30	30	30	30	30		30

Interleaving

M	T	W	T	F
ENGLISH	GEOGRAPHY	MATHS	SCIENCE	FRENCH
MATHS	FRENCH	SCIENCE	GEOGRAPHY	ENGLISH
SCIENCE	ENGLISH	FRENCH	MATHS	GEOGRAPHY

- Have a really clear idea of what revision you are completing and what topic you are concentrating on.
- Think carefully about what exams are first and then work backwards.
- Build in breaks and when you are at school – but it is now the time to get started.

How can those at home support?

- Ensure revisers have the tools they will need – colour helps to remember, highlighters help to pick out keywords/themes/points, post-it notes are moveable and revision cards are great for keeping topics together
- Revision space
- As well as asking ‘How was your day?’ ask, ‘What are 3 things you’ve learned today?’ or ‘remind me of 3 things you learned yesterday.’
- If you have some paper handy ask your child to write down 3 facts about a particular topic.
- Go over some flashcards and remove a card that has been correctly answered 3 times.
- Remind students of the importance of purposeful practice and feedback.
- Ask them to teach you and test you on something you don't know

How to Revise: Online revision websites



Exam Boards

AQA

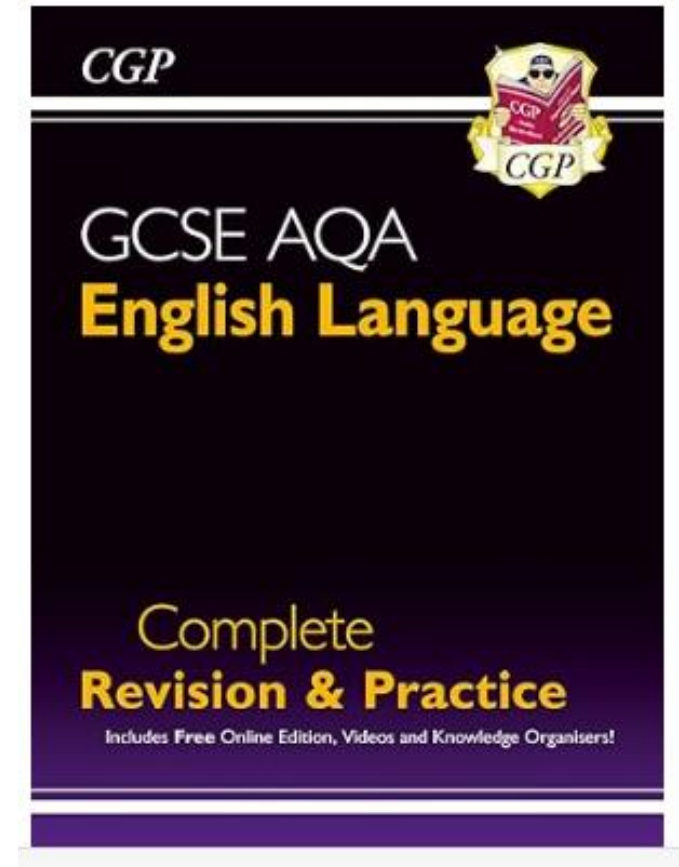
- Art
- D&T
- English
- RE
- Food
- French
- Science

Edexcel

- Business Studies
- Maths

OCR

- Computer Science
- PE



Key Dates

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