



**REVISION**

**PLAN**

**CHEAT SHEET**

**Parent**  
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## The Ultimate Revision Plan

### 1. Plan in the non-negotiables first.

If they've got regular commitments, those go on first. That could be school hours, clubs, time with their gf/bf, part time job, even a favourite TV show. The quickest way to go 'off' a revision plan is if it is interfering with the stuff they really want to do.

If the plan is timed, then make sure they're scheduling revision at the right times. (There's no point in planning to revise at 7am if you're SO not a morning person....)

### 2. 30 minute blocks, max.

If they're 'in the zone', then there's no reason to just stop because it's been 30 minutes, but generally, 30 minutes is recognised as a reasonable amount of time to maintain concentration.

It's actually most effective to block your time out like this, with breaks in between.

### 3. Be specific.

Saying you'll revise 'maths' is probably unhelpful. It's just too vague. Break down each subject into topics to be covered (or let us do that if you join us!), and include the specific topic to be revised on their plan.

### 4. It's about covering all the topics, not about 'time served'.

Have an overview of all the time between now and exams - make sure they've got all the topics covered within that, and leave some room to be flexible. There'll be things they 'get' faster, and things that they need to revisit, so flexibility is important.

### 5. Schedule the tough stuff first.

We start the day with a finite amount of willpower. Once it's gone, it's gone. (Ok, maybe it's not that black and white, but still. That's why snackcidents are much more likely in the evening.) They've got to do the big scary topics (y'know, the ones they hate) first.

Once they're done, everything else seems easier.

**We've done the hard part for you - use our free revision plan generator to get the basics set up in less than 5 minutes!**

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