REVISION IDEAS

Design and Technology GCSE

Examination Board: AQA Course Code:

8552



ASSESSMENTS	LENGTH?	WHEN?	worth?
Non-Examined Assessment The Non-Examined Assessment consists of a 3-dimensional product(s) along with a concise design folio. The contextual challenges will be released annually by AQA in the year prior to the submission of the NEA.	On going through Year 11	March	50%
Examination Papers Section A: A mixture of multiple choice and short answer questions assessing a breadth of technical knowledge and understanding. Section B: Several short answer questions (2–5 marks) and one extended response to assess a more in depth knowledge of technical principles. Section C: A mixture of short answer and extended response questions based on designing and making principles.	2 hours	Summer Year 11	50%

WHAT SORTS OF THINGS DO SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS DO TO REVISE?

- Complete all sections of the CGP Revision Guide workbook provided.
- Revisit and organise theory notes produced during Year 10 and combine with additional materials distributed during revision sessions in Year 11.
- Complete past papers at home—these may be old specification papers— so concentrate on the theory knowledge rather than the design questions.
- Create revision cards, mind maps or posters on a range of topics—dependant on your preferred method of revising.
- Create a list of key technical vocabulary with some definitions. Test yourself on your understanding and ask your teacher if you are unsure.
- Look back at your mock examinations and compare your answers to the AQA mark scheme.

WHERE CAN WE FIND USEFUL ONLINE RESOURCES?

- Download the DT App— http://www.dtapp.info/
- http://www.technologystudent.com
- https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/subjects/zvg4d2p
- Try the quizzes in the 'Focus on' software in the D&T Department software folder on the school network

PLUS...

Lunchtime and Afterschool sessions

NEA Assessment Day — January