

GCSE Maths

MATHEMATICS

is not about numbers, equations, computations, or algorithms: it is about UNDERSTANDING.

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Key points

- GCSE curriculum
- Class work and homework
- Great habits to encourage now

Exam board - AQA

THREE written exams

Paper 1 Non calculator (80 marks)
$$1\frac{1}{2}$$
 hours

Paper 2 Calculator (80 marks)
$$1\frac{1}{2}$$
 hours

Paper 3 Calculator (80 marks)
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 hours

There are 2 tiers of entry, Higher or Foundation. Each tier covers a different range of grades:

Higher 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 Foundation 5 4 3 2 1

Sets 1-4 will study the Higher in Year 10 Set 5/6 will study the Foundation tier. End of year 10: tier of entry reviewed Yr 11 mock exams: further tier review



What to expect in Year 10 and 11

Classwork

- Classwork includes introduction to new areas of maths as well as regular review of past topics
- Lessons will cover
 - Recall & Review starter
 - Fluency in a mathematical topic
 - Problem-solving: how to break down a problem
 - Reasoning: how to explain your method & justify your answer

What you will study

Topic Area	Foundation Tier (%)	Higher Tier (%)
Number	25	15
Algebra	20	30
Ratio	25	20
Geometry	15	20
Probability and statistics (combined)	15	15

In all areas we will initially work on fluency within a topic before developing skills in problem-solving & reasoning, and understanding links between different areas of maths and other curriculum subjects.

Homework

- Homework will be on 'Classcharts'. It will include:
 - Review of area covered in the past in preparation for the next unit of work
 - Practice of topics currently being studied in class
 - Actions to be taken on feedback given by your teacher

Assessments

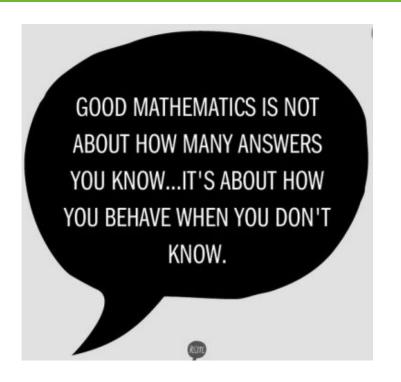
YEAR 10

- Pre-tests to check for gaps
- End of unit tests to assess core skills with feedback provided
- Exam-style assessments w/c
 16 October and 15 April
- Exam feedback PLC linked to www.corbettmaths.com
- Expectation to action weak areas

YEAR 11

- 2 Mock exams November and March
- Exam feedback PLC linked to www.corbettmaths.com
- Expectation to action weak areas

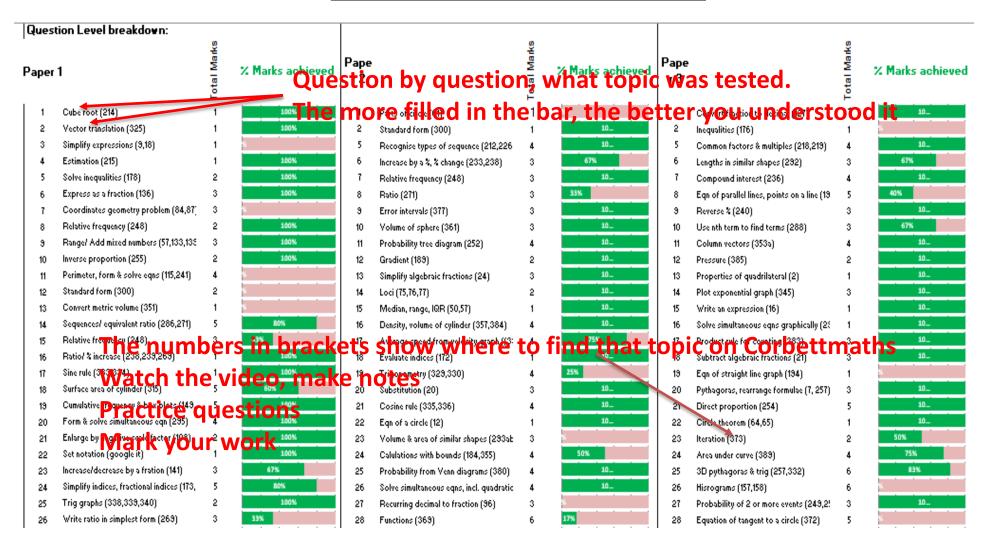




Taking action on feedback given is the best way to improve your maths.



Using an exam feedback PLC

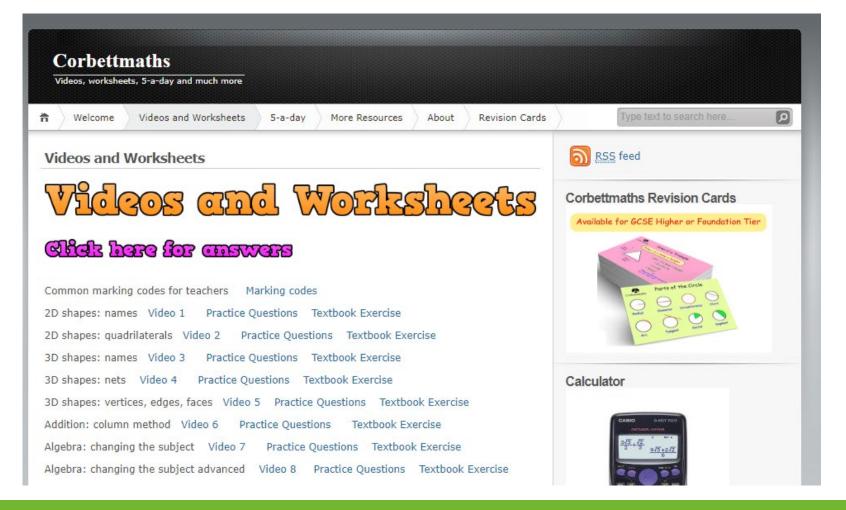


Great habits to encourage now

- Practise revision techniques with homework watch video, make notes, do questions
- Bring a scientific calculator & maths equipment to every lesson
- Work through weak topics on <u>www.corbettmaths.com</u> (identified from feedback sheets or online quizzes)
- Revision using online resources and/or workbooks
- Prepare for all assessments, encourage a revision timetable

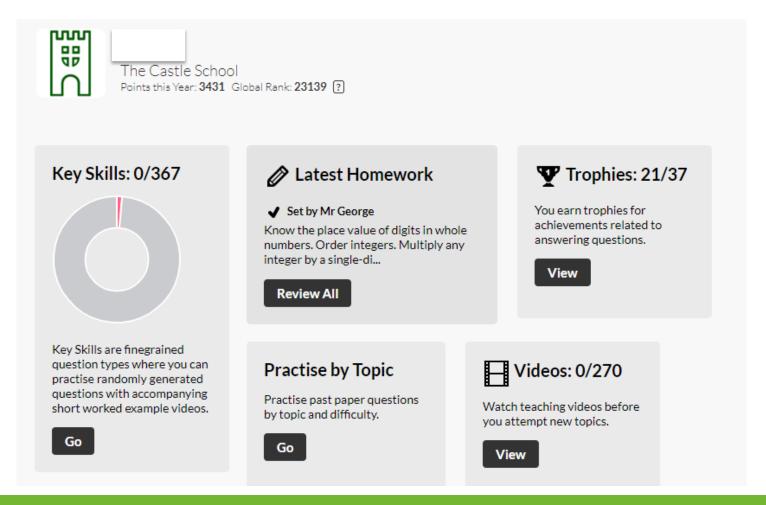


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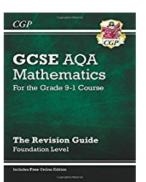
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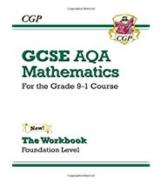


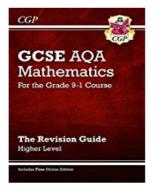


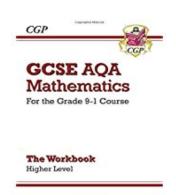
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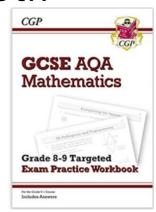
Revision Guides & workbook:£7 for both











Foundation

Higher

Corbettmaths Revision cards





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Casio Scientific Calculator: £9.50

Pencil case with maths equipment: £2





Why study maths?

