

A Level Recommended Course texts 2023-24



All of these are **optional unless stated**. Some subjects have copies of books donated by former students available via the school library. All subjects make materials available through Microsoft Teams to support students in their learning.

We appreciate textbooks can become expensive and would encourage students to look at second hand copies via online auction sites such as eBay or online retailers like Abe books.

Please be aware that the 16-19 bursary exists to support eligible students with the costs associated with studying at Sixth Form. [Full details can be found here.](#)

Subject	Recommended Course Textbook	Amazon Price
Biology	AQA Biology A Level Student Book Toole, G & Toole, S. Oxford 2015 <i>(also available as separate Year 1 and Year 2 Books)</i>	£43.99
	Or New A-Level Biology for AQA: Year 1 & AS Student Book with Online Edition	£15.74
	And New A-Level Biology for AQA: Year 2 Student Book with Online Edition	£15.76
Business	My Revision Notes: Edexcel A-level Business, Andrew Hammond	£16.99
	Or Revise Edexcel AS/A level Business Revision Guide & Workbook	£10.99
Chemistry	AQA Chemistry A Level Student Book Paperback – 23 Jul 2015 by Ted Lister (Author), Janet Renshaw (Author)	£44.99
	Or New A-Level Chemistry for AQA: Year 1 & AS Student Book with Online Edition Paperback – 21 May 2015	£14.74
	And New A-Level Chemistry for AQA: Year 2 Student Book with Online Edition Paperback – 9 Jul 2015	£14.74
Computer Science	AQA AS and A Level Computer Science Paperback – 24 Apr 2016 by P M Heathcote (Author), R SU Heathcote	£32
	NEA Project guide Tackling A-Level Projects in Computer Science	£11
Core Maths	AQA Level 3 Certificate in Mathematical Studies Davis, Heather, Lomax, Steve, Haworth, Anne, Jones, Ruth, Bowman, David, Lambert, Elaine, McCarthy, Deborah	£25
Economics	My Revision Notes: AQA A Level Economics Third Edition David Horner, Steve Stoddard	£17.99
English Literature	Essential texts: Year 12: Any copy of Othello. Link is a suggestion due to the useful notes the version includes.	£8.21
	Any copy of Death of a Salesman. Link is a suggestion, again due to useful notes.	£8.99
	Year 13: The Handmaid's Tale	£6.29
	The Kite Runner	£6.29

	<p>Recommended Texts: A-Level York Notes for the course set texts A-Level CGP study guide for course set texts</p>	
English Language	<p>Suggested texts: English Language A/AS Level for AQA Student Book Revise AQA English Language</p> <p>Year 12 Language and Gender (Cambridge Topics in English Language) Language Diversity and World Englishes (Cambridge Topics in English Language) Text analysis and Representation (Cambridge Topics in English Language)</p> <p>Year 13 Language Change (Cambridge Topics in English Language) Language Development (Cambridge Topics in English Language)</p>	<p>£25.15 7.99</p> <p>£15.03 £15.50 £14.29</p> <p>£15.03 £15.50</p>
French	<p><i>Au revoir les enfants</i> study guide – Amazon <i>No et moi (Dephine de Vigan)</i> – Amazon <i>No et moi</i> study guide – Amazon AQA French A level and AS Grammar & Translation Workbook – Amazon</p>	<p>£12.55 £9.45 £13.99 £9.50</p>
Further Maths	<p>Year 12 Core Pure Further Stats Further Mechanics</p> <p>Year 13 Core Pure 2</p>	<p>£23.69 £23.69 £23.69</p> <p>£23.69</p>
Mandarin	<p>Mandarin - Chinese for Advanced Subsidiary Level – Year 12 and 13. Chinese for AS (Simplified characters) (cypressbooks.com)</p>	<p>£23.70</p>
Music	<p>A level Edexcel Music Anthology Edexcel A level Music Study Guide Edexcel A level Music Revision Guide</p>	<p>£45.89 £19.79 £9.79</p>
Geography	<p>Year 12 Geography for Edexcel A Level Year 1 and AS Student Book (A Level Geography for Edexcel 2016): Amazon.co.uk: Digby, Bob, Adams, Lynn, Chapman, Russell, Hurst, Catherine: 9780198366454: Books AS and A-Level Geography: Edexcel Complete Revision & Practice (with Online Edition) CGP Books</p> <p>Year 13 – Second hand copies can be found online Geography for Edexcel A Level Year 2 Student Book (A Level Geography for Edexcel 2016) : Digby, Bob, Chapman, Russell, Cowling, Dan, Sampson, Simon: Amazon.co.uk: Books</p>	<p>£32.50</p> <p>£21.99</p> <p>£32.75</p>
Health and Social Care	<p>Main Textbook for all units – Pearson BTEC National Health and Social Care Student Book 1 Revision guide for units 1 and 2 – BTEC National Health and Social Care Revision Guide: Second Edition</p>	<p>£31.05</p> <p>£11.99</p>

History	<p>‘Democracy and Dictatorships in Germany 1919 – 1963’ second edition. Geoff Layton (Access to History)</p> <p>£19 new</p>	
	<p>‘Early Medieval England 871-1107’ (OCR A Level), Andrew Holland, Nicholas Fellows</p> <p>This book is out of print, unfortunately, but second hand copies do appear (Ebay, Amazon etc). You should keep an eye out for them. There are enough copies to use in school, but if you cannot find your own copy, you <u>should</u> get the digital version here OCR A Level History: Early Medieval England 871–1107 Boost eBook (hoddereducation.co.uk)</p> <p>£n/a except 2nd hand</p> <p>£6.50 annual subscription for a digital version</p>	
	<p>Civil Rights in the USA 1865-1992 Paterson, Willoughby and Willoughby Heinemann</p> <p>145094-unit-f966-resource-lists.pdf (ocr.org.uk)</p> <p>£19 new</p>	
Maths	<p>Year 12</p> <p>Pure Maths</p> <p>Statistics and Mechanics</p> <p>£23.69</p> <p>£11.89</p>	
	<p>Year 13</p> <p>Pure Maths 2</p> <p>Statistics and Mechanics 2</p> <p>£23.69</p> <p>£11.89</p>	
Philosophy and Ethics	<p>Year 12</p> <p>Oxford A Level Religious Studies for OCR – AS and Year 1</p> <p>£30.99</p>	
	<p>Year 13</p> <p>Oxford A Level Religious Studies for OCR - Year 2</p> <p>£26.99</p>	
	<p>Oxford A Level Religious Studies for OCR Revision Guide Christianity, Philosophy and Ethics.</p> <p>£20.50</p>	
Physical Education	<p>OCR A Level PE (Year 1 and Year 2)</p> <p>OR Books can be bought separately</p> <p>OCR A Level PE Book 1- Year 1</p> <p>OCR A Level PE Book 2 – Year 2</p> <p>£39.99</p> <p>£28.99</p> <p>£28.99</p>	
	<p>AQA Physics A Level Student Book Jim Breithaupt Oxford 2015</p> <p>Or</p> <p>New A-Level Physics for AQA: Year 1 & AS Student Book with Online Edition Paperback – 21 May 2015</p> <p>And</p> <p>New A-Level Physics for AQA: Year 2 Student Book with Online Edition Paperback – 9 Jul 2015</p> <p>£43.99</p> <p>£18.47</p> <p>£18.47</p>	
	<p>Year 12</p> <p>UK Government and Politics for A-level Sixth Edition: Hodder Education – year 12 textbook, can be bought as an ebook too (£4)</p> <p>Political ideas for A Level: Liberalism, Socialism, Conservatism, Feminism, Anarchism 2nd Edition: Hodder Education year 12 textbook, can be bought as an ebook too (£4)</p> <p>US Government and Politics for A-level Fifth Edition: Amazon.co.uk: Bennett, Anthony J.: 9781471889363: Books - year 13 textbook</p> <p>£28.00</p> <p>£15</p> <p>Prices differ depending on 1st/2nd hand copies</p>	
Psychology	<p>AQA Psychology AS and A level texts</p> <p>Flanagan, C, Berry, D, Jarvis, M & Liddle, R</p>	

	<p>Illuminate publishing (All students will have access to a digital version of the full textbook)</p> <p>Year 12 Book Year 13 Book Year 12 revision guide Year 13 revision guide</p>	<p>£26.48 £31.10 £15.36 £19.99</p>
Sociology	<p>Year 12 : Sociology for AQA Volume 1 AS and 1st Year A level fifth edition Ken Browne (Polity Books)</p> <p>Year 13: Sociology for AQA Volume 2 2nd Year A level Ken Browne (Polity books)</p> <p>Revision Guide <u>Pearson REVISE AQA A level Sociology Revision Guide and Workbook: for home learning, 2022 and 2023 assessments and exams (REVISE AS/A level AQA Sociology) : Chapman, Steve: Amazon.co.uk: Books</u></p>	<p>£20.26</p> <p>£22.62</p> <p>£7.69</p>
Spanish	<p>AQA A-level Spanish Revision and Practice Workbook: Themes 1 and 2 https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/subjects/languages/products/16-18/aqa-a-level-spanish-revision-and-practice-workbook</p> <p>AQA A-level Spanish Revision and Practice Workbook: Themes 3 and 4 https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/subjects/languages/products/16-18/aqa-a-level-spanish-revision-and-practice-work-(1)</p> <p>A-level Spanish Writing Skills: Essays, Translations and Summaries https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/subjects/languages/products/16-18/a-level-spanish-writing-skills-essays,-translatio</p> <p>Palabra por Palabra Sixth Edition: Spanish Vocabulary for AQA A-level https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk/subjects/languages/products/16-18/palabra-por-palabra-sixth-edition-spanish-vocabul</p>	<p>£8.99</p> <p>£8.99</p> <p>£6.99</p> <p>£9.99</p>