

REVISION HABITS



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Not very successful

Very successful



TRUE OR FALSE?

The following are a useful revision strategy.

EXCELLENCE

ACHIEVE

Cramming FALSE Flashcards

True

- 3. Re-reading notes
- 4. Highlighting notes

ASPIRATION

5. Self-quizzing





Revision must include two key elements for it to be effective:

- 1. Powerful revision habits
- 2. Powerful revision strategy

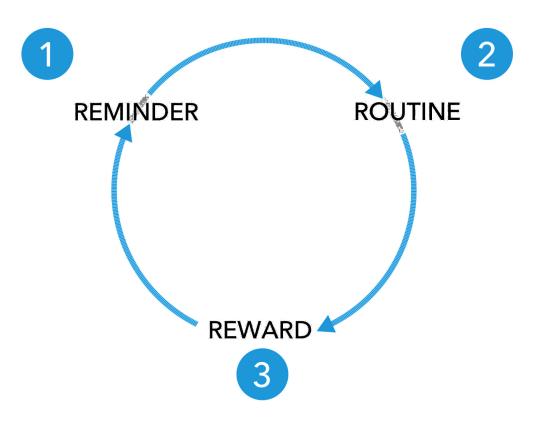




A habit is a pattern of behaviour or thought repeated so often that it becomes automatic in certain situations.



THE HABIT FORMATION LOOP



1.Reminder (the trigger that initiates the behaviour) 2.Routine (the behaviour itself; the action you take) **3.Reward** (the benefit you gain from doing the behaviour)





- Doom scrolling social media
- Staying up late/not getting enough sleep
- Negative/fixed mindset about your ability
- Not doing (enough) homework
- Binge eating sugary food



HABITS TO GET RIGHT

SEARCHING FOR MEANING

Sleep

- Getting one hour less sleep per night affects your daytime functioning the next day
- Research shows you cannot catch upon lost sleep
- A regular sleep routine is essential for effective revision
- Dark room, no noise, cool temperature
- 7-9 hours is optimal

Phones

- Completing homework or revision with your phone next to you affects your ability to think about what you're revising
- Using your phone at night as a way of relaxing does not help you to sleep.
- Charge it in another room

HABIT FORMING PROCESS



Successful habits

- Step-by-step
- One at a time

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Great things are done by a series of small things brought together - Vincent Van Gogh



Mindset plays a huge role in determining your success

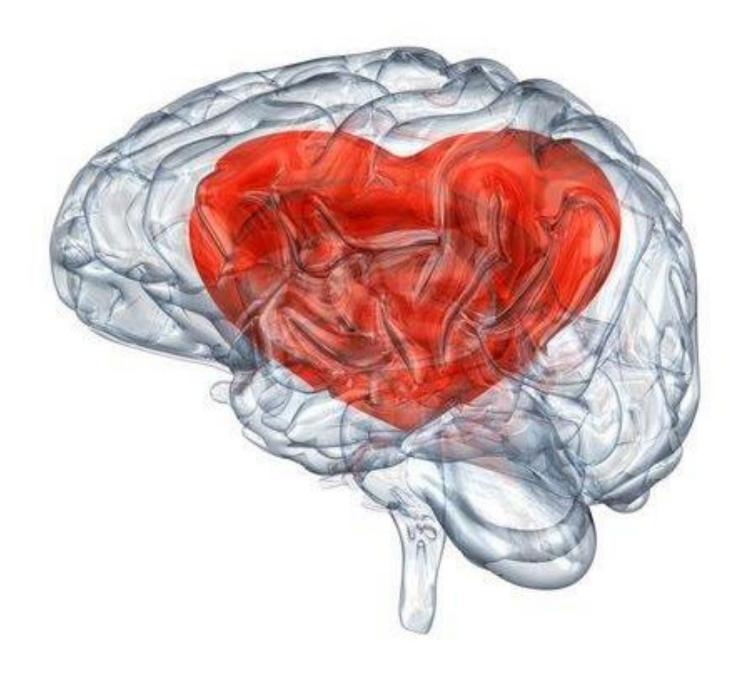




I can't do it. It's too hard = I will try for ten more minutes

I'm not very good at English = I will choose a topic that doesn't seem impossible and revise for ten minutes

I don't know how to revise = I will ask a teacher and try **one strategy consistently**



Our brains LOVE reward





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Success doesn't come from what you do occasionally, but from what you do consistently.

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1. Flash Cards



Why flashcards?

Flash cards promote studying through **active recall,** which is one of the practices through which our brains learn most effectively.

Flash cards are a great way to put **spaced repetition** into action.





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Top tips

- **Create your own** revision cards to help to retrieve information.
 - Add pictures to your flash cards to make them more memorable.
- **Use mnemonic devices** to help you remember important points about your subject.
- **Stick to 5 -10 facts per card.** It's important not to overload them with too much information.
- Use flashcards in both directions
 - Recall the information out loud to aid memory retention.



2. Quizzing/self-quizzing



Why use selfquizzing?

This is a powerful learning strategy because it uses retrieval practice to ensure information is remembered.

Once you have learned new information creating your own quizzes on it helps to repeat the process of remembering.



How to self quiz

- **Decide** upon the information or topic you want to revise
- Sort the information into smaller sections or groups.
- Create closed and open-ended questions about your
 chosen topic. Write down the answers on a separate resource (flashcards work well)
 - **Test** yourself regularly on your self-made quiz.



3. Practice



Why exam practice?

This is a powerful learning strategy because it uses retrieval and exam skill to prepare you for the real exams.

Practice ensures you are mentally prepared for exams by giving your brain plenty of experience with the types of question you might be asked in the real exam. It mentally prepares you and removes any extra cognitive load so you can focus on the answer to the question.



How to practice

- **Decide** upon the information or topic you want to revise
- Seek out practice exam questions to complete
- **3** Create a calm, distraction-free zone to complete your exam practice.
 - Time yourself in exam conditions
- **5** Ask for feedback from your teacher



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The following are a useful revision strategy.

1. Mindset doesn't influence your progress

2. Flashcards

True

3. Re-reading notes

ASPIRATION

4. Practice helps you to make progress

EXCELLENCE

ACHIEVE

5. Self-quizzing

TRUE





