

# Exams and Preparation

*GCSE assessments in 2022-2023*



Luck is what happens when  
preparation meets opportunity.

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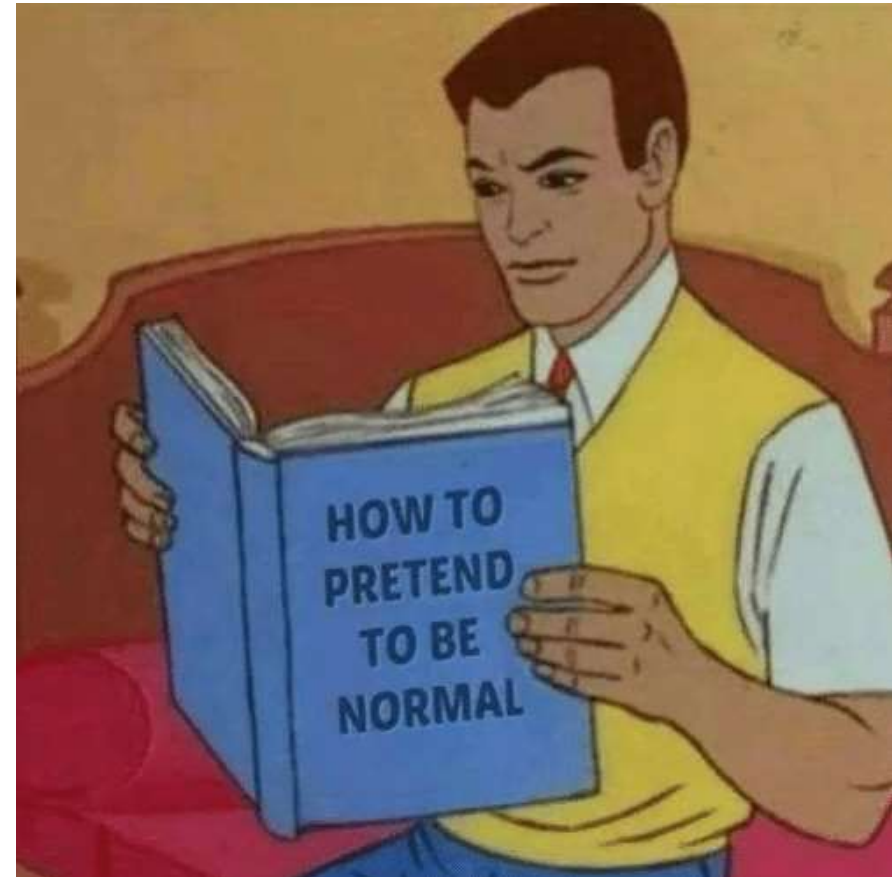
# What do exams look like this year?

## Exams are *nearly* back to normal.

- In 2020 and 2021, exams didn't happen.
- In 2022, exams/NEA took place with modifications.
- In 2023, formula sheets for Maths, Physics and combined science.

## And what about results?

- Grades were inflated when assigned by teachers and schools in 2020 and 2021.
- In 2022, grades were set at the midpoint of 2019 and 2021.
- In 2023, grades are expected to return to pre-pandemic levels.



# What happens between now and then?

Calendar	
Term 1a	Snapshot Report 1 Parents Evenings Intervention Round 1
Term 1b	Mock Exam Series 1 Meet the tutor evening Snapshot Report 2 College Applications
Christmas	
Term 2a	Intervention round 2
Term 2b	Mock Exam Series 2 Snapshot Report 3
Easter	
Term 3a	Leaver's Day and Exam Leave Intervention Round 3 GCSE Exams
Term 3b	GCSE Exams Prom

## Snapshot Reports

- Estimated grades
- Revision Status (targeted or independent)

## Mock Exams

- Strict exam conditions in November
- Mixed approach in February

## Intervention

- Rounds 1 and 2, mandatory and optional sessions at lunch or after school
- Round 3, during exam leave, mandatory and optional sessions scheduled around your external exams

## GCSE Exams

- Spread out over four weeks
- Exam dates are currently 'provisional'

# What happens between now and then?

## Non-examination Assessments (NEA)

Timeline			
Exam Board:	AQA	OCR	Edexcel
Subjects included:	Dance, Engineering	Business Studies, Drama, Food, Music, DT, PE, Sport Science	Art
Marks available on Go:	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May
Student deadline to request review:	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May
School deadline for review decision:	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May
LVC submission deadline:	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May

Go to:  
[lvc.org](http://lvc.org)

You'll find:

- Revision advice
- Key documents
- Updates as the year progresses

YEARS 10 AND 11

TOP TIPS FOR REVISION

SUPPORT OPPORTUNITIES

YR11 MOCK EXAMS –  
NOVEMBER 2022

REVISION ADVICE

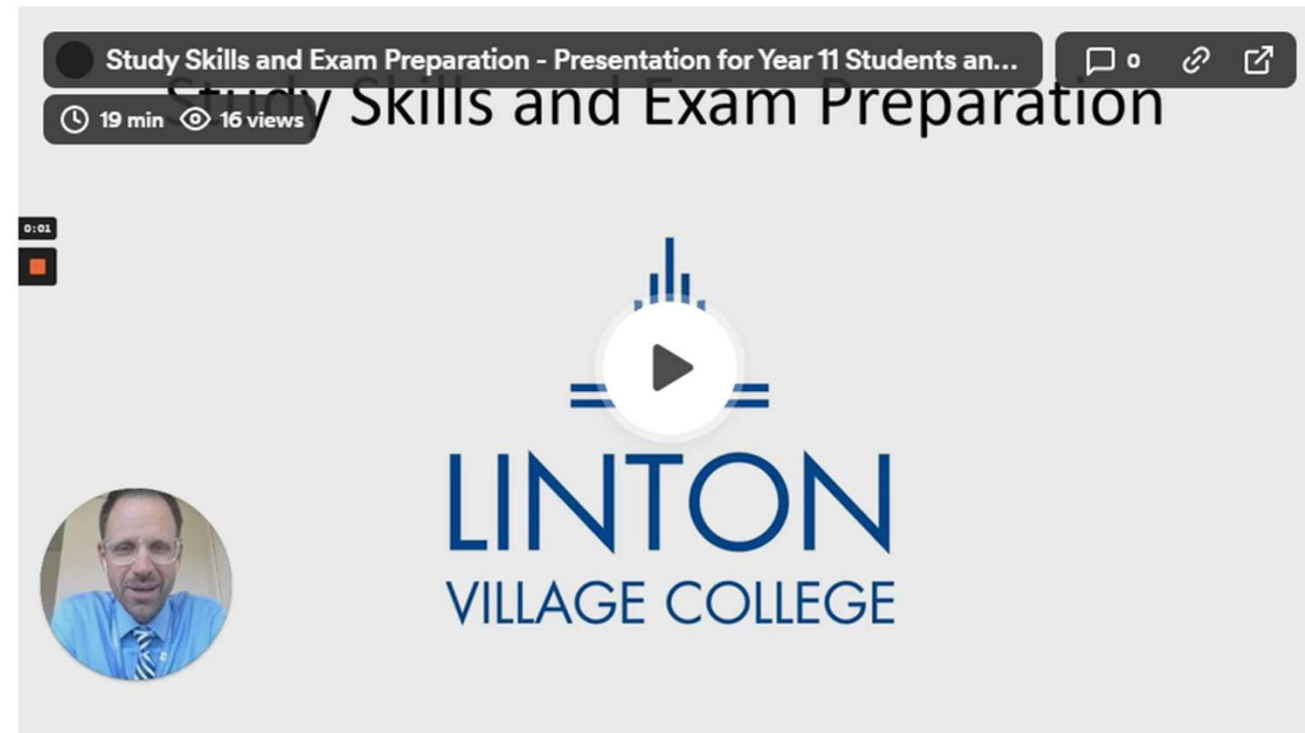
POST-16 APPLICATION PROCESS

WELL-BEING SUPPORT

KS4 COURSE OVERVIEWS

There are a number of ways that you can make sure that you are fully prepared to perform at your best.

1. Watch the video below, recorded by Mr Fehr, including key information and revision advice.
2. Create and follow a revision timetable that is manageable, efficient and balanced.
3. Concentrate fully in lessons and complete all classwork and home learning tasks set.
4. Use your teachers as a resource and make use of [subject top tip videos](#).
5. Organise yourself and schedule time to concentrate on revision without distraction.
6. Engage in tutor time activities to develop effective revision strategies.
7. Make use of independent study sites that have been signposted.
8. Attend targeted revision/intervention sessions that you are invited to.
9. Make time to relax, eat well and exercise to take care of your wellbeing.
10. Ask for support if you need it.



The image shows a YouTube video player interface. At the top, the video title is "Study Skills and Exam Preparation - Presentation for Year 11 Students an...". Below the title, it indicates a duration of "19 min" and "16 views". The video player itself is currently paused, showing a large play button in the center. The background of the video frame features the Linton Village College logo, which consists of a stylized building icon above the text "LINTON VILLAGE COLLEGE". In the bottom left corner of the video frame, there is a circular profile picture of a man with glasses, wearing a blue shirt and a patterned tie.

# What's happening with mock exams?

Why do we do them in the first place?

1. A diagnostic tool. What are your current strengths? What do you need to work on?
2. A contributor to estimated grades sent with college applications.
3. To practice the routines around formal exams.

## An overview:

- 10 days of assessments
- Usually one or two assessments per day
- An assessment in each subject
- Full exam conditions
- In the hall for most students, including those with extra time
- Students with exams access arrangements in room 19/20

# YEAR 11 MOCK EXAMINATION TIMETABLE - November 2022

All examinations in Sports Hall.

(Students with access arrangements will use rooms 19 & 20)

Week 1	Period 1 8.50 – 9.50	Period 2 9.50 – 10.50	Break 10.50 – 11.10	Period 3 11.10 – 12.10	Period 4 12.10 – 1.10	Lunch 1.10 – 2.00	Period 5 2.00 - 3.00
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	English Language 1hr 45mins (ET 2hrs 12mins)		Break		Spanish Reading French Reading Foundation 45mins Higher 60mins (ET Foundation 56mins) (ET Higher 1hr 15 mins)	Lunch	MFL Listening French Foundation 35mins
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Drama Practical All day (Mrs Tod)  Engineering 1 hr 30mins (ET 1 Hr 53 mins)		Break	Drama Practical All day (Mrs Tod)			
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Drama Practical All day (Mrs Kahr)  Statistics Dance 1 hr 30mins (ET 1 Hr 53 mins)		Break	Drama Practical All day (Mrs Kahr)  Dance Practical 2 hrs	Lunch	Drama Practical All day (Mrs Kahr)	
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Maths Paper 1 (non-calculator) 1hr 30mins (ET 1hr 53mins)		Break	History 1hr 30mins (ET 1hr 53mins)	Lunch	MFL Listening Spanish Foundation 35mins	
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Physics  Trilogy (Combined Science) 1hr 15mins (ET 1hr 34mins)  Triple 1hr 45mins		Break	Geography 1hr 30mins (ET 1hr 53mins)	Lunch	MFL Listening Spanish Higher 45mins	



Week 2	Period 1 8.50 – 9.50	Period 2 9.50 – 10.50	Break 10.50 – 11.10	Period 3 11.10 – 12.10	Period 4 12.10 – 1.10	Lunch 1.10 – 2.00	Period 5 2.00 - 3.00
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Art Day						
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Art Day  Music Performance Appointments  Drama Food (5 students who can't do Thursday) Business (6 students who can't do Thursday) 1hr 30mins (ET 1hr 53mins)		Art Day  Music Performance Appointments				
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Biology  Trilogy (Combined Science) 1hr 15mins (ET 1hr 34mins)  Triple 1hr 45mins		Break	PE 1 hr (ET 1hr 15mins)  RS Computer Science Drama (8 students who can't do Tuesday) 1hr 30mins (ET 1hr 53mins)		Lunch	MFL Listening French Higher 45mins
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Chemistry  Trilogy (Combined Science) 1hr 15mins (ET 1hr 34mins)  Triple 1hr 45mins		Break	Music (in music room) 1hr 30mins (ET 1hr 53mins)  DT Food Business 1hr 30mins (ET 1hr 53mins)		Lunch	MFL Writing Foundation 35mins Higher 45mins (ET Foundation 44mins) (ET Higher 56mins)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Maths Paper 2 (calculator) 1hr 30mins (ET 1hr 53mins)		Break	English Literature 1hr (ET 1hr 15mins)		Lunch	

# Q&A

What about times when I don't have an assessment?

- You must bring materials so that you can revise independently.

How do I know what to revise?

- We will tell you about the exams you're sitting and what to revise.

# Routines



1. At the time of each exam, gather in the ECR.
2. Check the seating plans so you know where to sit.
3. You'll be called to enter the Sports Hall by group.
4. You'll walk through the WCR to drop your coat and bag, and then proceed to the Sports Hall.
5. Find your seat. You must be silent at all times when in the hall.
6. At the end of the exam, you will be dismissed row by row.

