

Independent Learning Guide



AS Biology

You should be working for a minimum of **three-hours per week** per subject for independent work beyond what is set in lesson time.

Below is a list of suggested activities:

Ensure notes are completed and filed/stored suitably in a folder or book.

- Ensure that notes from the lesson are complete; crossreference with the specification to ensure you know what is required from this lesson.
- Read the relevant chapter from the textbook and add more detail and annotations to your notes.
- Review the PowerPoint from the lesson and add details and diagrams to your notes.
- Try to summarise the content of the lesson in note or diagrammatic format to diagnose any queries or lack of understanding.
- Try to commit information to memory immediately, rather than leaving it until revision. This must be done on at least 3 separate occasions- make flash cards and test yourself/get others to test you.
- Attempt past paper questions and mark them using the mark scheme, so you know exactly what the examiner wants from you.
- Read additional information from other web sites or sources to widen your understanding.
- Make diagrams/mind maps/flow diagrams that link between topics. For instance transcription and translation with cell organelles.
- Make topic summaries that you can use to teach someone else the content.
- If you need more resources or are not sure of anything- ASK
- Read the textbook chapter on the next topic before the next lesson.

| Use the following resources to support your independent study: | | | | | |
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| Resource | Comments | | | | |
| Text book | All the facts you | | | | |
| | need are here. | | | | |
| https://classroom.google.com | Resources from | | | | |
| | the lesson. | | | | |
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| a-level/biology-a-h020-h420-from-2015/#as- | other information. | | | | |
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| https://www.khanacademy.org/science/high- | Videos and | | | | |
| school-biology | resources | | | | |
| | for all topics. | | | | |
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