

The Purpose of Revision

“We are or become those things which we repeatedly do. Therefore, excellence can become not just an event, but a habit.”

Albert Einstein

Have you ever asked yourself why we need to revise?

Is it to annoy you?

Is it just to put you under enormous pressure?

Does it have any purpose?

Why do we have to sit exams at all?

When sitting an examination the examiner knows that the work being assessed is entirely the student's own work and that how well a student does in an exam is entirely up to them! In order to do yourself justice in an exam you have to undertake revision, understand revision techniques and examination strategies that you use.

Therefore revision means going over work in order to:

- 1.** Check your understanding.
- 2.** Make links between different topics to see how the whole subject fits together.
- 3.** Remind yourself of material you have forgotten.
- 4.** Reinforce your learning.
- 5.** Identify and fill gaps in your knowledge.