

GCSE ICT – Revision Guidelines

Exam Board:

The exam board delivering the course for ICT is Edexcel. Below is a link to the site which includes specifications, exam materials and FAQ's for parents.

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/ict-2010.html>

How is it assessed?

Controlled Assessment: 60% - Developing products – Students will create packages that fulfil a purpose described in an assessment brief.

Exam: 40% - The Digital World – 80 mark questions from a mixture of multiple choice and extended writing answers.

Revision Websites:

<http://www.reviseict.co.uk/>

<https://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision/ict/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zqmtsbk>

Quizzes

<http://www.educationquizzes.com/gcse/ict/>

<http://www.teach-ict.com/quizhome.htm>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/quiz/q66302619>

<https://kahoot.com/>

Videos

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y9PrF3nryuo>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kW9UPKrQnMY> – Playlist

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rwzrzRVh_kQ – Playlist



How best to help my child:

The most important thing to do is to encourage your child to maintain a steady programme of revision. Giving them help and reminding them when it is time to revise gives them the ability to gain confidence in studying at home which will greatly improve their chances. Some techniques that work well are:

1. Test them on topics using revision guides
2. Watch an ICT video and have a discussion about the contents
3. Get them to teach you about the digital world
4. One of the most important skills in ICT is the ability to address two sides of a morale argument regarding ICT. Have a debate about modern technology and the current issues within the media.
5. There are lots of past papers and mark schemes on the first link above. Let your child have a go at the questions and then sit down with the mark scheme together and try marking it.

What about the Controlled Assessment?

The assessment must take place in a controlled environment. This means that once the student has begun a piece they should not access it outside of the classroom. However it is useful if you maintain a dialogue with your child regarding the progress made in their CA. This will help them voice any concerns to you and ensure that they achieve their full potential. They can also practices using skills on a computer if access to one is possible. With the CA worth 60% of their overall grade it is imperative they achieve their full potential.

Above all if there are any questions or issues with revision contact the school to get a message to Mr Bowley.

Good Luck!

