DT

SUBJECT: DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

The secret to success in DT

What exams will I take in the Summer Term?

Exam Board: AQA



Paper Name	Topics	Time of paper
Coursework	Key dates:	
Deadline to hand in - Friday 21 March	Section A - 21 September	
	Section B – 11 October	
	Section C – 8 November	
	Section D – 24 January	
	Section E – 7 March	
	Section F - 21 March	
Wednesday 18 June	Written exam 50%	2 hours
Section A – Core technical principles		
Section B – Specialist technical principles		
Section C – Designing and making		
principles		

Support in school:

Drop in revision sessions

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday lunchtimes – D05 – all students can attend

Revision Ideas:

- Use this textbook to help you. It contains all the information for the theory and how to produce your NEA folder.
- Your showbie folder also contains lots of resources including an overview of topic areas for your exam and keywords that you should learn.
- You can use Seneca learning and BBC bitesize to revise.
- Useful websites:
 - AQA specification: https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/design-and-technology/gcse/design-and-technology-8552/specification
 - https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLXbSUHBZe1aPYSeaK14y3evw1PuBQlms0
 - https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL0q32hekcc2zUwOhEXpD87cis-t4hStaX
 - https://technologystudent.com/pdf19/exam-guidance1.pdf
 - https://www.focuselearning.co.uk/u/4152/xrtDihlxzklioFwirguzgzDfrricmcudt
 - https://studyrocket.co.uk/revision/gcse-design-and-technology-aqa
 - https://revisionworld.com/gcse-revision/design-technology

Week 1: w/c 24 February 2025

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Complete the showbie assignment extensions for this week's topic		
including making flashcards, mindmaps or other revision resources that		
work for your learning style.		
Use the AQA written exam content RAG sheet (from your showbie folder)		
to annotate which elements of this topic are a strength or require more		
revision.		

You SHOULD do	✓	RAG
Complete the section of the revision guide and workbook that links to this		
week's topic. The revision guide and workbook can be found in your		
showbie folder.		
Ensure you are upto date with your NEA coursework and that you are on		
target to meet the deadline for each section. You can use the NEA guide,		
section support materials and the exemplar work in your showbie folder.		

You COULD do	✓	RAG
Use BBC Bitesize to test your knowledge, focus on our topic this week.		
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Week 2: w/c 3 March 2025

Deadline to submit Section E of your NEA coursework – Friday 7 March

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Week 3: w/c 10 March 2025

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Week 4: w/c 17 March 2025

Deadline to submit all your NEA coursework – Friday 21 March

You MUST do	✓	RAG
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Week 5: w/c 24 March 2025

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Week 6: w/c 31 March 2025

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Week 7: w/c 7 April 2025 – EASTER BREAK week 1

Detail here any Easter revision sessions you are attending

Day	Time	Subject	In school or Online

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Week 8: w/c 14 April 2025 – EASTER BREAK week 2

Detail here any Easter revision sessions you are attending

Day	Time	Subject	Online

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Week 9: w/c 21 April 2025

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Week 10: w/c 28 April 2025

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Week 11: w/c 5 May 2025

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