



Student of the Fortnight

Year 7	Abbie Gray
Year 8	Ella Podd
Year 9	Kerris Luke
Year 10	Tyler Abbott
Year 11	Zak Borrowdale

Calendar Dates

A stack of blue and white calendars.

February 17th - 21st
Half Term



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Year 10 College Experience Day

Last Thursday, our Year 10 students experienced a taste of college life, as they each spent the day at one of the Cornwall College campuses.

There were a variety of courses for them to choose from - everything from Adventure Sport, Engineering, Mechanics to Animal Management and Welfare.

Our students took part in a number of different activities, including team building tasks, catering and construction to name just a few.

Our young learners fully embraced the opportunity to experience how it feels to be a college student, with some of them already choosing their next steps, post Poltair!

We would like to say a big "thank you" to the Cornwall College Group, for enabling this to happen.



Family holidays and term time leave

Parents/carers should ensure that family holidays are arranged outside of school term time. The government does not support parents taking children out of school unless the school agrees that this is appropriate under "exceptional circumstances".

Any requests for leave should be made, in writing, to the Headteacher.

If you still decide to take your child out of school, without permission, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996.

We may refer the matter to Cornwall Council, who may decide to take legal action against you. A penalty notice can be issued under Section 444A and 444B of the Education Act of 1996. This carries a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this, but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice may result in court action.

Persistent absences, not authorised by the school, may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates Court, leading to fines up to £2500 and/or custodial sentences.

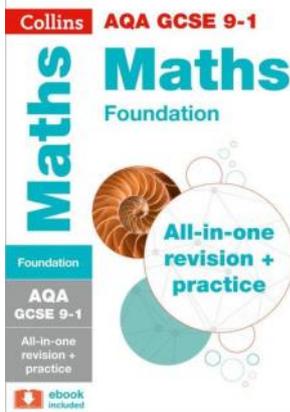
The council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to court.

Year 11 Revision Guides

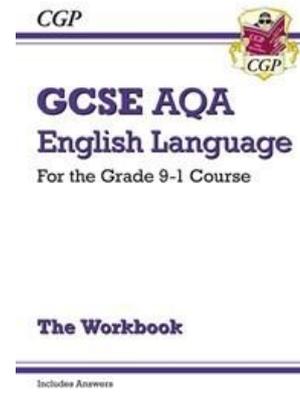
All Year 11 pupils must have the essential revision guides to support their preparation for their GCSE examinations. Please can parents check which books they have at home and where necessary, purchase any needed from School Gateway.

Thank you

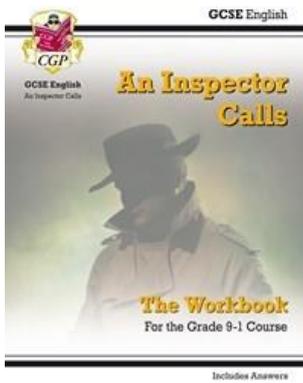
Maths - £3.99



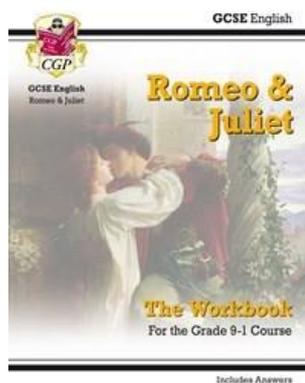
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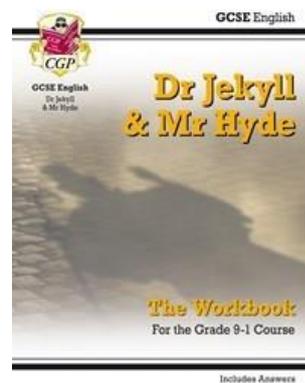
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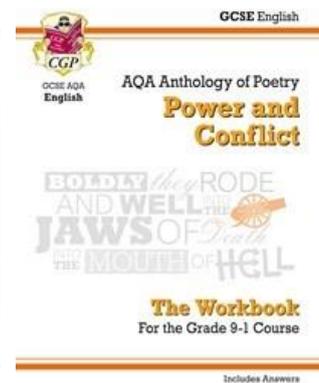
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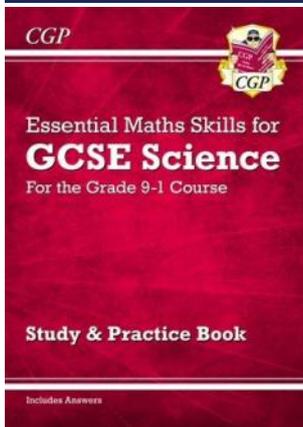
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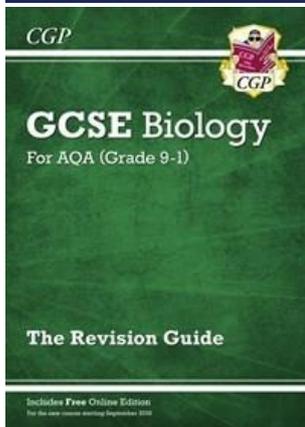
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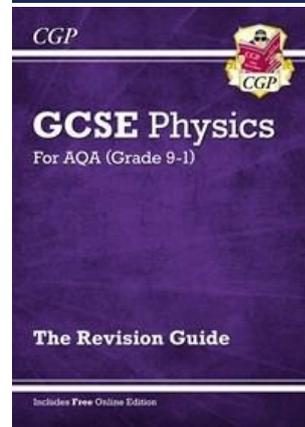
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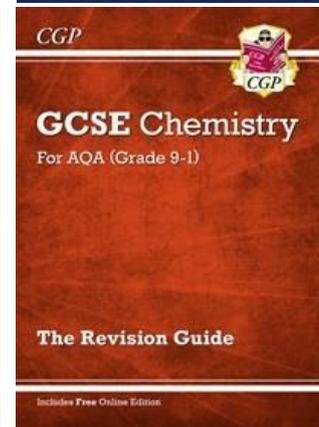
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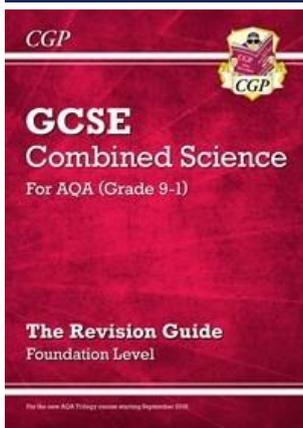
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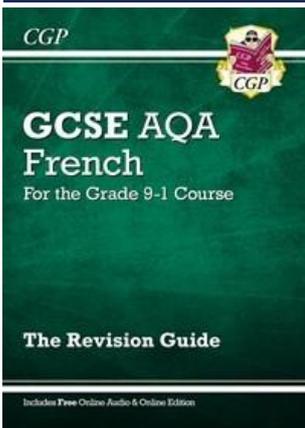
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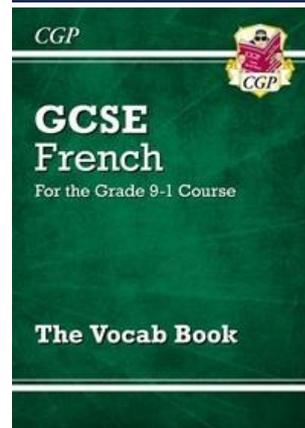
Science (Trilogy F or H) - £3



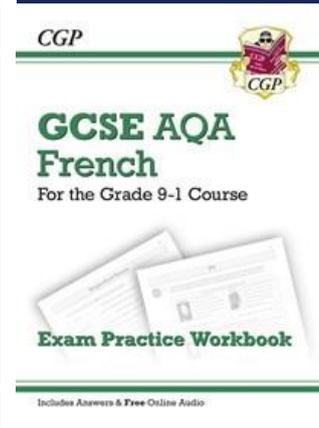
French - £2.85



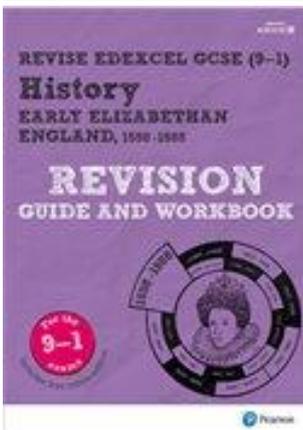
French - £2.50



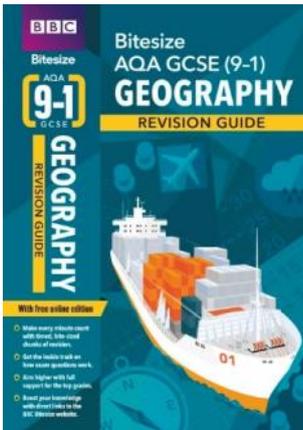
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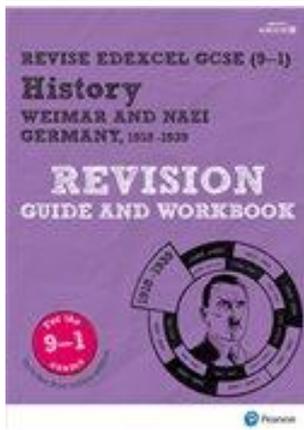
History - £2.70



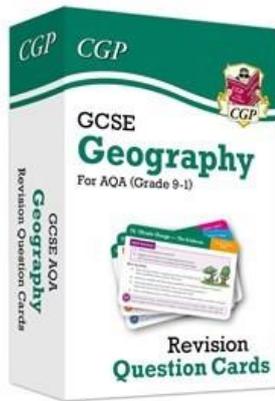
Geography- £5.99



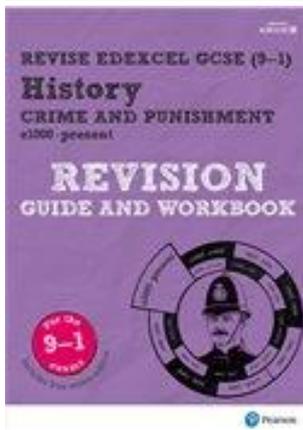
History - £2.70



Geography- £4.50



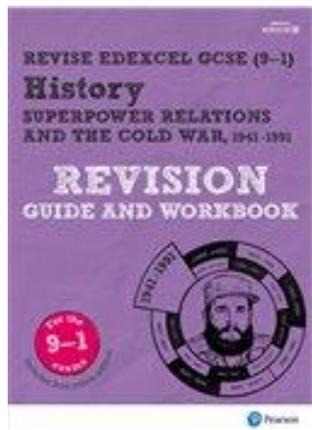
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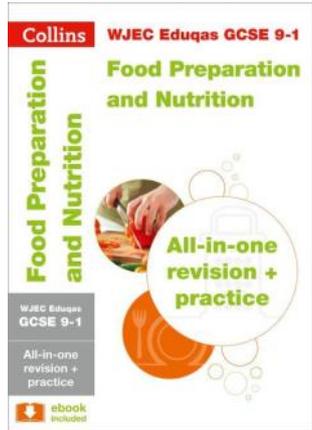
D.T- £3.99



History - £2.70



Food - £3.99



GCSE **Success** Fair

Thursday 19th March (5pm - 7:30pm)

Is your child unsure of where to start?
Is the stress of the examinations having an impact on their health?
Are you unsure of how to help them?
Do you lack the confidence or time to help them?

WE CAN HELP!

We will be offering advice/ information on a range of topics, these will include:

- How to manage stress
- How to ensure good sleep patterns
- The importance of nutrition & exercise
- Creating revision timetables
- Subject specific revision techniques
- Where to source GCSE exam questions
- Careers guidance
- Local colleges

What is Pupil Premium?

The Pupil Premium is additional funding from the government, given to schools to help close the attainment gap between children from low-income families/other disadvantaged families and their peers.

The figures below show the amount allocated to schools and local authorities for the academic year 2019-2020.

- £935 per pupil who has accessed Free School Meals in at least one of the last six years in Year groups 7 to 11, except where the pupil is allocated the Local Authority Care (LAC or post-LAC Premium)
- £2,300 for every pupil who has left Local Authority Care through adoption, a special guardianship order or child arrangements order
- £300 for each pupil aged 4 and over in Year groups Reception to Year 11 who has a parent serving in the Armed Forces who:
 - Has a child in full-time equivalent education in one of the last six Year groups
 - or
 - Is in receipt of pensions under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS) and the War Pensions Scheme (WPS)

How do I know if my child is entitled to Free School Meals/Pupil Premium funding?

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Your child may also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both:

- younger than the compulsory age for starting school
- in full-time education

Why Should I Apply For Pupil Premium Funding?

With this money we could provide extra resources for your child and pay for extra-curricular activities.

If you are registered for Free School Meals you could also get help to pay for school trips including residential trips. More information is available at: www.cornwall.gov.uk

