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Knowledge Organisers:

A Guide for Students and Parents

What are knowledge organisers?

A knowledge organiser is a set of key facts or information that pupils need to know and be able to recall in order to 'master' a unit or topic. Typically, an organiser fits onto one page of A4 – this helps pupils to visualise the layout of the page which in turn helps them to memorise the information better.

Student tips: How to use your Knowledge organiser

1. Look, cover, write, check
2. Quizzing— set your self a test or list key terms and blank out descriptions, then try writing them down.
3. Flash cards — key words/terms/images on front descriptions on reverse side.

Parent tips to support your child:

1. Please quiz your child in preparation for their weekly quiz. It should take 10 to 15 minutes.
2. Read through the Knowledge Organiser with your child – if you don't understand the content then ask them to explain it to you – 'teaching' you helps them to reinforce their learning.
3. Test them regularly on the spellings of key words until they are perfect. Make a note of the ones they get wrong – is there a pattern to the spelling of those words?
4. Get them to make a glossary (list) of key words with definitions or a list of formulae.
5. Read sections out to them, missing out key words or phrases that they have to fill in. Miss out more and more until they are word perfect.
6. Get your child to make a blank Knowledge Organiser and fill in all the gaps without looking.