

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE



# STUDY GUIDE S3 ASSESSMENTS

*a guide for pupils, parents and carers*

**S3 ASSESSMENTS TAKE PLACE  
26 FEBRUARY - 5 MARCH 2026**



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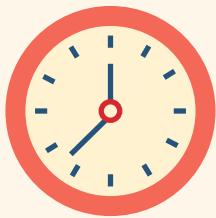
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## S3 ENGLISH & COMMUNICATION

### English

What is being assessed?



How long will it last? 1 hour

→ RUAE  
Understanding and analysis of texts.  
Short answer responses required.

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Understanding and analysis questions

→ Questions requiring a short response

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BBC Bitesize



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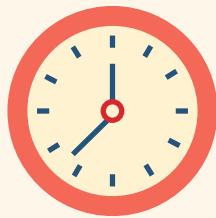
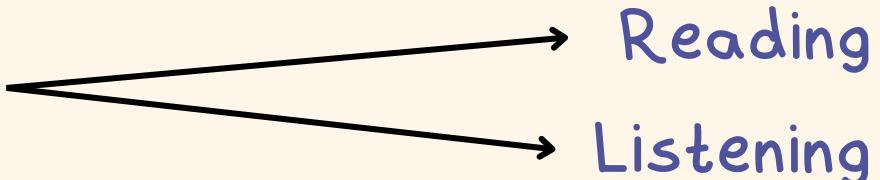


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## S3 ENGLISH & COMMUNICATION

### French & Spanish

What is being assessed?



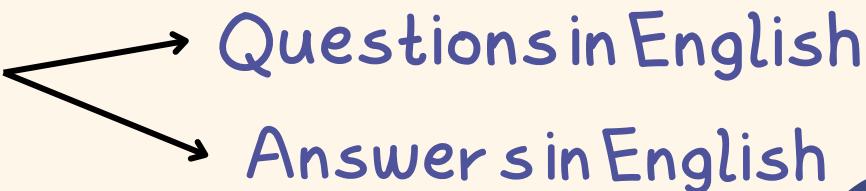
How long will it last?

Total Time - 1hr 15 minutes

- Reading 45 minutes
- Listening 30 minutes

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Analysing text in target language



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BBC Bitesize Languages Online



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Quizlet  
Classnotes  
Class textbook -  
Studio 2 / Viva 1



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## S3 ENGLISH & COMMUNICATION

### Media

What is being assessed?

Knowledge of Media key aspects



How long will it last?

45 minutes

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Mini essay

Poster analysis referencing key aspects of representation, categories and language

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Revision of Classnotes

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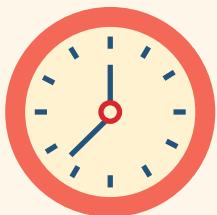
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### Art & Design

What is being assessed?

Direct observation drawing

Question paper



Total Time 1 hour

- Time in class to draw object – 30 mins
- Analytical question paper – 30 mins

How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the question paper?

Responses to artworks

Extended answers

Reference to the visual elements

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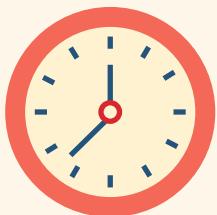
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### Drama

What is being assessed?

Performance presentation

Question paper



How long will it last?

Total Time - 1 hour

- Presentation in class - 15 mins
- Analytical question paper - 45 mins

What types of questions will be in the question paper?

Responses to pupil created drama

Extended answers

Terminology definitions

Where will I find revision materials to help my child?



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## S3 EXPRESSIVE ARTS

### Music Performance

What is being assessed?

Performance on 2 instruments  
Listening question paper



How long will it last?

Total Time - 40 minutes

- 2 pieces of music performed
- 30 min question paper

What types of questions will be in the listening assessment?

Aural concept recognition

Short answer  
Multi-choice

Where will I find revision materials to help my child? [My Music Online](#)



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Revision  
PowerPoint



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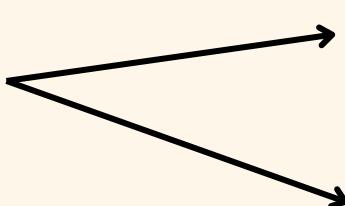
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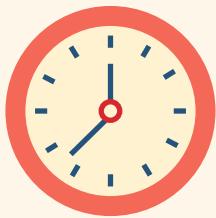
### Music Technology

What is being assessed?



Mixcraft Project

Listening question paper



How long will it last?

Total Time - 30 minutes

- Class assignment submitted
- 30 min question paper

What types of questions will be in the listening assessment?

Aural concept recognition



Short answer

Multi-choice

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Revision PowerPoint



Level 3

My Music Online



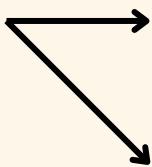
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## S3 HEALTH & WELL-BEING

### Food Technology

What is being assessed?



REHIS - Elementary Food Hygiene Certificate  
Costing of practical exam  
recipes  
Lentil soup and cheese scones

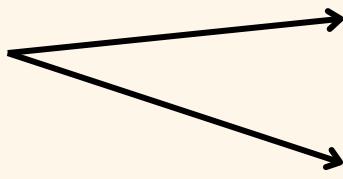


Written paper: 45 minutes – in exam hall  
Practical Exam: 60 minutes – in class time

How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Multiple Choice  
Case Study  
Calculation



Short answers

Formula will be provided.

Where will I find revision materials to help my child?



Class Materials

REHIS class workbooks

Pupil folders



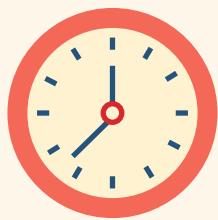
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## S3 HEALTH & WELL-BEING

### Physical Education

What is being assessed?

Understanding of the 4 Factors which impact performance.



How long will it last?

45 minutes

Methods of gathering data

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Open, closed and multiple choice questions.



Activities - Rules, equipment, playing areas etc

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BBC Bitesize

S3 Performance PE Workbooks



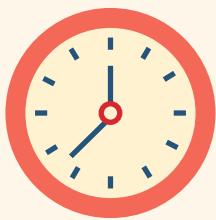
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## S3 MATHS, BUSINESS & ICT

### Administration & ICT

What is being assessed?

Level 3/4 skills on Word, Excel, Spreadsheets and Theory



75 minutes

How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Problem Solving

Command word theory questions

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Class Team

Resource booklets

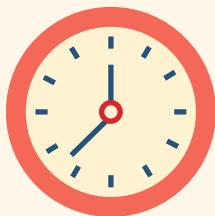
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## S3 MATHS, BUSINESS & ICT

### Business Enterprise

What is being assessed?

Mini assessments for each topic



45 minutes

How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Multiple Choice/Short Answer

Case Study

Command Word Questions

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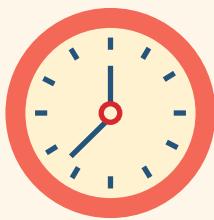


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## S3 MATHS, BUSINESS & ICT

### Computing Science

What is being assessed? → A programming task



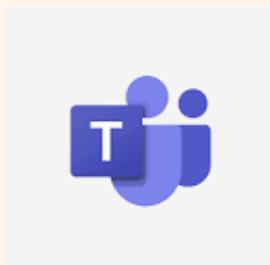
90 minutes

How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Provide a solution to a real life situation → Python programming knowledge.

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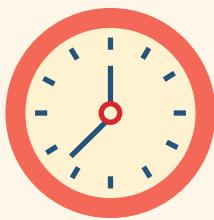
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## S3 MATHS, BUSINESS & ICT

### Application of Maths

What is being assessed?

An end of course level 3 & 4 assessment



45 minutes

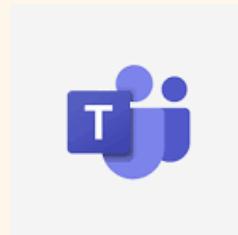
How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Skills based and problem solving questions

Students are allowed to use a calculator.

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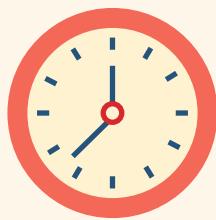
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## S3 MATHS, BUSINESS & ICT

### Mathematics

What is being assessed?

An end of course level 3 & 4 assessment



1 hour

How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Skills based and problem solving questions

Students are allowed to use a calculator.

Where will I find revision materials to help my child?



Class Team

Rigour Maths



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## S3 SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

### Biology

What is being assessed?



How long will it last?

#### Cell Biology

- Cell Ultrastructure
- DNA and Protein Production
- Proteins and Enzymes

#### Sports Science

- Muscles and Joints
- Heart & Circulatory Systems
- Respiration and Diffusion
- Thermoregulation

75 minutes

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

15 Multiple Choice Questions

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35 Marks Extended Response Questions

Where will I find revision materials to help my child?



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Practice Questions,  
Knowledge Organisers,  
Mindmaps & Homework



BBC  
Bitesize

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## S3 SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

### Chemistry

What is being assessed?

Atomic Structure  
Bonding & Properties  
Formulae & Reacting Quantities



How long will it last?

75 minutes - 50 marks

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Written Exam

15 Multiple Choice Questions  
35 Extended Response Marks

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BBC Bitesize  
Miss Adams Chemistry  
Evans2chem



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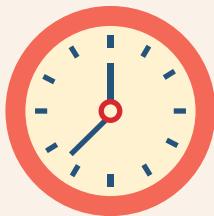
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### Physics

What is being assessed?

Waves, Sound & Optics

Kinematics & Dynamics



1 hour

How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

10 multiple choice questions

Written questions including calculations, explanations, and data handling

Where will I find revision materials to help my child?



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Class Homework Booklet, Revision Questions Sheets & Practice Questions



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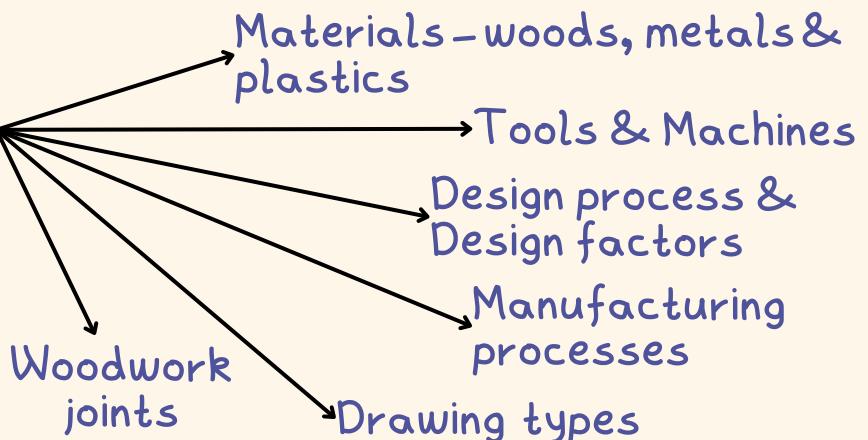
### Design & Manufacture

What is being assessed?

Environmental considerations



How long will it last?



1 hour, 50 marks

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Written Exam

Knowledge & Understanding Questions

Where will I find revision materials to help my child?



Mr Sheridan site



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Scottish CDT  
YouTube channel

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## S3 SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

### Graphic Communication

What is being assessed?

DTP edits

Drawing standards & protocols

CAD modelling

Building drawings & symbols

Colour theory

Pictorial views



1 hour, 50 marks

How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Written Exam

Knowledge & Understanding Questions

Problem Solving

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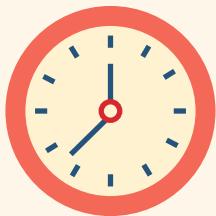
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## S3 SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

### Practical Woodwork

What is being assessed?



How long will it last?

50 minutes - 50 marks

Health & Safety

Tool & Machine Recognition  
Wood Joint Recognition  
Materials

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Written Exam



Knowledge & Understanding Questions

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## S3 SOCIAL SUBJECTS

### Anthropology

What is being assessed?

Your ability to reflect on your time in Anthropology and evaluate your place in the world.



45 minutes

How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Reflective, evaluative, describing and explaining questions.

Where will I find revision materials to help my child?



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## S3 SOCIAL SUBJECTS

### History

What is being assessed?

The Vietnam War  
USA 1850-1880



How long will it last? 45 minutes

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Describe and explain  
'How fully', 'Compare' and 'Evaluate the usefulness' source questions

Where will I find revision materials to help my child?



Problems going West

Punishments on the Plantations



US Soldiers in Vietnam

Vietnam Tactics



Pupils have a printed copy of the blue Knowledge Organiser for both topics

All revision materials and more quizzes are on the class team

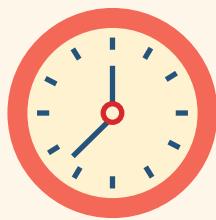


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## S3 SOCIAL SUBJECTS

### Geography

What is being assessed?

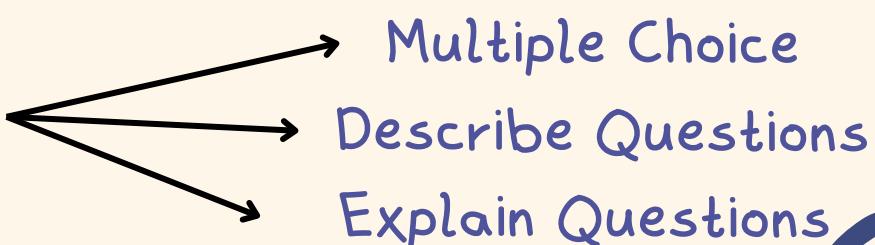


45 minutes

How long will it last?

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Knowledge and Understanding & Skills Based Questions



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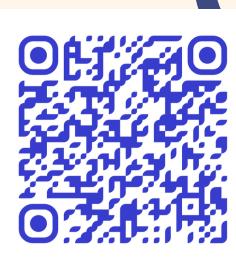
Rivers



HEP



Fossil Fuels



Tourism

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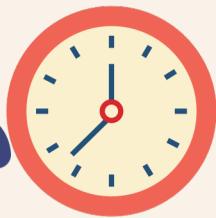
## S3 SOCIAL SUBJECTS

### Modern Studies

What is being assessed?

International Terrorism  
Pressure Groups in the UK

Source skills



How long will it last? 45 minutes

What types of questions will be in the assessment?

Describe and explain

Using evidence from different sources to make and justify a decision

Where will I find revision materials to help my child?

Quiz 1 Pressure Groups



Information Sheets



Quiz 2 Pressure Groups



Quiz 3 Terrorism



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