



Exam Board: Edexcel

Course Title: Economics A

Exams take place at the end of Year 13

Breakdown of Exams as follows:

Paper Number/Title	% of Final Mark	Time Allowed	Content
Paper 1	35	120 Minutes	Units 1&3 – Microeconomics
Paper 2	35	120 Minutes	Units 2 & 4 – Macroeconomics
Paper 3	30	120	Units 1,2,3&4 – Macro/Microeconomics Combined

Content Covered:

Year 12 – Unit 1 - Microeconomics

- What is Economics
- How Markets Work
- Market Failure
- Government Intervention

Year 12 – Unit 2 – Macroeconomics

- Measures of Economic Performance
- Aggregate Demand
- Aggregate Supply
- National Income
- Economic Growth
- Macroeconomic Policies

Year 13 – Unit 3 – Microeconomics

- Business Growth
- Business Objectives
- Revenues Costs and Profits
- Market Structures
- The Labour Market
- Government Intervention in the Market





Year 13 – Unit 4 – Macroeconomics a Global Perspective

- International Economies
- Poverty and Inequality
- Emerging and Developing Countries
- The Financial Sector
- The Role of the State in Macroeconomics

Online Resources

- Students will benefit from keeping abreast with current Economic news. The BBC website is always a great start. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business/economy>
- The Econplusdahl Youtube channel is an excellent source of online lessons on both content and exam technique
- The ACDC Econ You Tube Channel is also helpful along with the Crash course Economics Youtube channel.
- Seneca Learning can be used and class groups will be set up to assist with student attainment
- <https://www.tutor2u.net/economics>
- <https://www.economicshelp.org> has a useful selection of information, data and key terms info
- The daily BBC wake up to money podcast is very useful

Offline Resources

- Students will have one workbook for each topic. This will form the basis of their homework
- Students will also be given a bank of exam style questions for each unit.
- Students may wish to deepen their understanding by undertaking reading around the subject. Suggested texts include:
 - Economics: A Users Guide – Ha-Joon Chang
 - Cracking Economics – Tejvan Pettinger
 - Freakonomics – Levitt and Dubner

Potential Revision Tasks

- Ensuring key terms are understood – Flash Cards can be great for this
- Practise drawing the models/graphs and then explaining what they show
- Practise exam style questions from past papers
- Attempts the AQA multiple-choice questions (This is not our exam board, but the questions really test knowledge and understanding).
- Attend Study Supports – Available on Request

