



Guseley School Revision Support

Subject: Physics A-level

The URL for Guseley School Physics Resources can be found here:

https://guseleyschool.sharepoint.com/sites/GS_Subjects_PH/Year%2013/Forms/AllItems.aspx

Here you will find lots of resources including Knowledge Organisers and Past Paper Questions.

The 'Topic' on the table below refers to the areas that AQA will examine. How well do you know it?

Tick the face for each then focus your revision on the areas with a 😐 or 😞 .

Good Luck and ask your teacher if you are stuck!

Topic	Exercise book/notes	😊	😐	😞
Section 1: Particles and Radiation				
Atomic Structure				
Stable and Unstable Nuclei				
Antiparticles and Photons				
Hadrons and Leptons				
Strange particles and conservation of properties				
Quarks and Antiquarks				
Particle interactions				
Section 2: Electromagnetic Radiation and Quantum Phenomena				
The photoelectric effect				
Energy Levels in atoms				
Wave-particle duality				
Section 3: Waves				
Progressive waves				
Wave speed				



Transverse and longitudinal waves				
Superposition and interference				
Stationary waves				
Investigating resonance				
Diffraction				
Two source interference				
Young's double slit experiment				
Diffraction gratings				
Refractive index				
Critical angle and Total internal reflection				
Section 4: Mechanics				
Scalars and vectors				
Forces in equilibrium				
Moments				
Centre of mass and moments				
Uniform acceleration				
Displacement-time graphs				
Velocity-time graphs				
Acceleration-time graphs				
Newton's laws of motion				
Acceleration due to gravity				
Projectile motion				
Drag, lift and terminal velocity				
Conservation of momentum				



Force, momentum and impulse				
Work and power				
Conservation of energy				
Section 5: Materials				
Density				
Hooke's law				
Stress and Strain				
The Young's Modulus				
Stress-strain and force-extension graphs				
Brittle materials				
Section 6: Electricity				
Circuit diagrams				
Current and Potential difference				
Resistance				
I-V characteristics				
Resistivity				
Determining the resistivity of a wire				
Power and electrical energy				
E.m.f. and internal resistance				
Conservation of energy and charge in circuits				
The potential divider				
Section 7: Further mechanics				
Circular motion				
Centripetal force and acceleration				



Simple harmonic motion				
Calculations with SHM				
The mass spring system as a simple harmonic oscillator				
The simple pendulum and other types of SHO				
Free and forced vibrations				
Section 8: Thermal Physics				
Thermal energy transfer				
The three gas laws				
The ideal gas equation				
Kinetic theory and the pressure of an ideal gas				
Kinetic energy of gas molecules				
Development of theories				
Section 9: Gravitational and electric fields				
Gravitational fields				
Gravitational field strength				
Gravitational potential				
Orbits				
Electric fields				
Electric potential				
Comparing gravitational and electric fields				
Section 10: Capacitors				
Capacitors				
Energy stored by capacitors				
Dielectrics				



Charging and discharging				
Time constant and time to halve				
Section 11: Magnetic fields				
Magnetic flux density				
Investigating force on a current carrying wire				
Forces on charged particles				
Electromagnetic induction				
Investigating Flux linkage				
Faraday's law and Lenz's law				
Alternating current				
Transformers				
Section 12: Nuclear Physics				
Rutherford scattering				
Measuring nuclear radius				
Nuclear radius and density				
Properties of nuclear radiation				
Background radiation and intensity				
Exponential law of decay				
Half-life and its applications				
Nuclear Decay				
Mass defect and binding energy				
Nuclear fission and fusion				
Nuclear fission reactors				



Section 13 A: Astrophysics				
Lenses				
Optical telescopes				
Comparing telescopes				
Non-optical telescopes				
Parallax and parsecs				
Magnitude				
Stars as black bodies				
Stellar spectral classes				
The Hertzsprung-Russel diagram				
Evolution of Sun like stars				
Supernovae, Neutron stars and Black Holes				
Doppler effect and red-shift				
The Big Bang theory				
Detection of Binary stars, Exoplanets and Quasars				
Section 13 C: Engineering Physics				
Inertia and kinetic energy				
Rotational motion				
Torque, work and power				
Flywheels				
Angular momentum				
The First Law of Thermodynamics				
Non-flow processes				
p-V diagrams				



Four stroke engines and indicator diagrams				
Engine power and efficiency				
The Second Law of Thermodynamics				
Reversed heat engines				