

**Sixth Form
Wider
Reading and
Discovery
Lists for A-
Level
Subjects**

SIXTH FORM

- Mindset by Carol Dweck.
- Brain Rules by John Medina
- Outliers – The story of success by Malcolm Gladwell
- Bounce: The Myth of talent and the power of practice by Matt Syed
- The Tipping Point: How little things can make a big difference by Malcolm Gladwell.

Art and Design

Books

The Andy Warhol Diaries Edited by Pat Hackett pub by Warner Books
The American Leonardo: A Tale of 20th Century Obsession, Art and Money by John Brewer

I Was Vermeer: The Forger Who Swindled the Nazis by Frank Wynne

Art and Fear: Observations on the Perils (and Rewards) of Artmaking by David Bayles

How to Survive and Prosper as an Artist-Selling yourself without Selling your Soul by Carroll Michels

Artist's Guide to Selling work by Annabelle Ruston

This is Modern Art by Matthew Collings

Inside the White Cube: The Ideology of the Gallery Space by Brian O'Doherty

Ways of Seeing by John Berger

Understanding and Investigating Art by Rod Taylor pub by Hodder and Stoughton

Dictionary of Subjects and Symbols in Art by James Hall

Art Now (vol 3) by Hans Werner Holzwarth pub by Taschen

Drawing on the Right side of the Brain by Betty Edwards pub by Souvener Press
(think has a new publisher now)

The Thames and Hudson Dictionary of Art and Artists by Herbert Read and Nikos Stangos

AS/A level Art and Design Essential Word dictionary by Mark White

Book - The Shock of the New, by Robert Hughes

Book/DVD - The Power of Art

Arteffects by Jean Drysdale Green

The Encyclopedia of Acrylic Techniques by Hazel Harrison

Sources of Inspiration for Ceramic and the Applied Arts by Carolyn Genders

Magazines/Journals

- **Modern Painters** -brilliant monthly magazine devoted to painting, only interviews with painters and exhibition reviews. www.moderpainters.co.uk
great website too

- **Crafts Magazine**- published every two months by the Crafts Council. For all aspects of the Applied Arts including interviews with Craftspeople, exhibition reviews, competitions to enter, job vacancies etc www.craftscouncil.org.uk
- **The Photographers' Magazine**
- **Printmaking Today**- pub by Cello Press, four issues per year www.cello.press. All aspects of Printmaking covered with interviews, exhibition reviews, competitions etc
- **AN Magazine** (Artist's Newsletter)- www.a-n.co.uk. The artists' must have magazine. Stimulating and supporting contemporary visual arts practice. Offering lots of major art competitions to enter, job opportunities etc. Website offers lots of publications on how to promote yourself as an artist, how to apply for funding to continue projects etc
- **Time Out**- Excellent weekly magazine listing current art craft and design exhibitions at all the major museums and galleries as well as student shows and lesser known galleries. Available in all newsagents www.timeout.com

Galleries, exhibition spaces, permanent exhibitions

Larger galleries and Museum spaces, all with permanent exhibitions:

- The Tate Modern- Modern and Contemporary art
- The Tate Britain- British Art
- The Victoria and Albert Museum- Applied arts and design from around the world
- The Design Museum
- The National Gallery- painting
- The National Portrait Gallery- devoted to the art of the portrait
- The Royal Academy
- The British Museum- artefacts from around the world
- The Hayward Gallery
- Courtauld Gallery- devoted to Impressionist Painting
- The Wallace collection

Contemporary Art Galleries with changing exhibitions:

- The White Cube
- The Saatchi Gallery
- The Lisson Gallery
- The Whitechapel Art Gallery
- The Crafts Council Gallery
- Cork Street Galleries- commercial art galleries on London's famous Cork Street
- The ICA (Institute of contemporary Arts)
- Camden Arts Centre
- Serpentine Gallery
- The Photographers' Gallery, 16-18 Ramillies St. London W1F 7LW
- Frith Street Gallery

- Gagosian Gallery
- The Wellcome Institute- changing exhibitions containing arts that have a link to Science

Artist Material Shops/ Art bookshops/cinemas

Shops:

- **Cass Art**, Numerous stores in London, Charing Cross store is near to the National Portrait Gallery on Charing Cross Road- cheap selection of excellent art materials. Student discount.
- **The London Graphic Centre**, various outlets, main store in Covent Garden off Long Acre. Student discount.
- **Cowling and Wilcox** stores in Shoreditch, Camberwell and Soho. Soho branch: 26-28 Broadwick Street, W1F 8HX nearest tube Oxford circus/Tottenham Court Rd. Student discount.
- **Paperchase**, Goadge Street- fourth floor sells art, craft and design materials. Student discount
- **Hobbycraft**, Century Park, Dalton Way, Watford WD17 2SF- Art Craft and Design superstore

Bookshops: All galleries listed have excellent art bookshops. Others not listed;

- **Waterstones**, Piccadilly circus- the branch with the largest selection of Art books
- **Shipley's**, Charing Cross road- specialist art, craft and design bookshop, will order in any book if they do not have it in stock
- **Magma** book and magazine shop, Seven Dials, Covent Garden- the magazine shop used by contemporary designers in the graphic arts and fashion industries. Contains a huge range of inspirational publications used to inspire mood boards, websites and graphic Design

Art cinemas;

The ICA cinema, the mall

The BFI, Southbank

The Curzon, Soho

The Phoenix cinema, East Finchley

Useful Websites

The British Museum

www.thebritishmuseum.ac.uk

Victoria and Albert Museum

www.vam.ac.uk

Dulwich Picture Gallery

www.dulwichpicturegallery.org.uk

Hayward Gallery www.hayward-gallery.org.uk

National Gallery www.nationalgallery.org.uk

National Portrait Gallery www.npg.org.uk

Tate Britain/ Modern www.tate.org.uk

Whitechapel Gallery www.whitechapel.org

Horniman Museum www.horniman.ac.uk

Photographers Gallery www.photonet.org.uk

Serpentine Gallery www.serpentinegallery.org/

ICA www.ica.org.uk

The Wallace Collection www.wallacecollection.org

Camden Arts Centre www.camdenartscentre.org

Saatchi Gallery www.saatchi-gallery.co.uk

Museum of Modern Art www.moma.org

Guggenheim Museums www.guggenheim.org

Art search engine www.artcyclopedia.com (for finding out about artists examples of their work in galleries around the world)

Art search engine www.artchive.com

Virtual Museum www.tigtail.org/

Virtual museum cgfa.sunsite.dk

Biology

Magazines/journals

- Biology Science Review (quarterly)
- National Geographic (biology department)
- New Scientist

Books

- A short History of Nearly Everything-Bill Bryson
- On the Origin of Species-Charles Darwin

Places of Interest-London

- Science Museum
- Natural History Museum
- Alexander Fleming Laboratory
- British Dental Association Museum
- British Optical Association Museum
- British Red Cross Museum
- Chelsea Psychic Garden
- Freud Museum
- Great Ormond Street Hospital
- Museum of the order of St John
- Old Operating Theatre and Herb Garret
- Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew
- Royal College of Physicians
- Royal College of Surgeons
- Royal London Hospital
- Royal Pharmaceutical Society
- Saint Bartholomew's Hospital
- Wellcome Trust and Wellcome Library
- The Worshipful Society of Apothecaries

Websites

<http://www.ibiblio.org/virtualcell/amazingbiology/>

<http://www.cellsalive.com/>

<http://www.centreofthecell.org/>

<http://www.biology-online.org/>

Business Studies

Author Title Publisher ISBN

Stimpson P, Foden S, Mansell D
AQA AS Business Studies Student Book
Nelson Thornes 9780748798469

Surridge M, Gillespie A

AQA Business Studies for AS (3rd rev Ed)
Hodder Arnold 9780340957172

Marcouse I, SurrIDGE M, Watson N, Swift I, Hammond A
AQA Business Studies for AS (3rd rev Ed)
Hodder Arnold 9780340958643

Jones R, Hall D, Raffo C, Anderton A, Chambers I, Gray D
AQA AS Business Studies (4th Ed)
Causeway Press 9781405892209

Ashwin A, Merrills S, Thompson R
AS Business Studies Collins Educational 9780007270378
Wolinski J, Coates G
AS Business Studies
(2nd rev Ed)
Philip Allen Updates 9780340959350

Further Reading

Author Title Publisher ISBN

Lines D, Martin B, Marcouse I
Complete A-Z Business Studies Handbook (5th rev Ed)
Hodder Arnold 9780340915165

Crainer S Key Management Ideas:

Thinkers that Changed the Management World (3rd Ed)
Financial Times / Prentice Hall
9780273638087

Kotler P, Armstrong G
Principles of Marketing (12th Ed)
Prentice Hall 9780132390026

Micklethwait J, Wooldridge A
The Witch Doctors:

What Management Gurus Are Saying, Why It Matters and How to Make Sense of It.
Mandarin 9780749326456

Newspapers / Magazines

The Guardian Good site for business news.

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/business>

The Times Good site for business news.

This includes a very useful section for Unit 1 on entrepreneurs.

<http://business.timesonline.co.uk/>

http://business.timesonline.co.uk/tol/business/related_reports/entrepreneurs/

The Daily Telegraph

Good site for business news.

This includes a section on companies and markets.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/money>

Economist Useful site.

Do not forget to use the backgrounders feature that allows you to find other articles on key

topics and do look at the special reports. (Some elements open only to subscribers).

<http://www.economist.com/>

BusinessWeek Great site for business news and features.

<http://www.businessweek.com/>

Business Review Magazine

Useful student magazine with articles on relevant topics as well as helpful advice on the examinations.

Nelson Thornes - Online learning materials for AQA AS and A2 Business Studies.

www.nelsonthornes.com/aqagce/business

Annual reports service

Order free annual reports from the Financial Times. Often useful to illustrate issues regarding strategy, the role of directors, factors that affect performance or to extract numbers (that then need to be simplified) for A2 finance. Shows the different ways organisations present themselves whilst also highlighting the reporting responsibilities of public companies - students are often surprised by how much data there is in these.

http://ftcom.ar.wilink.com/asp/P002_search

Bank of England

A good site that explains: what the Bank of England does and what is meant by monetary policy and the links between interest rates and inflation.

Useful for Unit 4.

<http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/>

BBC News

A superb resource and one of the best starting points to find resources.

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/business/>

British Franchise Association

“The British Franchise Association is the voluntary selfregulating governing body for franchising.” This site features useful information on awards and case studies.

This will be helpful for Unit 1 when teaching franchising.

<http://www.thebfa.org/>
<http://www.thebfa.org/casestudies.asp>

Business in the Community

“Business in the Community is a membership of companies with the leadership to translate corporate values and commitments into mainstream management practice. These companies measure and report on progress and illustrate the action being taken to improve the impact of their operations, products and services on society and the environment.” This website has useful case studies and statistics.
www.bitc.org.uk

Bized

Excellent website full of useful information and resources, including an internet catalogue, learning material, business data and company facts. Free resources; textbooks to buy and rent, glossary etc. Virtual worlds include the economy, a factory and a farm.
<http://www.bized.co.uk/>

Business Link

Practical start-up advice for businesses. Case studies and practical information. Starting-up; exploiting new ideas; growing your business; types of business. Excellent material for Unit 1.
www.businesslink.gov.uk

Business Plans / Starting-up

Most of the banks will have information packs on starting-up and business plans. For example, Barclays provide the following information sheets: Writing a Business Plan, Could you run your own Business?, Raising Finance and How to Forecast Cash Flow. These are found in the Business Banking / Resource Centre area on the website under Business Guides.
<http://www.uk250.co.uk/frame/5379/barclays.html>

Corporate Social Responsibility

The Government’s website on CSR. “We have an ambitious vision for UK businesses to consider the economic, social and environmental impacts of their activities, wherever they operate in the world. Definitions of CSR and information and case studies on the benefits of this approach.

<http://www.csr.gov.uk/>

Enterprise and Entrepreneurs

The Financial Times has a series of good (short) interviews with entrepreneurs, made as part of its Enterprise Week. These include: Martha Lane Fox, co-founder of Lastminute.com; Sir Ronald Cohen; the founding fathers of the British private equity industry; a discussion of the future of enterprise and John Timpson, chief executive of Timpson, the national chain of shoe repair shops.
<http://www.ft.com/indepth/enterpriseweek>.

Human Resource Management

The CIPD (the professional body for those involved in managing and developing people) is a useful starting point; there are a few interesting factsheets and articles on research findings on a range of topics. Most likely to be useful for A2, eg Human Resource Strategy, Knowledge Management.

<http://www.cipd.co.uk/subjects/>

Federation of Small Businesses

The organisation that represents many small businesses in the UK. The site has information on the issues currently concerning small business owners.

<http://www.fsb.org.uk/>

Marketing

Basic material on a number of topics including some resources such as graphs and PowerPoint slides.

<http://www.learnmarketing.net/>

Masterclass

Masterclass is a magazine produced by Ernst and Young and has some useful material for A2. Masterclass gets inside the heads of exceptional business leaders; it explores their unconventional approaches to business and provides insight into how they have made their businesses grow.

<http://www.ey.com/>

Recruitment, Retention and Turnover

Excellent data produced by the CIPD (the professional body for those involved in the management and development of people) on trends in the UK and their implications for business.

<http://www.cipd.co.uk/subjects/recruitmen/>

Statistics

Free access to data produced by the Office for National Statistics and government departments. Everything from baby names, productivity, employment, inflation, share ownership and how people spend their time.

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/>

Times 100

The material, which is centred on well known businesses, has been designed by teachers and written by respected published authors to cover all the key topic areas. Case studies, theory, quizzes, company information links (taking you to specific sections of the featured company website), teacher resources, eg worksheets.

<http://www.thetimes100.co.uk>

Tutor2U

Excellent website. Offers free student and teacher resources including revision notes, presentations and quizzes.

<http://www.tutor2u.net/>

Television

The Business Channel

Great resource if you have access to Sky channel 547. Good range of programmes from documentaries, biographies and series.

www.thebusinesschannel.com

Dragon's Den

BBC Entrepreneurs pitch their ideas to venture capitalists. Ideal material for Unit 1.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/dragonsden/>

Working Lunch

BBC Business updates. You can also sign up for a free newsletter and email update.
http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/programmes/working_lunch/default.stm

The Apprentice

BBC Candidates compete to win a job with a six-figure salary and the chance to become Sir Alan Sugar's apprentice.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/apprentice/>

A selection of novels about business identified by the Institute of Economic Affairs in their study of 2000: 'The Representation of Business in English Literature'

- Hard Times (1854) by Charles Dickens
- North and South (1855) by Elizabeth Gaskell
- Little Dorrit (1857) by Charles Dickens
- Middlemarch (1872) by George Eliot
- Jude the Obscure (1896) by Thomas Hardy
- Heart of Darkness (1899) by Joseph Conrad
- Nostromo (1904) by Joseph Conrad
- Tono Bungay (1909) by H.G. Wells
- The History of Mr Polly (1910) by H.G. Wells
- Howard's End (1910) by E.M. Forster
- The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists (1914) by Robert Tressall
- Love on the Dole (1933) by Walter Greenwood
- Women in Love (1954) by D.H. Lawrence
- Room at the Top (1957) by John Braine
- Saturday Night and Sunday Morning (1958) by Alan Sillitoe
- Bonfire of the Vanities (1988) by Tom Wolfe
- Money (1984) by Martin Amis

Chemistry

Molecules of Murder – Criminal Molecules and Classic Cases – John Emsley
RSC Publishing, ISBN 978-0-85404-965-3

Molecules at an Exhibition (The Science of Everyday Life) – John Emsley
OUP, ISBN 978-0-19-286206-8

Nature's Building Blocks: An A-Z guide to the elements – J. Emsley
OUP, ISBN: 978-0-19850-340-8

The Science of Chocolate – S. T. Beckett
RSC 2008, ISBN 978-0-85404-970-7

Why Chemical Reactions Happen – James Keeler and Peter Wothers
OUP, ISBN 978-0-19924-973-2

Fun Science:

A Short History of Nearly Everything – Bill Bryson
Black Swan, ISBN 978-0-55-299704-1

How to Fossilise Your Hamster (and other amazing experiments for the armchair scientist) – Mick O'Hare
Profile Books, ISBN: 978-1-84668-044-1

Why don't Penguin's Feet Freeze? : (and 114 other questions) – Mick O'Hare
Profile Books, ISBN: 978-1-86197-876-9

Deeper Reading:

13 Things That Don't Make Sense – Michael Brooks
Profile Books 2009, ISBN 978-1861978172

The Periodic Table – Primo Levi
Penguin, ISBN 978-0-14-029661-7

Things to do:

Subscribe to the RSC Chemnet for current developments in Chemistry and Science, as well as loads of university information and seminars.

<http://www.rsc.org/Membership/Networking/ChemNet/>

Attend lectures and seminars on topics that interest you in Chemistry at UCL.
www.chem.ucl.ac.uk (News and Events)

Go spend a day at the Science Museum – it's free! Keep an eye out for special exhibitions.

www.sciencemuseum.org.uk

Watch the collection of Agatha Christie Collection DVDs

Critical Thinking

Things to listen to: all have web sites, all are available on "listen again" many have pod casts too, explore, there's loads of good stuff in Radio 4!

News and current affairs in the morning:
<http://news.bbc.co.uk/today/hi/default.stm>

News and current affairs in the evening:
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio4/news/pm/>

Arts:
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio4/arts/frontrow/>

Politics in other countries:
http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/programmes/from_our_own_correspondent/default.stm

Science:
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio4/science/thematerialworld.shtml>

http://podcasts.ox.ac.uk/#mathsci_body_div

ENvironment:
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio4/science/costingtheearth.shtml>

Ethics/religion:
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/radio4/religion/moralmaze.shtml>

CT/General:
<http://www.guardian.co.uk/>
<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/>
<http://www.metro.co.uk/>
<http://www.dailystar.co.uk/home/>

Engineering & Technology

Wider Learning Lists

Texts		
Advanced Design & Technology	Longman	582 32831 4
Product Modelling	Oxford	19 832761 7
Design in Society	Oxford	19 832779 X
Human Factors	Oxford	19 832783 8
Product Design	Oxford	19 832784
Advanced Manufacturing D&T	Hodder	340 70528 0
The Sustainability Handbook	Practical Action	1853396702
Ecological design		
Design Museum: Contemporary Design	www.designmuseum.org	
WebSites/TV		
The Dragon's Den		

The Gadget Show		
The Design Council		
DATA		
TEP		
incpen		
Institute of Packaging		
Design Museum		
Design Council		
Egeneration		
HowStuffWorks		
New Designs		
STEP		
The Black Inventors Online Museum		
DATA		
Designers and Design Movements		
Bauhaus		
Memphis		
Art Deco		
Alessi		
Modernism		
Pierre Cardin		
Terence Conran		
Phillipe Stark		
Richard Sweeney		
Frank Lloyd Wright		
Ingvar Kamrad		
Charles Renee Mackintosh		
Dyson		
Visits		
The Design Museum	28 Shad Thames	
Centre for Alternative Technology	Machyllneth, Wales	
Business Design Centre	Islington	New Designers Degree Show
Disabled Living Foundation		
Inspired by design	Institute Lectures	
Periodicals		
Which Magazine		
Design Week		
New Design		
Design	Design Council Journal	
New Scientist		
Universities – Product Design		
Brunel		
Goldsmiths		

Loughborough		
Nottingham Trent		
Wolverhampton		
Brighton		
De Montfort		
Sheffield Hallam		
Warwick		
Greenwich		
Middlesex		

English Department

Things to read

Literature:

- These titles are **absolute essentials** to access most texts studied:
 - *The Prince* by Niccolo Machiavelli – **essential** reading on the Renaissance
 - *The Complete Essays* by Michel de Montaigne - **essential** reading on the Renaissance
 - *Poetics* by Aristotle - **essential** reading to understand Tragedy and the tragic hero
 - *Metamorphoses* - by Ovid - **essential** reading to understand most literary texts especially Shakespeare and the Victorian poets such as Tennyson
 - *Myths and Legends* by Anthony Horowitz – simple version of Metamorphoses
 - *The Holy Bible: New King James Version* – dip in and out to help access many literary works
- e- magazine - www.emagazine.org.uk Username: emagazine6 password: y37k42 – hundreds of articles written by examiners and academics around the topic students study
- reading for and beyond the course:
 - Arundhati Roy *The God of Small Things* .
 - Anne Tyler *Digging to America* .
 - Khaled Hosseini *The Kite Runner* .
 - Andrea Levy *Small Island* .
 - Ian McEwan *Enduring Love* .
 - Sebastian Faulks *Birdsong* .
 - Mark Haddon *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night.time* .
 - Jane Austen *Pride and Prejudice*
 - Charles Dickens *Great Expectations*
 - James Joyce *Dubliners*
 - F Scott Fitzgerald *The Great Gatsby*
 - William Shakespeare *Macbeth*
 - Christopher Marlowe *Dr Faustus*
 - John Webster *The White Devil*
 - John Milton *Paradise Lost Books 1 and 2*

- Geoffrey Chaucer *The Pardoner's Tale*
- Mary Shelley *Frankenstein*
- Emily Brontë *Wuthering Heights*
- Bram Stoker *Dracula*
- Angela Carter *The Bloody Chamber*
- Poets to read
 - Andrew Marvell:
 - John Donne
 - William Wordsworth
 - John Keats
 - William Blake
 - Alfred Tennyson
 - Robert Browning
 - Elizabeth Barrett Browning
 - Samuel Taylor Coleridge
 - Thomas Hardy
 - Christina Rossetti
 - Dylan Thomas:

Language:

- e- magazine - www.emagazine.org.uk Username: emagazine6 password: y37k42 - hundreds of articles written by examiners and academics around the topic students study
- Read a range of magazines and newspapers to provide style models for original writing:
 - Empire – for film reviews
 - NME – for music reviews
 - Vogue – for fashion reviews
 - Editorials in The Guardian and The Independent
 - Private Eye – satire
 - The Spectator - travel writing
- *The Cambridge Encyclopaedia of the English Language* by David Crystal – great resource to dip in and out of for all aspects of the Language course
- The following books for ENGB1 - General
 - Adrian Beard - *How Texts Work* - Routledge series
 - Ron Carter, Angela Goddard, Danuta Reah, Keith Sanger & Maggie Bowring *Working with Texts 2nd Edition*
 - Amanda Coultas *Language and Social Contexts* Routledge series - Very helpful introductions to speech, formality issues and representation.
 - David Crystal *Rediscover Grammar* Student-friendly – help to review grammar
 - www.shunsley.eril.net/armoore/contents.htm - Very detailed notes on analysis of spoken and written data.
- **The following books for ENGB1 – Language and Context**
 - Deborah Cameron *The Myth of Mars and Venus: Do Men and Women Really Speak Different Languages?* Clear, helpful and often entertaining overview of gender studies. Accessible for most students. Recommended

- Amanda Coultas *Language and Social Contexts* Routledge series Student-friendly. Helpful focus on identity, gender and context.
 - Deborah Tannen *You Just Don't Understand: women and men in conversation*
 - Linda Thomas, Shan Wareing, Ishtla Singh, Jean Stilwell Peccei, Joanna Thornborrow & Jason Jones - *Language, Society and Power: An Introduction* - Comprehensive. Chapters on politics, media, gender, ethnicity and age.
 - www.universalteacher.org.uk Range of topics covering influential and institutional power with helpful examples – law / media / advertising / politics etc. Helpful overview for students.
 - Tim Shortis *The Language of ICT* Intertext series A comprehensive overview of the topic area.
 - Alan Gardiner A-level Study Guide: *English Language Revision Express* Each topic covered on 2 A4 sheets. Very accessible and useful for students.
 - John O'Connor *The Pocket Guide to English Language*. Detailed reference guide to grammar and key concepts. Very helpful for students.
- Read your text messages, emails, Messaging, etc – analyse the use of language in terms of gender, power and technology

Places to go

Literature:

- The Globe exhibition – tour of the globe theatre
- Tate Britain – look at the Pre-Raphaelite collection and explore images of Britain's Victorian past
- Vitoria and Albert Museum – explore Britain's past – Empire and the Victorians
- The National Gallery – check out Renaissance art and compare to Medieval art

Language:

- Visit the British Library – check out the Treasures of the British Library exhibition and do some research around language change
- The English Department Office – Extensive reading material to help with Language investigations and sample A Grade Language Investigations as style models

Things to watch

Literature:

- Watch a play at The Globe and other theatres
- Watch Blackadder – provides excellent historical background
- Watch many of the excellent film versions of Shakespeare's plays such as:
 - Hamlet [1997] ~ Kenneth Branagh
 - Hamlet [2000] ~ Ethan Hawke – modern adaptation
 - Hamlet [1990] ~ Kevin Kline,
 - Othello (1990) ~ Ian McKellen

- Othello [1996] (REGION 1) (NTSC) ~ Laurence Fishburne, - big Hollywood production – makes it accessible
- Othello [1988] ~ John Kani,
- Macbeth [1971] ~ Jon Finch,
- Watch a film version of the text you are studying such as:
 - The Kite Runner [2007] ~ Khalid Abdalla,
 - Mary Shelley's Frankenstein [1994] ~ Robert De Niro,
 - Great Gatsby, The [1974] ~ Robert Redford,
 - The Glass Menagerie [1973] ~ Katharine Hepburn

Things to listen to

Literature:

- Listen to Chaucer read with correct enunciation : The Canterbury Tales: Audio CDs (Modern English format): v. 1 (The great tales) by Geoffrey Chaucer
- Listen to Radio 4 – Download from the website if you miss it on the radio:
 - Bookclub 1602-1630, first Sunday in month
 - Poetry Please 1630-1700, Sunday
 - Open Book 1600-1630, Sunday

Language:

- Listen to Talking Heads - The Complete Talking Heads ~ Alan Bennett,- inspiration for writing your own dramatic monologues
- Listen to conversations on the bus, lunch hall, common room, etc – analyse the talk in terms of gender and power

Mathematics

- 17 Equations that changed the world by Ian Stewart.
- The Joy of X by Steven Strogatz.
- A problem Solvers Handbook by Andrew Jobbings.
- Magazines like New Scientist and The Economist.
- Khan Academy videos.
- TED videos.(Maths related topics)

French

This is a great chance to find out about the things which interest you at the same time as improving your language skills. Don't worry that you don't understand everything. Just try to understand the gist.

- Read a French **news magazine** like **Le Nouvel Observateur** or **L'Express** for current affairs or Paris Match for celebs news.. They're available at many big newsagents, and you can also get articles from them online
- **Listen to the news** in French on the Internet, e.g. on RTL

- **Watch French TV.** All the main channels are available on satellite – RTL,TF1,A2. We now have **satellite TV** in Room 107. You are welcome to come and watch at lunchtime or after school, or any other time when the room is not being used for lessons.
- Listen to **French radio stations.** Go to listenlive.eu and choose according to your interests.
- Watch French **films.** The MFL dept has copies of many of the following DVDs:
 - **Les Choristes** – an inspirational music teacher manages to transform group of deprived French school children into a choir. Very moving and popular with all ages
 - **Amelie** – a quirky and very funny look at life through the eyes of a young French woman
 - **Joyeux Noel** – set during World War One. A look at events leading up to the famous truce declared on Christmas Eve 1916 enabling the Allied and German soldiers to sing and play football together.
 - **La Classe** – a look at a year in the life of a tough inner-city school in Paris. This is not a documentary but a docudrama. The main role is played by a teacher and the students are real inner-city schoolchildren.
- **Listen to music** in French –
 - Recent artists: Christophe Mae – C'est ma Terre
 - Gregoire – Toi et moi
 - Garou
 - Manu Chao
- Dip into **French literature**
 - Classics: Camus – L'Etranger,** (Why didn't the narrator cry when his mother died?)
 - Flaubert – Madame Bovary**
 - Contemporary: Christophe Honore – Tout contre Leo**
Une toute petite histoire d'amour
- Go to the **theatre.** Occasionally, plays by French dramatists are performed in English at the National Theatre or other London venues.. The Barbican also has an annual international festival of theatre where there are occasional productions in French (with English surtitles.)

Psychology

Recommended Reads

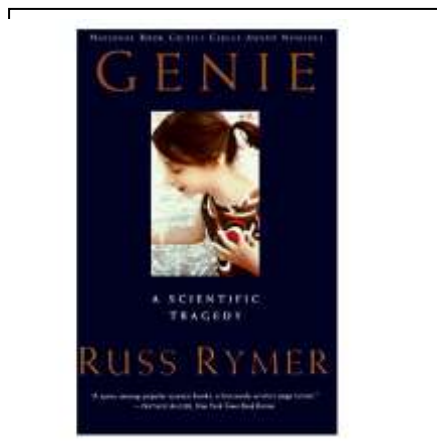
YEAR 12 AND 13 AND ANY INTERESTED STUDENTS IN YEAR 11 - BROADENING YOUR UNDERSTANDING ABOUT PSYCHOLOGY

The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat and Other Clinical Tales by
Oliver W Sacks (Author) ISBN 978-0684853949

Mr Senior's Review: Sacks, the world's most famous practising psychiatrist, explores case studies of sufferers with brain disorders where people are unaware of their disorder – you will find out why they are unaware when you read the book! One case involves a man who cannot 'see' people when they stand still, mistaking his wife for a hat stand: hence the book's title. This is an easy, informative book, which is why so many have read it. Not a book to take you off the beaten track but a great read all the same.

Seeing Voices by Oliver Sacks (Author) ISBN 978-0330320900

Mr Senior's Review: Another exploration by Sacks but less often read by students. *Seeing Voices* explores the issue of language and, in particular, sign language. The relationship between thought and language is explored – does limited language indicate limited thought? Interesting case studies are used and the footnotes are an intellectual step up from the main book and therefore worth reading. The first half of the book is the most informative and entertaining, so don't feel you need to read the whole book unless you get the urge!



Genie: A Scientific Tragedy

by Russ Rymer (Author) ISBN 978-0060924652

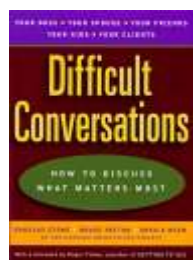
Mr Senior's Review: This is a journalistic account of the discovery of a 13 year-old girl kept in solitary confinement since the age of two years old by her abusive father. The scientific community studied and 'looked after' Genie (so named because, like a genie, she appeared to emerge from nowhere). Genie was used to explore whether language has a critical period to develop. A search on You Tube will find clips of Genie.

The case study raises issues about the ethics of

research You should find this an interesting read if you are keen to know more about cognitive sciences.

Difficult Conversations: How to Discuss What Matters Most

by Bruce Patton, Douglas Stone, Sheila Heen ISBN-13: 978-0140277821



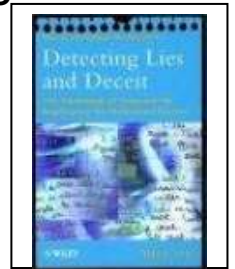
Review: You will face difficult conversations throughout your life, but now you can learn how to cope with them. This book provides a framework and various strategies for achieving better outcomes from hard exchanges. Douglas Stone, Bruce Patton and Sheila Heen use principles, illustrative stories to teach you how to understand the

components of challenging conversations, and how to prepare for them and transform them into something constructive. The language of the book is clear, insightful, concise and always helpful. You can use these principles in your everyday life. Everyone from teenagers to mature adults can use the communication skills discussed in this wise book. The concepts are simple and if internalized could for example save the needless destruction of countless marriages. What excites me most is that it is so very readable and that its lessons are sufficiently simple that although it might take a life time to master - when applied you can see results in your own conversations and relationships immediately.

Detecting Lies and Deceit: The Psychology of Lying and Implications for Professional Practice by Aldert Vrij (Author) ISBN-13: **978-0471853169**

Mr Senior's Review: This book is a theoretical and yet also a practical guide that helps the legal profession and clinical psychologists try to identify lying behaviour. The book explores the view that lying is an important feature of

everyday life and forces us to examine the role of lying. The book begins in an amusing manner by challenging us to think about examples of famous lies and liars. A comprehensive range of guidelines and concrete suggestions for lie detection techniques are provided. A good read by a lecturer at Portsmouth University in their Psychology Dept.



[Elephants on Acid](#) By [Alex Boese](#) 9780330506649 (Paperback)

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Elephants on acid has some great examples of psychological experiments.

Tricks Of The Mind By Derren Brown. 9781905026357

Has useful examples of Psychological tricks for memory and good explanations about science vs pseudoscience.

Bad Science - Goldacre, Ben

A great book for understanding how science is poorly represented by the media.

New Scientist and Psychologies are good magazines to read.

Sport Science/Physical Education

Developing Skill in Sport

Schmidt, R.A. & Wrisberg, C.A. (2004). *'Motor Learning and Performance'* (3rd Edition). Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics Publishers.

Schmidt, R.A., & Lee, T.D. (2005). *'Motor Control & Learning – A Behavioural Emphasis'* (4th Edition). Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics Publishers.

Sport Psychology

Cox, R.H. (2007). *Sport Psychology: Concepts and Applications*. (6th edition). New York: McGraw-Hill.

Berger, B., Pargman, D., & Weinberg, R. (2002). *Foundations of Exercise Psychology*. Morgantown, WV: Fitness Information Technology.

Gill, D.L. (2000/2008). *Psychological Dynamics of Sport and Exercise* (2nd/3rd edition). Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics.

Moran, A. (2004). *Sport and Exercise Psychology: A Critical Introduction*. London: Routledge.

Weinberg, R.S., & Gould, D. (2003/2007). *Foundations of Sport and Exercise Psychology*. (3rd or 4th edition). Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics.

History of Sport

John Lowerson (1995) Sport and the English Middle Class 1870 - 1914
Manchester University Press

Neil Wigglesworth (1996) The Evolution of English Sport
Frank Cass

Dennis Brailsford (1998) British Sport A Social History
Lutterworth Press

Sport and Society

Jay Coakley (1998) *Sport and Society Issues and Controversies*
McGraw Hill

Simon Barnes (2006) The Meaning of Sport
Short Books

Ellis Cashmore (2005) Making Sense of Sport
Routledge

Useful and informative Web sites

http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/victorians/sport_01.shtml

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/sport1/hi/academy/default.stm>

www.olympic.org

www.einet.net/review/83726-526768/Sir_Norman_Chester_Centre_for_Football_Research_University_of_Leicester.htm

www.london2012.com

www.eis2win.co.uk

www.youthsporttrust.org

www.sportengland.org/

Films

Cool Runnings - Jamaican bobsleigh team - Winter Olympics.

Gladiator Roman games

Football Factory Football Hooliganism

Chariots of Fire - Olympism and Harold Abrahams

This sporting Life - Rugby League based on Wakefield Trinity FC

Million Dollar Baby - Boxing trainer helps female boxer achieve her dream

Gregory's Girl - School football story

Tom browns School Days - Athleticism and the rationalization of sport

Events to Visit in London

http://www.visitlondon.com/sport/sports_calendar/

Wimbledon Tennis Championships - Last week of June , first week in July

Cricket Tests - Lords and the Oval

Rugby Internationals - the six nations - Twickenham

Football internationals - Wembley

Oxbridge Boat Race - April - Putney Bridge

Doggett Coat and Badge - July - London Bridge

London Marathon - April

PGA Golf - Wentworth

Grand Prix Athletics - Crystal Palace - July

Interesting Places to Visit

Rugby Museum - Twickenham

Tennis Museum - Wimbledon

MCC Museum - Lords - Home of the Ashes

Hampton Court Palace - Royal Tennis Court

River and Rowing Museum - Henley