



# Supporting your child through their BTEC in Construction and the Built Environment



## The Construction Exam

Paper	Topics	Length	%	Date
1 First attempt	Construction Technology	1.5 Hours	25%	AM 10/01/19
2 Re-sit	Construction Technology	1.5 Hours	25%	MAY 2019

## Key Dates for BTEC Construction



2018	November	After school revision begins end of November.
	December	Mock Exams 3-14 December – Students will sit a ‘walk-through’ exam to prepare them for their real exam in January.
2019	January	Construction Technology exam, Thursday 10th January 2019.
		16/17 January Y11 Progress Day.
	April	Completion and submission of coursework
	May	Exam – Re-sit. Second attempt for those who did not reach the required standard first time around.
	August	All results give to students

## Exam Content

CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY	
The in-situ requirements for elements of a building, the characteristics, properties, location, features and applications, and the interaction of different elements making up the sub-structure and superstructure.	
Strength and stability	Preconstruction work
Fire resistance	Desk-based preconstruction:
Thermal insulation	Sub-structure groundworks
Sound insulation	Superstructures – walls
Weather resistance	Superstructures – floors
Sustainability	Superstructures – roofs
Common structural forms for low-rise construction	

## Support with Revision at home

Revision is vital for all students but it can lead to a great deal of stress and anxiety. We’ve included some tips below for parents/carers:

- Encourage your child to start revision early – The first attempt at the exam is in January.
- Encourage your child to be organised and use a revision timetable and also space out the different topics they study.
- Encourage your child to use the free revision information provided electronically via the OneDrive as well as their own exercise books
- Ask your child if you can help them: chatting to them or using flashcards to quiz them etc.
- Ensure your child has breaks, eats well and gets a work/life balance

## Interleaving

In late November, revision sessions will be interleaved with normal lessons to prepare for the exam in January.

From March, Students that require a re-sit of the exam in May should ensure they complete all homework tasks, which will be geared towards revision.

## Online Revision

Students should be using the Onedrive, which has a wealth of resources to support revision and a subject specific quizzes.

Students should also be using the subject specific websites and BBC Bitesize.

## Revision Sessions

Revision sessions will begin at the end of November, in direct preparation for the exam in January

Attendance is essential to doing well in BTEC Construction, those who attend do well, its simple!

## Contacting the department

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