

YEAR 7 EXAM PREPARATION BOOKLET

Glenthorne High School



HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

By demonstrating observational drawing skills and use of tone and detail. There is a challenge to use directional shading to support the 3D form.

Students will be assessed in lessons to allow them enough time to complete a high-quality observational drawing which best reflects their skill level. Their exam will focus on pencil drawing observational skills (AO3). They will need to demonstrate an understanding of the formal elements e.g. shape, form, tone and texture.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

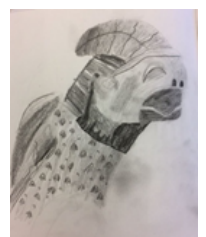
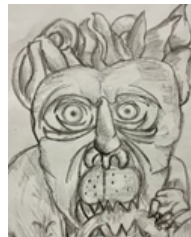
The task will be to create an observational drawing of a Gargoyle, in pencil. Success criteria include; considering the outline of the creature, the shape of its features, demonstrating at least four tones, considering the texture of the creature, drawing a creature from the image sheet, drawing for the full allocated time, and not tracing the outcome. Challenges include using directional shading to support 3D form and considering the composition.

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Students can prepare by practicing their observational skills by drawing different types of Gargoyles, with a particular focus on outline and surface texture. They need to consider different marks and consider how to make their drawing appear 3D. They may choose to explore the use of tonal pencils to support creating tones.

Please contact Miss Watson at swn@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any questions.

Examples of Year 7 Art exam outcomes



COMPUTER SCIENCE

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Students will be taking a computer-based assessment which includes a mixture of written and multiple-choice questions.

These questions must be answered on the computer. The answers are submitted to teachers automatically and will be reviewed prior to a final in-class review.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

All topics from the year will be covered during the assessment:

- E-Safety
- Computer Systems
- Scratch
- Threats
- HTML & Web Design

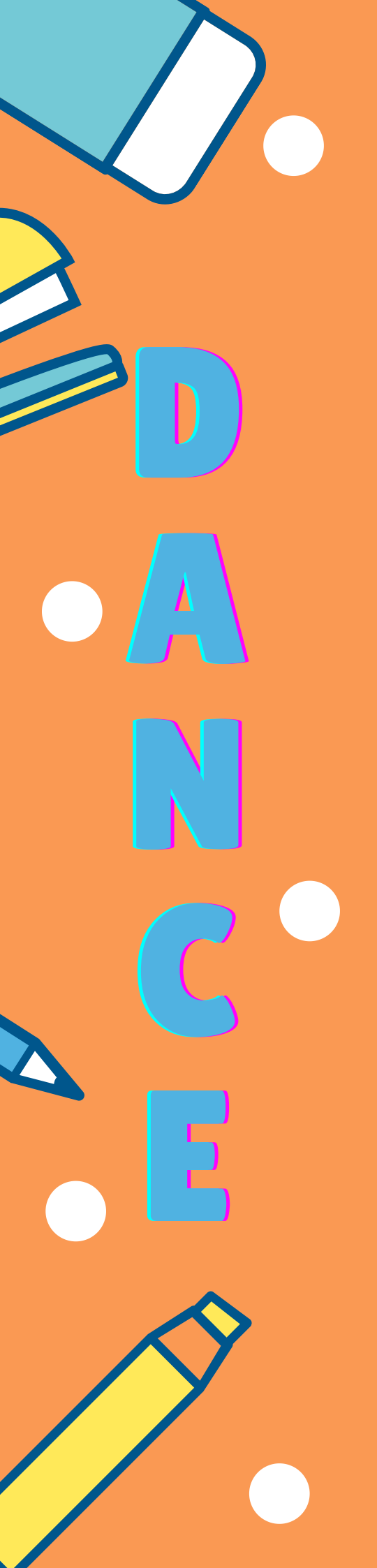


HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Students can prepare for this exam by revising key areas within topics using their “Must Know” checklists in their books (also available on the website). Website links will be shared via Teams with useful content that can aid their revision.

Please contact Mr Perrymore at jpe@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any further questions.





HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Students will be taking one practical exam which will last 40 minutes. Class teachers will be arranging an internal practical performance assessment, that will showcase their knowledge of the skills taught over the year.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

Students will complete a written quiz testing them on their knowledge of actions, space and dynamics, lasting no longer than 5 minutes. They will then complete a practical assessment, consisting of a performance of a teacher taught phrase and choreography created in small groups. Students will be asked to give feedback based upon the performance using key dance skills in their answers.

HOW CAN I PREPARE

Students should watch the exploring actions and discovery dynamics videos on the Glenthorne Dance YouTube Channel. They should revise key skills that we have discussed and used to enhance performance.

Please contact Miss Horwood at cho@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any questions.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Students will be assessed through a 45 minute written exam paper based on foundation skills and knowledge in D&T. Papers will include a range of questions that assess practical drawing and measuring skills, as well as technical knowledge.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

Topics will include health & safety, accuracy and measuring, nets and 3D shapes, tools and equipment, sustainability, inclusive design, perspective drawing, embroidery and the Bayeux Tapestry, sewing machines, fashion design, food and nutrition and materials knowledge (textiles, metal, paper, wood, plastic). Please note that due to the D&T rotation, pupils will only be asked to answer questions on the topics they have studied.

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

As the assessment window approaches teachers will begin to set specific revision tasks as homework for their pupils and during lesson time.

We highly recommend that pupils use their books to begin their own self-guided revision.

There are several helpful websites for pupils:

- <http://www.technologystudent.com/>
- <http://www.mr-dt.com/>
- KS3 Design and Technology - BBC Teach
- Explain This... Design and technology (D&T) - BBC Teach

If pupils have the opportunity, I would also recommend the BBC Teach: Secondary Design Technology section on YouTube.

Please contact Miss Frater at hfr@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any questions.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Students will be asked to explore, develop, perform and evaluate their own work. The exam is based on GCSE Component 2, and the ability to create a piece of Drama from a stimulus. Students will be given a visual stimulus, and asked to create their own performance in groups based on this image. They will evaluate and begin to assess students' ability to be able to identify areas of strength and weaknesses and also understand how they achieved their intention. They will have time for extended writing to formulate their response in their booklets.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

Students will demonstrate how well they are able to apply skills in the four different assessment objectives in Drama:

- Create – How well students are able to create and develop a piece of Drama inspired by a Stimulus.
- Perform – How students are able to effectively communicate meaning through a final performance.
- Knowledge – Knowledge and understanding of different Dramatic terminology including staging configurations, rehearsal and explorative strategies, mediums and elements of Drama.
- Evaluate – How well students are able to recognise how meaning is created through Drama and the merit of different techniques that have been used in order to communicate meaning.

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Students will need to ensure that they are revising the different Drama terminology that they have explored in their lessons, including staging configurations, rehearsal and explorative strategies and the different mediums and elements of Drama. In the lessons leading up to their practical examination, students should ensure that they continue to concentrate on building their confidence in working in groups and individually in performance.

Please contact Mrs Cullum-Cargill at lcu@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any questions.

ENGLISH

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Students will sit one exam, lasting 45 minutes. The exam will focus on the reading section (language analysis). This will be marked using the KS3 Assessment Criteria. The format of the paper will be based upon question 2 of the GCSE English Language Paper 1 and, like the GCSE papers, will not be tiered.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

Reading section: students will be expected to read an unseen extract from a 19th Century fiction text (based upon their work on 'Crime Fiction' in Summer 1) and answer a question demonstrating comprehension of the text, their ability to analyse the effects of language and devices and comment on the writer's intentions with links to context and how this has effected their message.

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Teachers will be aiding exam preparation through teaching a series of revision lessons based on honing the skills students will need in the exam. Furthermore, teachers will be setting homework tasks focused on preparation for the exam. Students could further prepare for the exam by : looking back at their EBIs from assessments throughout the year, ensuring they are confident in addressing these areas; revise how to structure an effective analytical paragraph; learn key terminology for analysis, providing examples of key devices (metaphor, simile etc); continuing to read widely and compiling a glossary of sophisticated and ambitious vocabulary. Students could also use revision websites like BBC Bitesize:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zfdh8xs>

Please contact Miss Dale at sda@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any questions.



GEOGRAPHY

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Pupils will be assessed via a 45-minute exam worth 36 marks. The exam paper will be a mixture of short answer and longer answer questions. The level awarded following the exam will be based partly on the marks achieved but also on the level of skills and knowledge shown against the KS3 assessment criteria.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

Questions will require understanding of key geographical processes and key terminology, as well as justifying viewpoints. A key skill in Geography assessments is also responding to graphs, images, maps, and data, where pupils will need to apply their knowledge to the novel situation presented. Topics covered include Map Skills, Coasts, and Settlement and UK.

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Pupils will be given a revision checklist and revision material prior to the assessment. They will also have a lesson of revision to go over both knowledge and exam skills. Pupils will be given structured revision homework that they should complete using the revision material and their books. Many of the topics taught have sections on BBC Bitesize and videos on Time for Geography, which can be used to support students further.

Please contact Mr Saunders at msa@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any questions.



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HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Students will sit an exam which will last 45 minutes. The exam will test students on their knowledge and understanding of the events studied in Year 7. The exam will also evaluate their analytical skills in writing explanations of events and ability to evaluate sources.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

- The Norman Conquest - The crisis of 1066. The Battle of Hastings, William's victory, his assertion of control, the Feudal System, Domesday Book and castles.
- The Power of Kings and Church - Henry II and Thomas Becket, Richard I, John, Magna Carta. Richard II and Peasants' Revolt. Barons and castles.
- Daily life - The role of a peasant. Differences between freemen and villains. The Church, monks and nuns. Life in a medieval town. The Black Death.
- Religious change in C16th - Protestant Reformation. Henry VII and the Tudor monarchy. Henry VIII, Katherine of Aragon, and split with the Catholic Church. Edward VI, Mary I and religious change.
- The English Civil War: Key causes of war, Royalist and Roundhead Soldiers, key battles, why the Parliamentarians won and Charles I's execution.

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Students should test themselves on the revision cards that they have developed. They should go over corrections from previous work and make sure they know how to improve their writing. They should complete practice questions provided by their teacher.

Please contact Mrs Seymour at nse@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk with any questions.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Each pupil will sit two exams: one non-calculator paper and one calculator paper. These will take place on separate days during lesson time. Each paper will last 45 minutes.

These exams, together with classwork and teacher assessment across the year, will help inform Year 8 sets.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

The exams will assess topics taught across the Year 7 course since September.

In the weeks before the exams, pupils will receive a 'List of Topics'. This will include the skills and topics that will be assessed, along with the relevant Sparx codes.

Pupils should use their assessment trackers to identify the areas they need to revise most carefully. Teachers will also guide pupils towards the most important topics to revisit based on their work in class.

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

The most effective revision is short, regular practice across several days rather than in one long session.

Pupils should:

- use the 'List of Topics' to focus their revision for both calculator and non-calculator papers
- revisit **Sparx tasks**, classwork, and previous assessments
- use **worked examples and practice questions** from their exercise books and Sparx tasks to rehearse methods

Where helpful, pupils may also use [White Rose Maths video lessons](#) to review specific topics. When using videos, they should pause regularly, write out methods, and try questions themselves rather than just watch.

In addition, class teachers will be delivering focused revision lessons for each paper and setting targeted homework on Sparx to support pupils' preparation.

Practical tips for home:

- Focus first on topics that feel least secure
- Practise showing full working clearly
- Check that all equipment is ready, including a calculator for the calculator paper

Please contact Ms Kalani at rka@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any questions.

MFL

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

You will complete a reading and listening assessment which will test your ability to understand vocabulary and grammar learnt so far and a writing and grammar assessment which will test your ability to produce vocabulary and grammar learnt so far

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

All content learnt so far - introducing yourself, free time, school, describing the classroom, family, describing other people

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Go through your exercise book and learn vocabulary you have written down as well as any grammar points. Also use the vocab lists for each module which we will provide.

If you have any questions please contact:

Spanish - Miss Wood kwd@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk

French - Mrs Gordon Reeves lgr@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk



MUSIC

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Students will be given a paper that comprises two parts. The first part will be listening to different pieces of music based on the topics they have covered this year, and they will have to answer questions about them. The second section is Music Theory where pupils will have to identify note names on the treble clef, note values and how to write a rhythm, notes on the keyboard, how to construct chords and the identification of musical symbols and terms. Pupils will be able to complete this section in the remaining time given.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

- Section A- Instruments of the Orchestra, Chords and Texture, Renaissance Music/ Fanfares and Beats by Bach/Baroque Music with Music Technology.
- Section B- Music Theory

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Throughout the course of the year, the students have been writing down glossary keywords in their books to prepare them for their end of year exam. We will also be preparing the pupils for their assessment in class so they will know exactly what they can do to prepare.

The best thing they can be doing is listening to lots of music from the different styles we have covered this year and practice describing it. To support pupils with their understanding of music theory, there is a website www.musictheory.net where pupils can go through 'lessons' and practice some of the main concepts.

Please contact Ms Waterworth at ewa@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any further questions.





HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Each Student will complete a 12-minute Cooper run and be given a grade based on their aerobic fitness level. Class teachers will also use each student's best three practical grades from the range of activities covered over the year to generate an overall grade.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

The Cooper run is a continuous running test requiring the students to run/jog/walk for 12 minutes continuously around the 400m running track on the school field. At 25m intervals there will be markers placed on the track to allow the total distance covered within the 12 minutes to be recorded and compared to normative data to give a score.

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

We strongly encourage all students to regularly take an interest in their own fitness and participate in physical activity outside of school and to regularly take part in extra-curricular clubs whilst in school. Students can attend athletics club Monday and Tuesday lunch every week to support them in improving specific areas of their fitness. Students keen to regularly exercise outside of school can also complete activities such as HIIT training following YouTube links, such as Joe Wicks. Students can also walk, cycle or run in their local area and monitor their progress using apps such as Strava which records distance and time.

Please contact Mr D Castle at DCA@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any questions.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Students will sit an exam which will last 45 minutes. The exam will test students on their knowledge and understanding of the beliefs and practices studied in Year 7. The exam will also evaluate their analytical and evaluation skills.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

- Hinduism: Beliefs, teachings and practices – Hindu gods and goddesses, sacred texts, Karma, Samsara and Moksha, Hinduism in Britain today.
- Islam: Muhammad (pbuh) and Islamic Beliefs – Muhammad’s (pbuh) life and prophethood, Five Pillars of Islam, Hajj, and the Qur’an.
- Christianity: Christian beliefs – Nature of God, existence of God, teachings of the Bible, beliefs about suffering.

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Teachers will be preparing revision lessons leading up to the assessment. However, it is very important that students are doing their own personal revision. This can include creating detailed mind maps, revision cards of key concepts and doing practice exam questions provided by their teacher.

Students should also be reading over their previous EBIs to ensure they are using them as a focus to their revision.

Please contact Mrs Seymour at NSE@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any further questions

SCIENCE

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Students will have 3 exams. Each exam will assess both subject knowledge and scientific skills from the topics covered in year 7. Skills are assessed in a number of ways including:

- Identifying equipment
- Taking measurements
- Identifying variables in investigations
- Drawing scientifically-appropriate graphs and tables
- Interpreting data from tables and graphs
- Suggesting ways in which accuracy of investigations can be improved

These skills can be revised by going through students' notes on the Introduction to Science topic from September. Relevant revision resources and practice questions will also be made available on Microsoft Teams.

Results of end of year exams, alongside teacher assessment, will be used to inform set changes moving into Year 8.

WHAT WILL BE COVERED?

Paper 1: Biology

- Introduction to Science
- Cells and Organisms
- Genes

Paper 2: Chemistry

- Introduction to Science
- Chemical Reactions
- Matter

Paper 3: Physics

- Introduction to Science
- Forces and Motion
- Energy

HOW CAN I PREPARE?

Revision materials and full exam checklists will also be posted on Microsoft Teams. These will include links to past-exam questions, BBC bitesize web pages and revision videos (as well as optional challenge resources). Students should check their revision progress by using the exam checklists, as well as attempting exam style questions to practice applying their knowledge. Students can also use their KS3 CGP revision guides to prepare and should speak to their subject teachers for further information on how to use these.

Please contact Miss Newman at ene@glenthorne.sutton.sch.uk if you have any questions.

