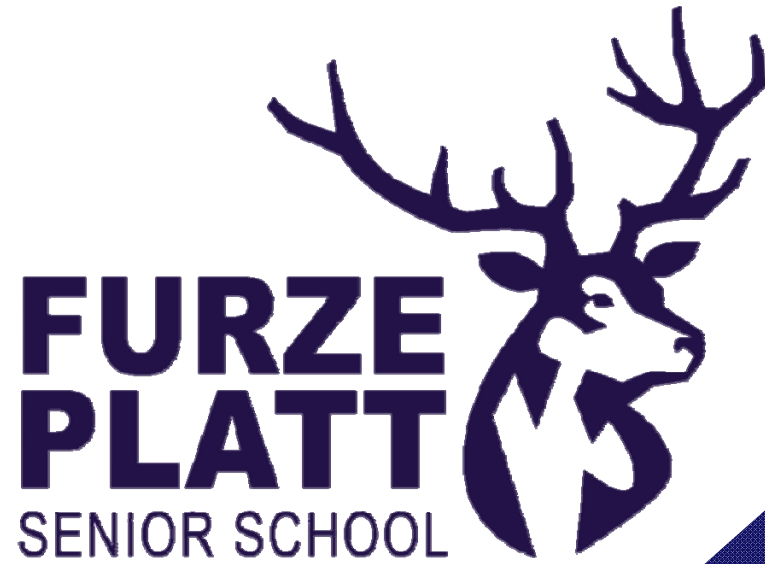


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GCSE Revision Evening

14TH MARCH 2017

The Final Countdown

Tuesday 14th March : Final preparation for GCSE
Information Evening

3rd – 13th April: Holiday Revision Programme

Friday 12th May: final tutor time

15th – 26th May: Exam Phase 1 - students will be
in school full time. They will be either in an
exam, a revision session or a normal lesson

Exam Phase 2

5th – 20th June:

Students will be in an exam, revision session or on Home Study

Real Self Discipline required!

Space available at school

- PE moderation (18th March)
- Drama moderation (8th-9th May)
- After-school revision

Raising Achievement

Support for Year 11 students

- Currently working with over 70 students in Year 11
- Time management – producing revision timetables
- Identifying areas of weakness and strength
- How to revise – mind-maps and cue cards
- Small group work- regularly timetabled
- Covering all subjects
- During sessions, students either catch up or revise
- Extra revision sessions before/after school

EXAM DAYS

1. Be in school by 8.30am for morning exams
2. Be ready for afternoon exams by 1pm
3. Be in full uniform
4. Most, but not all exams in the Sports Hall – check!

What to bring

Bring

Clear pencil case

Pen (black)

Spare pen (black)

Pencil / rubber / ruler etc

Water bottle

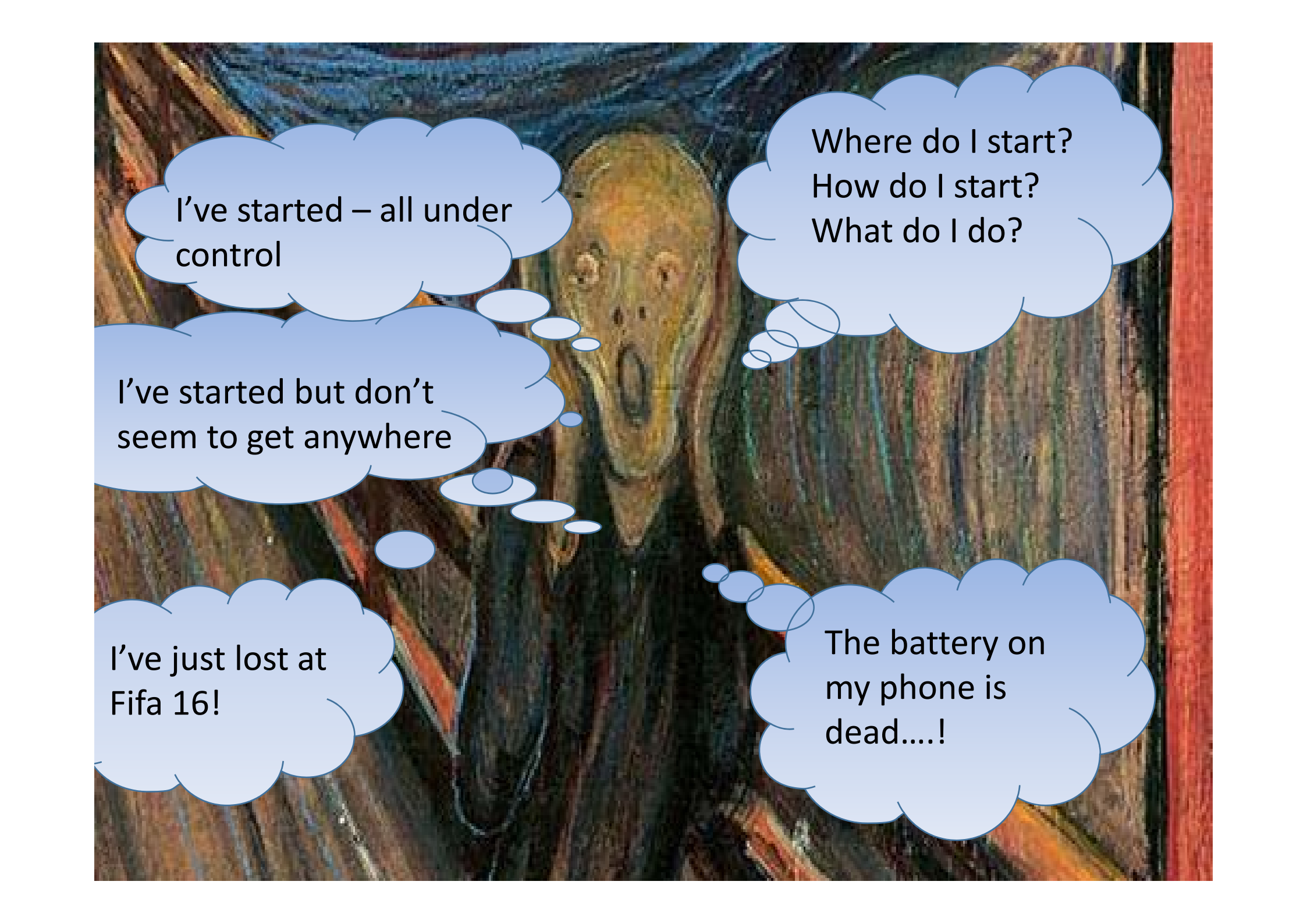
Don't bring

Tippex

Highlighters

Gadgets

What might be the barriers to learning for your son or daughter over the next two months?

The background of the image is a reproduction of the painting 'The Scream' by Edvard Munch. It depicts three figures in a turbulent, dark, and colorful sky. The central figure is a man with a pale, yellowish face and wide, staring eyes, looking directly at the viewer. To his left and right are other figures, also with expressions of distress. The sky is filled with swirling, vibrant colors of red, orange, and yellow, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The water below is dark and turbulent. The overall mood is one of intense emotional suffering and mental anguish.

I've started – all under control

Where do I start?
How do I start?
What do I do?

I've started but don't seem to get anywhere

I've just lost at
Fifa 16!

The battery on
my phone is
dead....!

What is revision?

ACQUIRE

re-reading tighten develop adapting
review scrutinise amend
repetition rewrite modify
rework reconsider differentiate
re-examine improve overhaul

What to do now.....



- Revision timetables – done, now use them
- Prioritise subjects
 - Insanity: doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results
- Breaks – plan and plot them – nothing taxing
 - They help create new neurological connections
 - Too much will destroy them
- How to revise – sessions for every Y11 student – DONE!
 - Place them around your room and house (PE diet notes on fridge, etc)
 - Peer revision – play dates!
 - Parents can help
- Once you start, you'll find it's not insurmountable.....
 - Spend 50 times worrying about it = a portion of time to do it

Cycle of work

- Preparation (5 mins)
- Subject / topic (40-45 mins)
- Power break (5-10 mins)



Repeat this cycle **at least** 3 times in a day and you have the foundation of a solid revision schedule!

Where to study



- A dedicated space without distractions
- Room to allow an organised spread!
- Immediate access to all materials needed during study periods
- A timer or clock in view
- Music & the myth of the Mozart Effect

Past papers

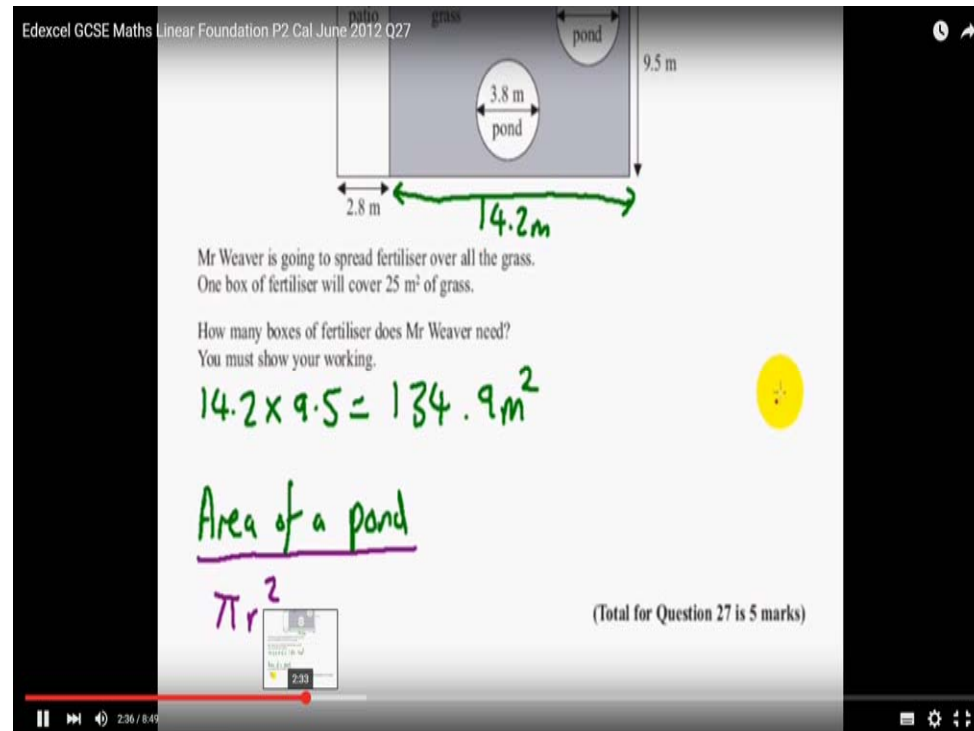
- Past papers – available on-line, ask a teacher, ask RA team
 - Search for the relevant exam board, tier, subject, etc
 - Use the mark schemes to gauge how you did/are doing

Our Revision Site

- FP-Online
 - Year 11 Revision Site

Revision Web-sites

- YouTube – with past papers
 - “edexcel gcse maths foundation June 2012”
- GCSE Bitesize
- Tutor2u
- Quizlet
- s-cool
- revisionworld
- Examtime
- getrevising
- topmarks
- tes



Edexcel GCSE Maths Linear Foundation P2 Cal June 2012 Q27

grass pond

9.5 m

3.8 m pond

2.8 m 14.2 m

Mr Weaver is going to spread fertiliser over all the grass.
One box of fertiliser will cover 25 m² of grass.

How many boxes of fertiliser does Mr Weaver need?
You must show your working.

$$14.2 \times 9.5 = 134.9 \text{ m}^2$$

Area of a pond

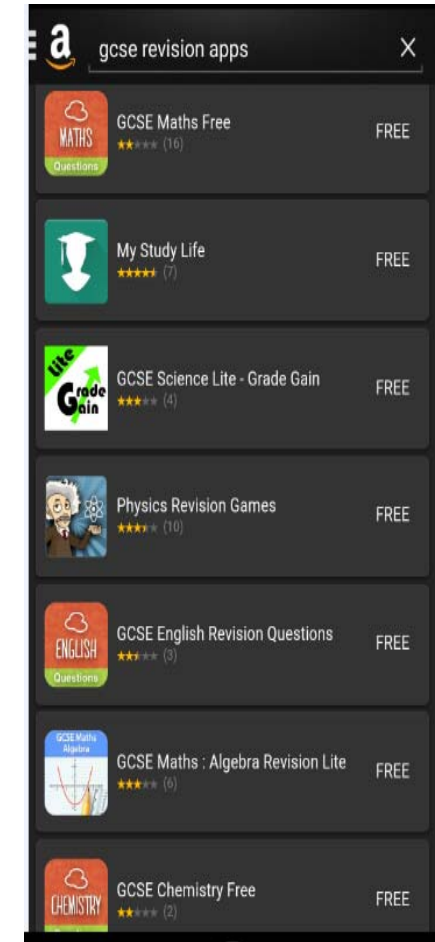
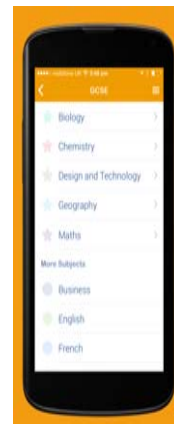
$$\pi r^2$$

(Total for Question 27 is 5 marks)

2:36 / 8:49

For once, you *can* use your phone

- Quizlet (I love it!)
- Gojimo
- Thumbsup Revision
- Khan academy - videos
- Podcasts – particularly useful for poems
– www.audiopi.co.uk
- Past papers

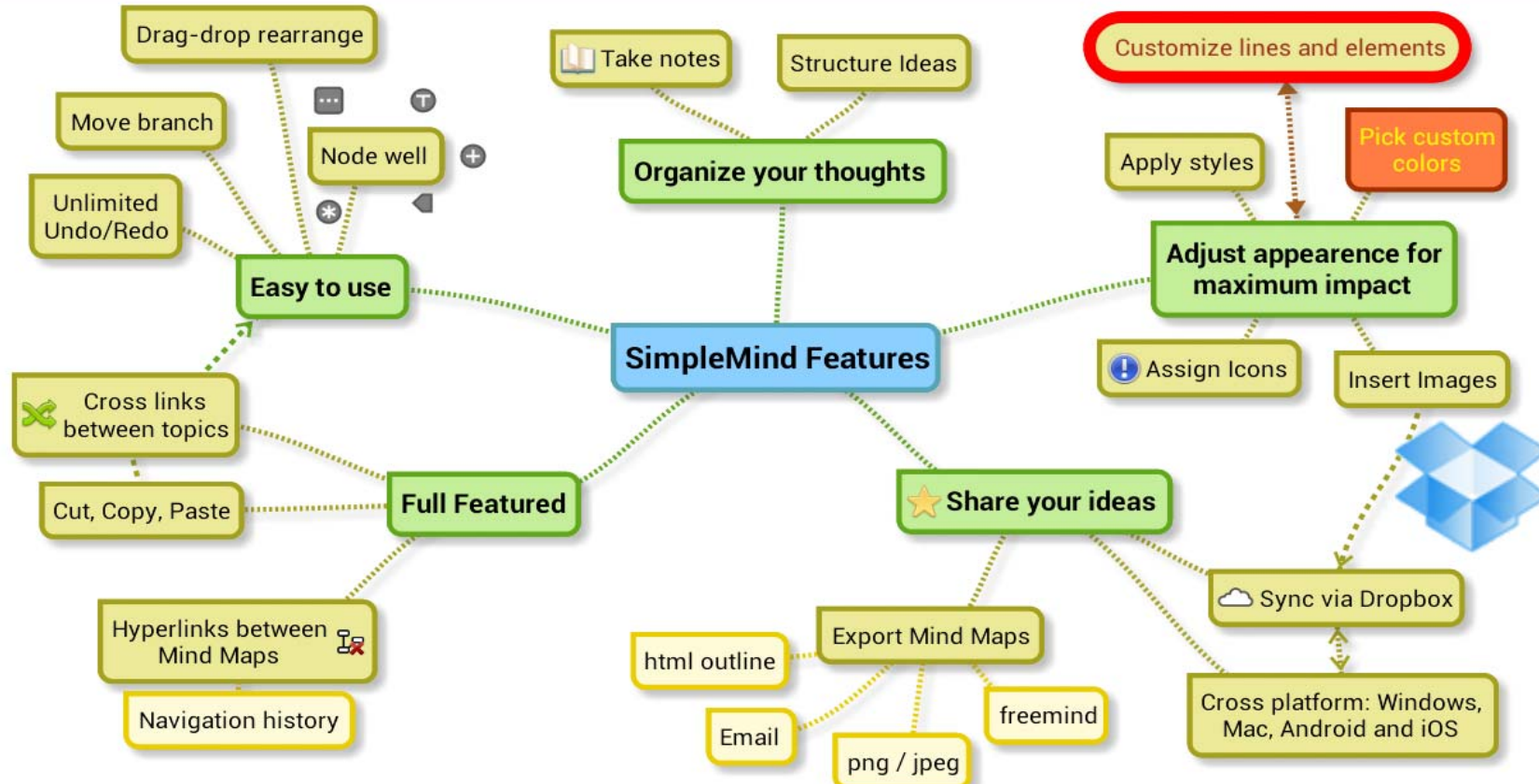


Anti-procrastination Apps



- To stop you looking at cute dogs.....
- freedom.to (“If this app was a movie character, it would be: Kathy Bates in *Misery*.”) ability to plan or choose time to block
- AntiSocial app – looks at your phone usage to then control usage
- Self control
- Phone out of reach
- Agree a strategy – one size doesn’t fit all

Mind Maps – on-line



*Simplemind mind-mapping app –
for smart phones and tablets
Paid version is better*



Start by collecting all your information

- Do they know where all their books for a subject are?
- Do they know where their assessment folders are?
- Do they need to sort out and organise them?
- Is there work that is missing? Copy it up or photocopy it.
- Do this **now**.

Don't Fall Over!

- Be absolutely sure they know what **subject** they are taking.
- Be absolutely sure they know what **papers** they are taking.
- Be absolutely sure what sort of **questions** they'll be asked.

SOME QUESTIONS

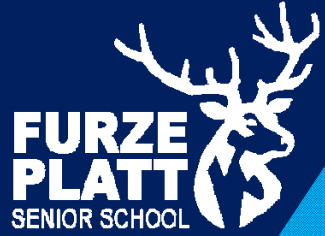
- 1. How can you help keep your child's stress levels down?
- 2. In what ways can you show your child support?
- 3. In what ways can you help them stay organised and motivated?
- 4. Will you have to change your routines during the exam period to support their revision?
- 5. On exam days how can you help them be on time, calm and properly prepared?
- 6. How can you help them with their home learning environment?

A CHECK LIST

- Encourage and Praise
- Show an interest
- Limit but don't ban social activities
- Try to limit background distractions like the TV
- Take an active role when appropriate!!!
- Keep things in perspective
- Encourage sensible sleep patterns
- Try to provide a good revision environment

**Wednesday 21st June: Year 11
Graduation and Book Return**

Thursday 22nd June: Year 11 Prom



Results Day

Thursday 24th August 2017

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