

CHEMISTRY GCSE

Exam	Duration	Marks available	% of GCSE	Topics/ content
Chemistry paper 1	1 hour 45 minutes	100	50%	Topics 1–5: Atomic structure and the periodic table; Bonding, structure, and the properties of matter; Quantitative chemistry, Chemical changes; and Energy changes.
Chemistry paper 2	1 hour 45 minutes	100	50%	Topics 6–10: The rate and extent of chemical change; Organic chemistry; Chemical analysis, Chemistry of the atmosphere; and Using resources.

Before revising, students should complete personal learning checklists for their subjects. These ask students to RAG rate both the topics/ content of their exams and also the skills they are required to use. Doing this will help them to identify priorities and make effective use of their revision time.

Personal Learning Checklists

Topic (what I need to know)	R	A	G
1. Atomic structure and the periodic table			
2. Bonding, structure, and the properties of matter			
3. Quantitative chemistry			
4. Chemical changes			
5. Energy changes			
6. The rate and extent of chemical change			
7. Organic chemistry			
8. Chemical analysis			
9. Chemistry of the atmosphere			
10. Using resources			

Skill	R	A	G
Be able to extract data from a table or graph to support a conclusion or suggestion.			
Structure longer questions to gain the maximum number of marks.			
Name scientific equipment and be able to describe how to use it safely.			
Use scientific terms to explain your ideas.			
Use concept diagrams to express and idea.			
Find and explain patterns in data and observations.			
Know required practical methods and the questions that might be applied to them.			

TOP REVISION TIPS FOR CHEMISTRY GCSE

You can find the GCSE specification at <http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/science/gcse/chemistry-8462>

On-line resources

YouTube is a good place to look for videos of scientific methods and experiments that you might not remember or have missed in class. Make sure you have a thorough understanding of each **required practical** and how it can be performed safely. You can find a complete list including the suggested methods for each practical at <http://www.aqa.org.uk/resources/science/gcse/teach/practicals>

1. Making salts
2. Neutralisation
3. Electrolysis
4. Temperature changes
5. Rates of reaction
6. Chromatography
7. Identifying ions
8. Water purification

There are also some helpful apps and websites that are free to visit;

- KS4 GCSE bitesize website <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zrkw2hv>
- My GCSEscience website <https://www.youtube.com/user/myGCSEscience>
- General KS4 science revision <http://www.gcscience.com/>



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