



AQA A Level Business

Year 12 Transitional Material Booklet

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Welcome to A Level Business and Sixth Form at Saint Paul's Catholic School! I'm Mrs. Bhana, and I'm excited to embark on this journey with both familiar and new faces. Over the coming years, we'll delve into the world of business, where hard work, dedication, and yes, perhaps a few nerves, will pave the way for memorable experiences and exciting career paths.

This workbook is your ticket to success. It's packed with tasks and instructions designed to prepare you for the academic year ahead. Be sure to save it digitally and complete it using a laptop or computer. Then, print it out before our first lesson. If you encounter any difficulties along the way, don't hesitate to reach out to me via email (you'll find my address at the front of this booklet).

This is your moment to shine and leave a lasting impression. Let's dive straight into business!

Equipment you will need for business:

- Slim ring binder folder with a set of dividers (for during lessons)
- Well-equipped pencil case (including highlighters- very helpful for annotations)
- Calculator
- A4 Lined paper pad

Textbook and additional support books:

The following is the **core textbook** (Compulsory to purchase) I would strongly advise you not to keep this last minute. This is currently available on Amazon.

[AQA A-level Business \(Surrey and Gillespie\) By \(Surrey & Gillespie\) Paperback – 30 Aug. 2019](#)

Additional Support Books (please have a look copy and paste into Amazon):

- 1) **CGP Style:** AS and A-Level Business: AQA Complete Revision & Practice (with Online Edition) (CGP A-Level Business) Paperback – 2 Sept. 2019
- 2) **Good for Revision:** Revise AQA A level Business Revision Guide and Workbook: with FREE online edition (REVISE AS/A level AQA Business) Paperback – 29 Sept. 2016
- 3) **Help with Business Maths:** Essential Maths Skills for AS/A Level Business Paperback – 29 April 2016
- 4) **Ready-made Revision Notes:** My Revision Notes: AQA A Level Business Paperback – 30 Dec. 2016

Websites and Information about AQA Business:

- 1) **AQA is our examining board** I have linked the key website below something you will need to refer to if you are interested in how you are assessed and the content of our lessons broken down:

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/business/as-and-a-level/business-7131-7132/specification-at-a-glance>

Formula sheet for the 2 years: These will be learnt off by heart

<https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/business/AQA-7131-7132-FORMULAE.PDF>

- 2) **Tutor2u a key resource** not only I use when teaching but also fantastic if you like watching videos, doing online quizzes, revision notes.

<https://www.tutor2u.net/business/topics>

- 3) **Finally one of the most important NEWS** I cannot stress how important it is as a business student to keep up to date with business, economic and political current affairs. This needs to become a habit and integrated especially now into your daily life. Reading, watching, listening to the news and a podcast is so vital at A level especially when developing high level exam skills.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds>

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk/business>



Compulsory Induction Tasks

DEADLINE: **First Business lesson with Mrs Bhana** of the new academic term.

EXPECT a Numeracy TEST in the first week of arrival. So, make sure you have taken some time over summer to go over your basic Maths skills.

Please ensure the work you produce is your own work and not directly from the internet. This is your time to shine and make a good first impression!

Task 1: Key word Task

What do these business terms mean? Here is your chance to familiarise yourself with some key business terminology that will be used in conversation during this course. Learn and define them/what do they mean.

The Recession:
The Business Cycle:
Disposable Income:
Price and Income Elasticity of Demand:
Monopoly:
Collateral:
Return on Investment (ROI):
Economies and diseconomies of scale:

Task 2: Research Task (Amazon)

Conduct a SWOT analysis for Amazon bullet point facts. Supporting notes:

<https://www.tutor2u.net/business/reference/swot-analysis>

<https://www.tutor2u.net/business/reference/swot-analysis-video>

<p><u>Strengths: (what strengths do they hold as a company?)</u></p>	<p><u>Weaknesses: (areas that may need improving on)</u></p>
<p><u>Opportunities: (what opportunities as a brand do they have in the future)</u></p>	<p><u>Threats: (who or what are their biggest threats what could they do about it could link in with opportunity)</u></p>

Task 3: The Business Cycle

Draw, label and annotate the business cycle. What happens at each stage for example: Disposable income, employment, interest rates, house prices, GDP, consumer confidence etc

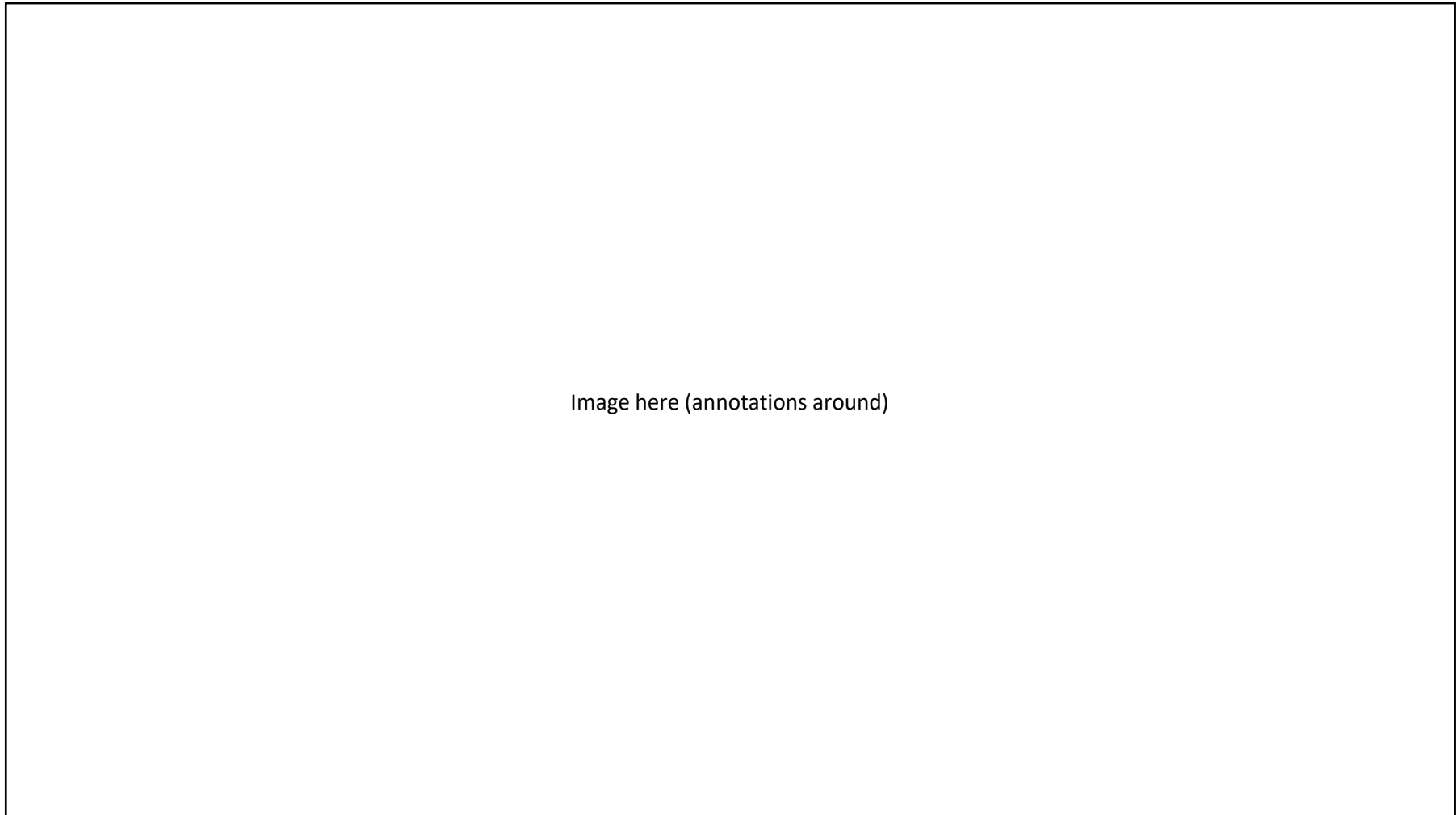


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Task 4: Information sheet regarding The Great 2008/2009 Recession

Brief overview:

Major businesses and industries affected:

Speak to someone at home or a relative and ask them if they remember the recession and how did affect them or anyone they knew:

Your opinions about the recession and how did we recover:

Well done for completing all the tasks! Make sure you go back and read pages 2 and 3 again to familiarise yourself with the expectations when you start on the first day.

Please feel free to contact me regarding any issues or questions you may have.

Checklist:

	<u>Tick when completed</u>	<u>Notes:</u>
Core Text-book purchased		
Equipment prepared		
Read and completed the transitional book		
Printed off the booklet ready for my first lesson		
Downloaded BBC News app		
Keeping up to date with business news (making a small personal journal of business news!)		