

Welcome to WHA



Things that you can do to
prepare for life in Sixth Form

What is Sixth form like?



"I find that not having strict uniform rules has been an absolute game-changer for me. Being able to have actual control over how you look, and present is amazing and having the choice to dye your hair or get piercings (without having to hide them) and overall choose how you look is even better than you can imagine. I'd also say that being able (and having!) to manage my time has definitely been a learning experience, but a very necessary one I'm honestly glad I had now rather than later. I do think that being in school even when I didn't have classes made the process a lot easier since I'm used to working in school. In terms of independent study, being able to wear headphones has been a complete lifesaver since even when people are talking around you, you can still create a little bubble of focus."

"The key thing for sixth form for me is the sense of freedom and control. It is strongly reinforced through the sixth form lesson structure that you are now at the helm of your education, not only in the sense of flexibility and a stronger, more personal relationship with your teachers, but also in that it is your choice whether you succeed or fail. A student at sixth form has the freedom to make honest and reasonable choices about their education and at Winterstoke, our strong culture of student-teacher collaboration makes that flexibility possible with not only how you are taught but also where, when, what and by whom being a united effort between students and teachers. The smaller, more personal education that comes with that freedom builds a very strong collaborative culture that helps students find themselves and make informed choices moving forward."



Top 10 study habits of successful students



1. Get Your Motivation Sorted

Ask yourself why are you studying the courses you've chosen? Establish your motivation for studying.

2. Be Clear About How Your Courses are Assessed

Find out which exams and assignments count towards your final assessment. For each subject you're studying, get a copy of the specification and go through the section about assessment.

3. Work Consistently

From the very beginning of Year 12, make sure you put in a regular amount of work each week, with extra input around key deadlines and exams. As a general rule, each hour you spend in the classroom should be matched by at least one hour of independent study.

4. Make The Most Of Study Periods

Using your study periods productively is vital to your success in the Sixth Form. It's so easy to fritter them away but resist this temptation. Prepare in advance what you're going to do during study periods.

5. Consolidate Work From Day One

With so much to learn and remember, it's important to keep on top of things as you go along. Whether it's trying to make sense of current topics in each subject, writing revision cards, tackling extra questions, watching topic-related videos or reading textbooks, consolidating your understanding is something you should be doing from the very beginning.



6. Organise Your Folders

Have a separate folder for each subject, label each folder on the outside, label file dividers for each new topic as it is introduced, make an index in the front of each folder, write page numbers and dates on your notes, hole punch loose sheets of paper or put them in punched plastic pockets.

7. Use To-Do Lists

If there's one single habit you should work hard to get into, it's writing a daily to-do list. A to-do list can be written on an app, notepad or large sticky note and is best done first thing in the morning. You could write one every day or only on days when you've got a lot to get done. Include not only tasks relating to your studies but also things you need to do in your own time.

8. Use Exam Board Websites

Exam board websites are packed full of useful information, so bookmark them. Make full use of the course specification, past papers, specimen papers, mark schemes, examiners' reports and information on UMS/grade boundaries.

9. Engage With Your Teachers

Your teachers are probably the best study resource you've got as they're experts and can provide important insights into their subject. Ask questions during lessons and check things with them outside of lessons.

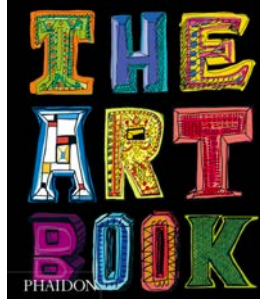
10. Healthy Study-Life Balance

Studying in the Sixth Form involves a lot of hard work. But a healthy work-life balance must allow time for social activities and interests.

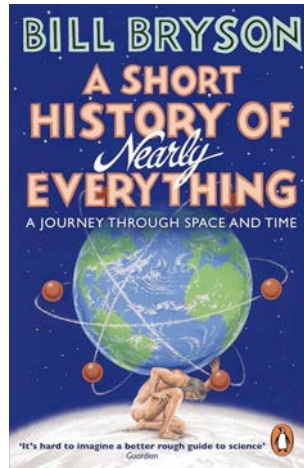
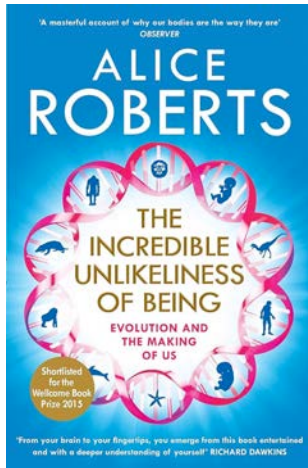
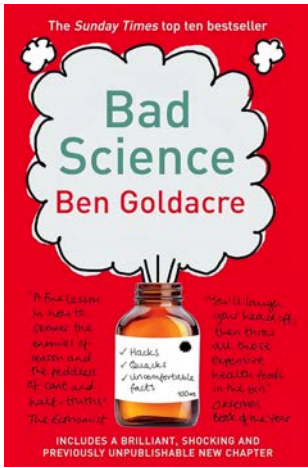
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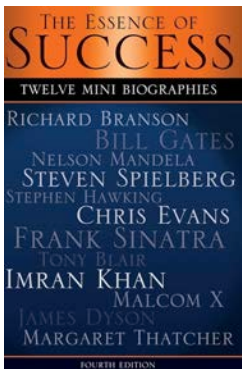
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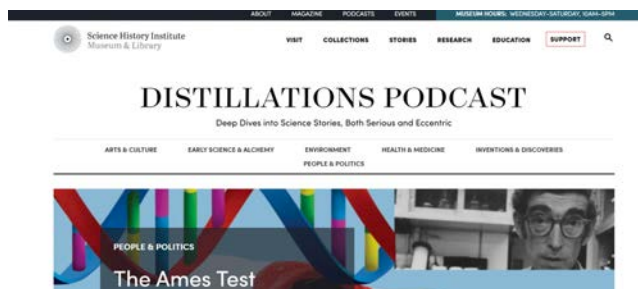
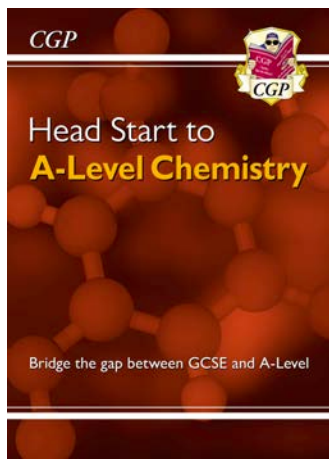
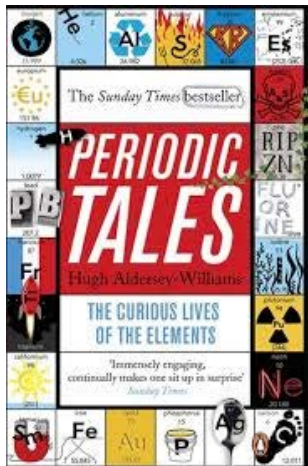


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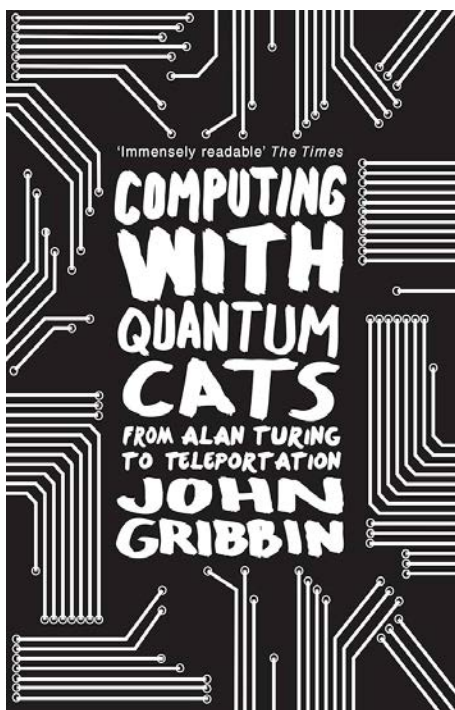


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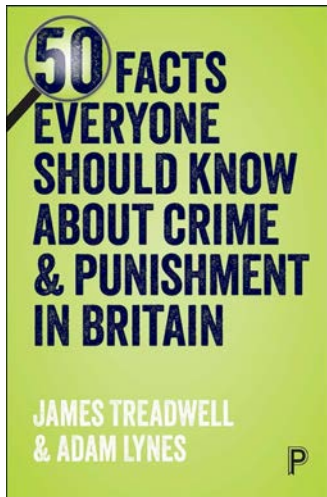
Chemistry



Computer Science



Criminology



Watch your favourite crime series. We love Criminal Minds (quite gory) Go and sit in the spectator gallery at the local courts and watch justice in action.

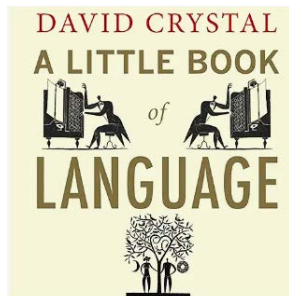
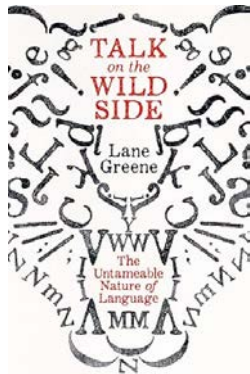
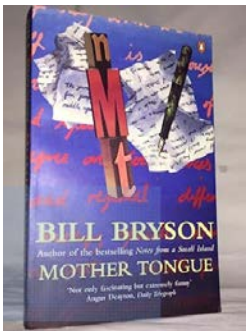


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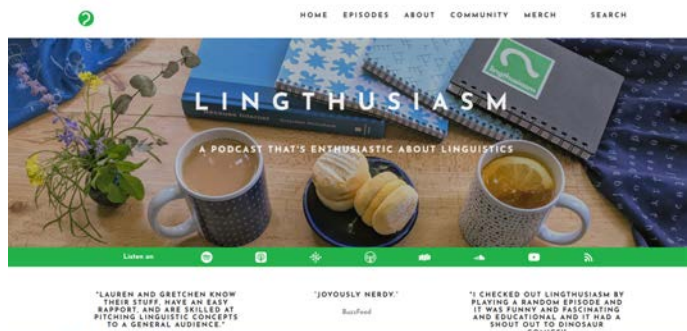
Create a fact file on the following practitioners which will be explored during the development of contemporary and street dance during Year 1. Contemporary - Loie Fuller. Street dance - Don Campbell.



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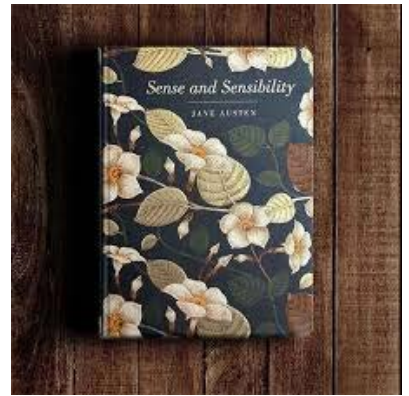
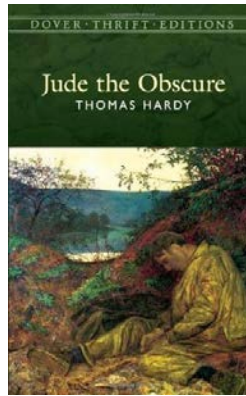


Netflix: A History of Swear words

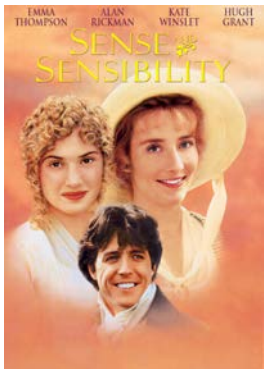


English Literature

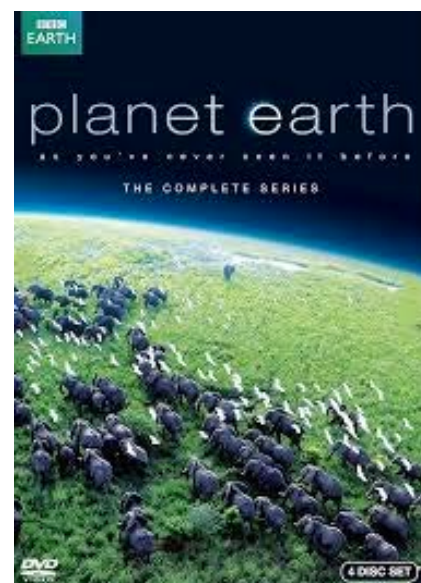
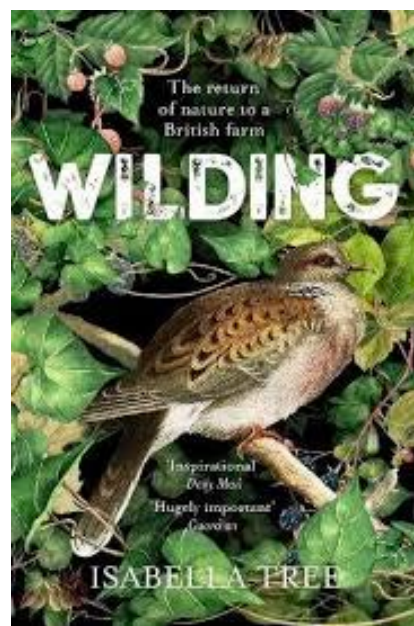
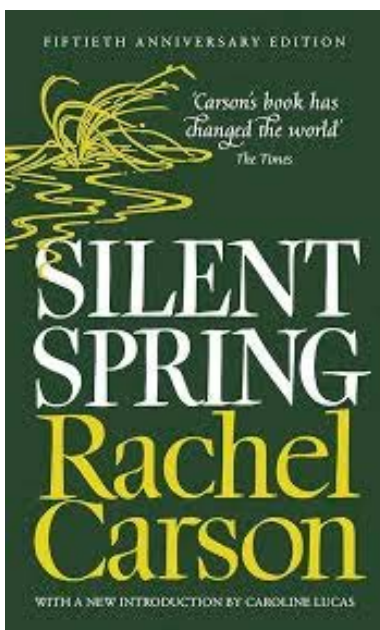
Read a text from one of the following time periods: Regency e.g. Jane Austen, Victorian e.g. Thomas Hardy, Modern e.g. Margaret Atwood. Be ready to discuss what you have read and your thoughts on it.



Watch film adaptations of a novel you have read e.g. Sense and Sensibility on Netflix. Reflect on how it has been adapted. Visit a place associated with a writer eg. Clevedon, Nether Stowey, Bath, Stratford Upon Avon



Environmental Science



French



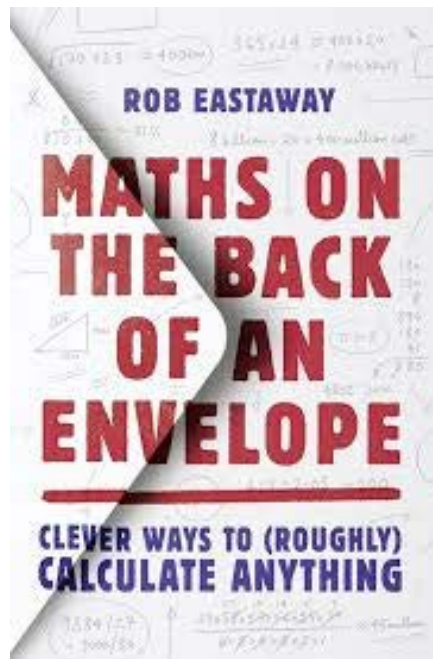
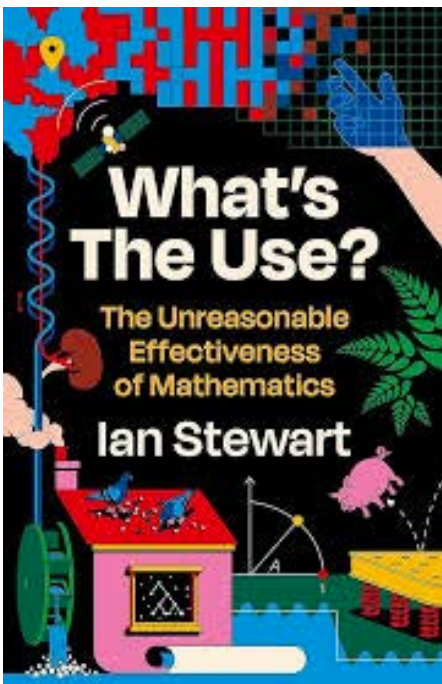
Français



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Maths and Further Maths



For interesting, recreational maths for the summer holidays, we recommend any of the excellent books by Ian Stewart or Rob Eastaway.

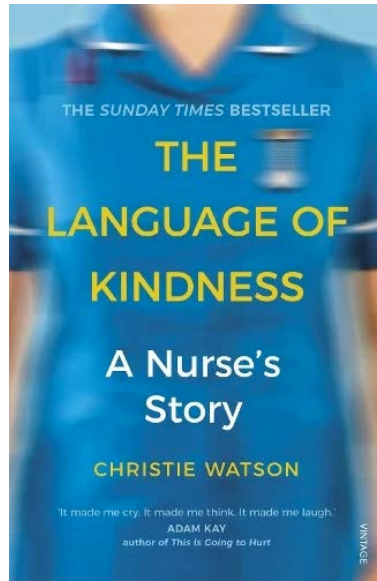
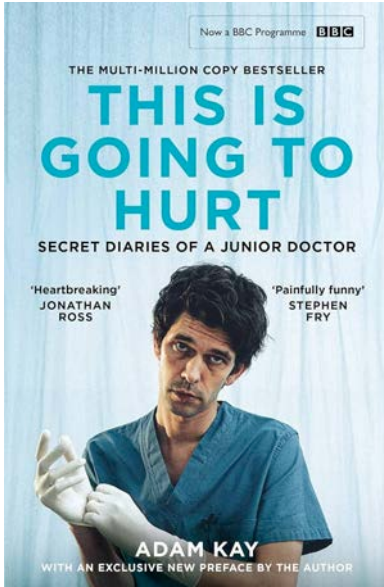
Also, subscribe for free to the AMSP magazine, SUMS:



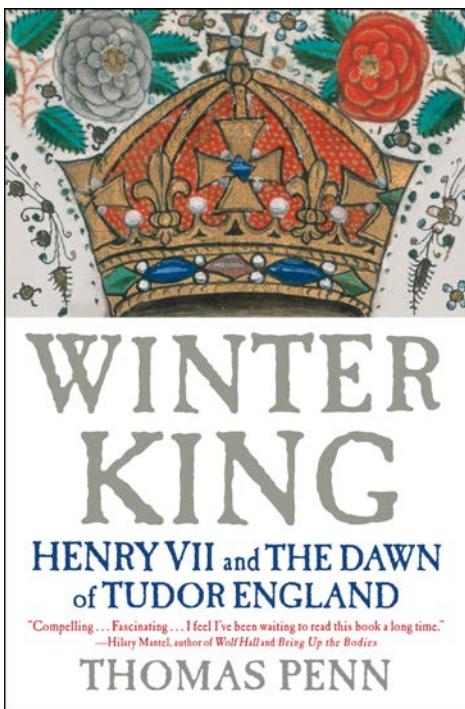
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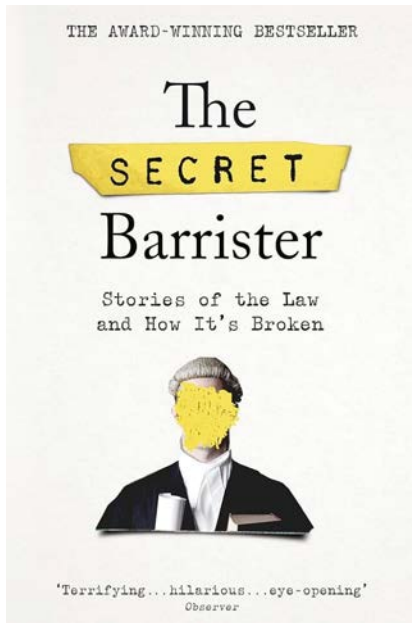
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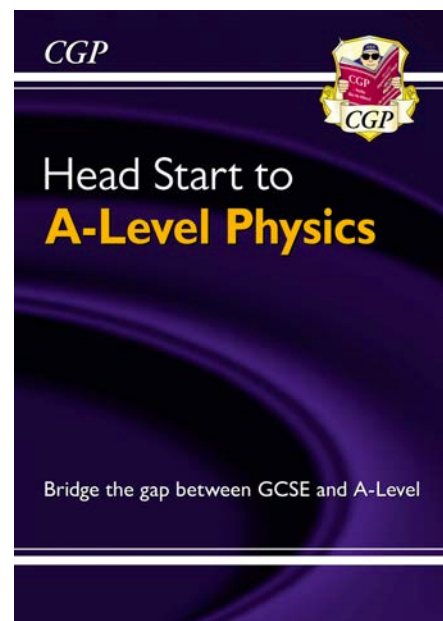
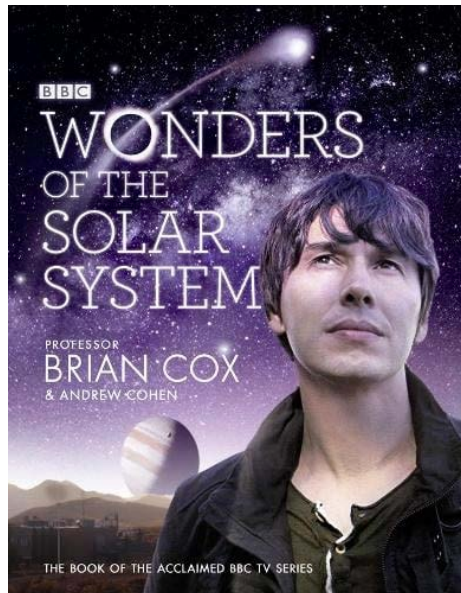
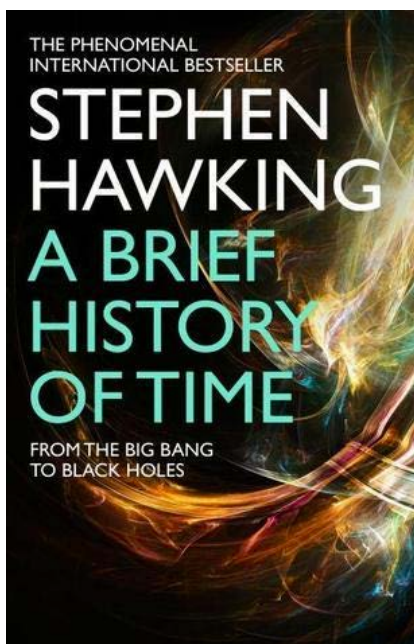
History



Law



Physics



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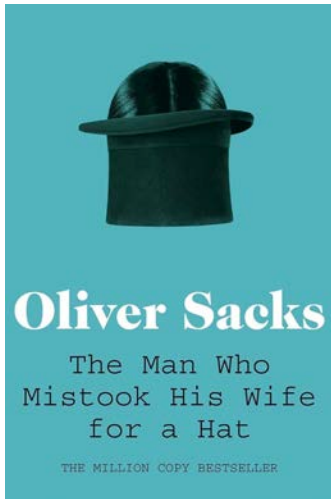
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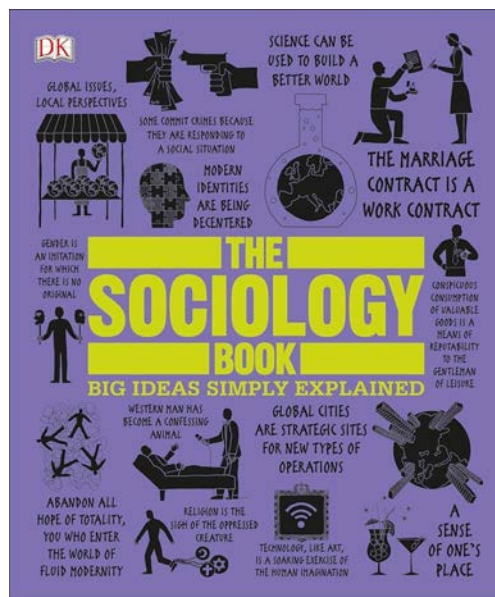
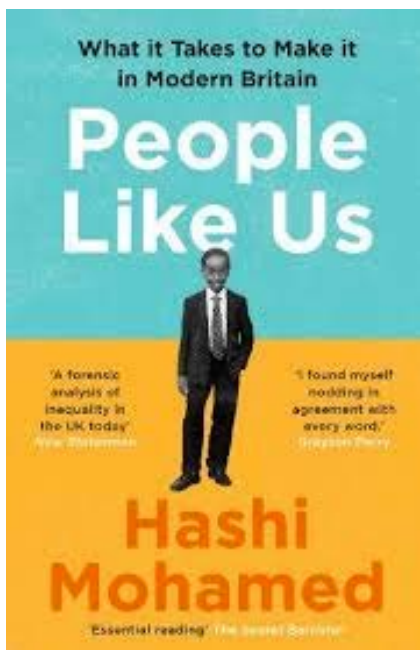
Lewis Matheson

Psychology

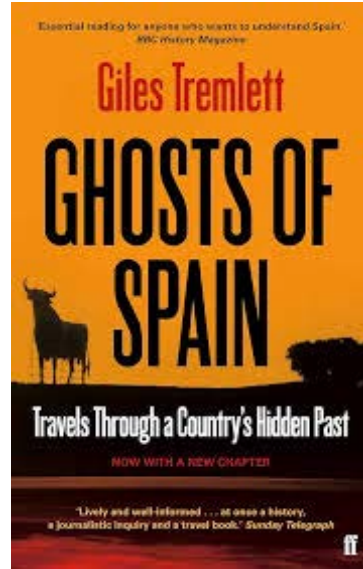


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Sociology



Spanish



Watch "El laberinto del fauno" in Spanish with English subtitles. Watch other Guillermo Del Toro movies, like "The Shape of Water" or "The Devil's Backbone" in preparation for studying the film. Also consider watching the film adaptation of "Como agua para chocolate", which follow the book very closely.

What shall I wear?

One of the exciting things about leaving school and attending P16 is that you no longer have to wear uniform. That does come with its own stresses of then having the full choice of what to wear!

We do not have a dress code as such at Winterstoke Hundred P16, you should dress appropriately for an education environment and in particular any safety requirements of your subject.

Most of our students wear jeans/ leggings and t-shirt/hoodies. This is absolutely fine. You should not wear anything with offensive slogans/ words or pictures.



What do we eat?

You can bring your own food to eat, you can buy food from the school canteen or alternatively you are free to leave site when there are no lessons so you can always pop home if close or go to local amenities.

Any questions

You may well have other specific questions that we can go through with you. Please email claire.kelly@clf.uk and someone will get back to you if you have any further questions.

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