How to use Flashcards

- Decide on your topic will you need questions and answers, keywords and definitions or ideas and key information?
- When you have made multiple cards, it's time to test yourself. Pick up the first card and read the keywords/phrase.
- Try to recall as much of the information as you can.
- Flip over the card and see if you got the answer(s) right.
- If you're happy you got the information right, put that card on the 'right' pile. If you got the information wrong or incomplete, put it on the 'wrong' pile.
- REPEAT REGULARLY!





Why are Flashcards such a great revision tool?

A Great Memory Aid

By repeating the same information over and over again and by laying it out in a clear way, you will improve your long-term memory.

Learn on the Go

If you are travelling or on the go, you can keep your flashcards with you and maximize all the available revision time you have. Flashcards are a great way of self-testing. You can flick through them and test yourself by regurgitating the facts. You can digest entire topics in a very portable and efficient way, helped by visuals if necessary.

Time Management

Flashcards will save you time. Rather than wading through pages and pages of text or numbers, you will have the key points that you need to memorize for each topic available at your fingertips.

Summarizing Information

Flashcards are a perfect way to summarize even the most complex information. If you find a piece of information difficult to grasp of or you are having difficulty retaining facts or figures, then try putting them down in clear points on a flashcard and keep reading over them until you are confident that you are mastering the important points.

Sharing the load

Work with a friend. Get them to make cards for one topic while you make them for another. This way you can cover twice as much revision. - AND if you test each other, it can be a fun way of learning

REMEMBER!
Look online for
free Apps or even
'How to..' videos
on You Tube

TOP TIP: Start with 10 cards and once you have got all of them right a few times in a row, add 5 new cards.

When you are getting a card right every time, take it out - but remember Spaced Repetition and bring it back into your revision every week to refresh your memory