



# The Bridge to Post-16 Summer Work



This pack contains a programme of activities and resources to prepare you to embark on your post-16 course in EPQ in September.

It should be completed throughout the remainder of the summer term and over the Summer Holidays to ensure you are ready to start your course in September.

**You MUST have this pack completed before your first lesson in the subject.**

The resources include:

1. Links to three websites where you can research the topics you will be exploring in the course and get a flavour of what you will be learning about in Post-16.
2. Research task on key pre-knowledge topics that will help you to be successful in your course.
3. Other relevant revision/questions to help bridge between GCSE and Post-16 courses.
4. Suggested tips to help you if you are struggling with the tasks.

Overall we suggest you spend around 3 hours of total work working through the tasks for EPQ. Therefore in total, across your 3 subjects you should be completing 9 hours of Summer Work.

## Useful Websites

- <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/projects/project-qualifications/EPQ-7993/specification-at-a-glance>
- <https://www.primrosekitten.com/pages/epq-homepage>
- <https://www.open.edu/openlearn/epq-help-and-tips>

## Your Task

If you would like to be considered for this course, you must submit an expression of interest. This should include:

- Why you are a suitable candidate
- The skills you have that will help you work independently and succeed
- How completing the EPQ will benefit you in the long term

Your expression of interest must be no longer than one side of A4 (font size 12). It can be neatly handwritten or emailed to [th.mcdonnell@johntaylorfreeschool.co.uk](mailto:th.mcdonnell@johntaylorfreeschool.co.uk)

**Additional research task:**

Find a topic that you would be interested in completing an EPQ on. Importantly, the topic shouldn't overlap with any of your A-Level studies so be sure to check the specifications to see what topics are covered.

**Deadline for this task:** First day in September.

**EPQ entry requirements:** Minimum of a Grade 6 in both English GCSEs **and** in one Humanity subject (History, Geography, or Religious Studies).

I look forward to reading your statement.

Best wishes,

Mr McDonnell (EPQ centre co-ordinator)

**Suggestions if you are struggling**

- Proofread your application letter with a parent/friend.
- If you can't decide a topic, but are still interested in completing the EPQ, don't worry as we can support you in choosing a topic.