

# Year 9 Curriculum Overview:



	Topics/ content outline:	Powerful Knowledge (key concepts, skills)	What will you be assessed on?	How can you help at home?
<b>Autumn Term</b>	<p>Motion 4.5.6.1 Describing Motion Along a Line:</p> <p>Waves 4.6.1.1 Transverse &amp; Longitudinal - Energy transfer/ medium/ amplitude/ frequency/ wavelength</p>	<p>Calculations using <math>\text{distance} = \text{speed} \times \text{time}</math> Average speed of instantaneous speed Distance-time graphs including gradients Acceleration &amp; using <math>\text{acceleration} = \frac{\text{change in speed}}{\text{time}}</math> Velocity-time graphs including gradients &amp; the area under lines (including curved lines)#</p> <p>Transverse &amp; Longitudinal waves – their nature &amp; examples of them. Amplitude, frequency, wavelength, medium</p>	<p>The Y9 topic "Motion" and some of the "Waves" topic.</p> <p>The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y9"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y9".</p>
<b>Spring Term</b>	<p>Waves 4.6.1.1 &amp; 4.6.1.2 Measuring the speed of sound. Period &amp; <math>T = \frac{1}{f}</math>. Using <math>v = f \lambda</math>. Making measurements of waves on a ripple tank</p> <p>Electromagnetic Waves 4.6.2.1 – 4.6.2.4 Types, properties, uses and applications of electromagnetic waves. Refraction.</p>	<p>Using the equation: <math>\text{wave speed} = \text{frequency} \times \text{wavelength}</math></p> <p>The nature of electromagnetic waves Applications of electromagnetic waves Reasons for the use of certain electromagnetic waves for particular purposes Refraction of electromagnetic waves at media interfaces explained in terms of wavelength &amp; speed change Representing refraction using ray diagrams</p>	<p>The Y9 topics "Motion" &amp; "Waves"</p> <p>The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y9"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y9".</p>
<b>Summer Term</b>	<p>Electricity (Parts of section 6) Current/PD/resistance. Circuits &amp; symbols. <math>W=QV</math>. <math>V=IR</math>. I-V for a fixed resistor. Series &amp; parallel circuits. Resistors in series and parallel.</p> <p>Atomic Structure 4.4 Atomic Structure: Atoms &amp; isotopes. Structure of atom. Development of the atomic model. Mass no. &amp; atomic no.</p>	<p>.Electrical current as a flow of charge. The interdependence of current, resistance and potential difference Connecting ammeters and voltmeters Investigating how the length of a wire affects its resistance Current-PD graph for a fixed resistance A selection of the standard circuit symbols (see checklist) The equations: <math>\text{PD} = \text{current} \times \text{resistance}</math> <math>\text{energy transferred} = \text{charge flow} \times \text{PD}</math></p> <p>The nuclear model &amp; evidence for the nuclear model Atomic structure, isotopes &amp; isotope notation</p>	<p>The Y9 topics "Motion", "Waves" &amp; "Electromagnetic Waves"</p> <p>The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y9"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y9".</p>

# Year 10 Curriculum Overview: **Physics (Combined Science – Trilogy)**



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Autumn Term	Forces & Motion Newton's Laws of Motion, Inertia, $F = ma$ , Acceleration due to gravity, Confirming $F = ma$ by experiment, Forces & Braking, Momentum	The nature of forces & named examples of forces Newton's 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> laws of motion Resultant force. Using $F = ma$ Weight, mass & grav. Field strength including $W = mg$ Explaining "terminal velocity" Explaining how thinking & braking distance are affected	The Y9 topic "Motion" and the Y10 topic "Forces & Motion"  The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y10 Trilogy ..."	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y10 Trilogy ...".</p>
	2) Nuclear Radiation Some nuclei are unstable. Nuclear emissions $\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\gamma$ & neutrons	The nature of alpha, beta & gamma radiations, their relative ionising power, penetrating power and range in air Activity of count rate & the unit "becquerel" (Bq)		
Spring Term	Nuclear Radiation	Half-life & the random nature of decay Calculations using half-life (limited to integer no.s of half-lives) Contamination & irradiation	The Y9 topics "Motion" & "Waves" and the Y10 topic "Forces & Motion"  The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y10 Trilogy ..."	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y10 Trilogy ...".</p>
	Y10 Electricity	Revision of Y9 Electricity (see Y9 page) Thermistors & LDRs The nature of filament lamps & diodes / LEDs Experiments investigating filament lamps & diodes		
Summer Term	Y10 Electricity	The application of LDRs, diodes and thermistors for responding to environmental change.	The Y9 topics "Motion", "Waves" & "Y9 Electricity" and the Y10 topics "Forces & Motion" & "Y10 Electricity"  The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y10 Trilogy ..."	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y10 Trilogy ...".</p>
	Energy	Types of energy stores. Explaining processes/events in terms of energy moving between stores. Conservation of energy Using some energy equations		



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NB some sets' studies will differ from this program due to their particular teaching arrangements



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<b>Spring Term</b>	<p>Nuclear Radiation</p> <p>Y10 Electricity</p> <p>IGS topic "Using Waves"</p>	<p>Half-life &amp; the random nature of decay Calculations using half-life (limited to integer no.s of half-lives) Contamination &amp; irradiation Fission Reactors. Background radiation. Medical uses.</p> <p>Revision of Y9 Electricity (see Y9 page) Thermistors &amp; LDRs The nature of filament lamps &amp; diodes / LEDs Experiments investigating filament lamps &amp; diodes Lenses &amp; ray diagrams. Seismic Waves &amp; the Earth's structure. Colour &amp; the Eye. Range finding. Reflection. Black-body radiation.</p>	<p>The Y9 topics "Motion" &amp; "Waves" and the Y10 topics "Forces &amp; Motion", "Using Waves" &amp; "Moments Levers &amp; Gears"</p> <p>The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y10 Trilogy ..."</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p><b>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y10".</b></p>
<b>Summer Term</b>	<p>Y10 Electricity</p> <p>Energy</p> <p>Space Physics</p>	<p>The application of LDRs, diodes and thermistors for responding to environmental change.</p> <p>Types of energy stores. Explaining processes/events in terms of energy moving between stores. Conservation of energy Using some energy equations</p> <p>Orbits. Red shift &amp; the expansion of the universe as evidence for the Big Bang. Dark Matter &amp; Dark Energy. The "life cycle" of stars.</p>	<p>The Y9 topics "Motion", "Waves" &amp; "Y9 Electricity" and the Y10 topics "Forces &amp; Motion", "Y10 Electricity", "Moments, Levers &amp; Gears" and "Using Waves"</p> <p>The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y10 Trilogy ..."</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p><b>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y10".</b></p>

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<b>Autumn Term</b>	Energy (continued from Y10) Forces & Elasticity (aka Forces, Bending & Stretching) Y11 Electricity (Mains electricity)	Energy stores, the transfer of energy between stores and the conservation of energy. Work done & power. Efficiency. Energy resources – pros/cons of different resources  Elastic & inelastic behaviour. The spring constant. Hooke's law  Alternating/direct current/PD. Mains PD, frequency & max current. Safety features – earthing & fuses Transformers used to maximise transmission efficiency	Y9 topics "Motion", "Waves", "Electromagnetic Waves", & "Y9 Electricity" Y10 topics "Forces & Motion", "Atomic Structure & Radioactivity", "Energy", "Forces & Elasticity" & "Y11 Electricity"  The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y11"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y10".</p>
<b>Spring Term</b>	Electromagnetism  Particle model of matter	Induced & permanent magnets Magnetic fields around bar magnets, conducting wires and solenoids The motor effect & $F = BIl$  Density. Measuring density. The nature of solids, liquids and gases – a particle model. Specific heat capacity & specific latent heat. Internal energy.	Y10 topics "Forces & Motion", "Energy" Y11 topics "Forces & Elasticity" & "Electromagnetism"  The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y11"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y10".</p>
<b>Summer Term</b>	Revision including past paper practice.	Everything!	Assessment could cover any topic & will depend on strengths/weaknesses identified in revision work.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> <p>Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y10".</p>

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<b>Spring Term</b>	Electromagnetism Particle model of matter Generators & Transformers Particles & Pressure	Induced & permanent magnets Magnetic fields around bar magnets, conducting wires and solenoids The motor effect & $F = BIl$ Density. Measuring density. The nature of solids, liquids and gases – a particle model. Specific heat capacity & specific latent heat. Internal energy Electromagnetic induction: microphones, transformers and generators Pressure in gasses. $pV = \text{constant}$	Y10 topics "Forces & Motion", "Energy" Y11 topics "Forces & Elasticity", "Electromagnetism", "Generators & Transformers" & "Particles & Pressure".  The most up-to-date listings re. what's on the tests will be on Showbie "Physics ALL Y11"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Question students to test their recall of the Knowledge Organisers ("KOs" or Checklists</li> <li>- Encourage students to turn KOs into fact cards</li> <li>- Encourage students to use fact cards properly</li> <li>- Encourage students to use the practice topic questions, or work on them together</li> <li>- Encourage students to follow the links to Bitesize or Free GCSE Science lessons &amp; show them how to use them effectively eg turning content into a visual representation, pausing &amp; rewinding where necessary.</li> </ul> Links, topic questions etc are available in the Showbie class "Physics ALL Y11".
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