



Active Exam Preparation and Revision Strategies

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2. Create
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Revision Technique: Designing your own Exam Questions

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How does it work?

- a) You are **given some assessment- or exam-style questions**
- b) You **answer these questions**, they get feedback and make DIRT improved answers
- c) You then use these questions and their learning of a topic to **design other possible questions**
- d) You then **answer your own questions** and either hand them in or self-assess.



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An alternative: Can you outfox your classmates?

- a) This involves **students designing their own 'super hard' questions** based on a topic and writing down what they believe to be the perfect answers.
- b) **Students verbally ask each other (on a 1-2-1) these questions** and others see if they can answer them. If answered correctly, they are ticked off. The challenge is how many questions can no one else answer
- c) These questions can then be **discussed** as a class



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Why does it work?

- **You become familiar** with the kinds of questions we ask and begin to see patterns
- Practicing existing questions that we have given you is a good start
- Of course, we do not want you to think that these are the only questions that you may be asked and fix your exam preparation on just learning these answers
- **Making you adaptive** to a broad range of questions is important so you feel you can attempt any kind of question that arises

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Active Revision Classwork/ Homework Activity

- a) Go on the **exam board website** or **answer the past exam questions** I have given
- b) Use the **mark scheme to green pen your answer**, indicating where you have triggered marks but also what extra or different things you could have said
- c) Give yourself **WWW comments** on what you did well that you need to remember
- d) Give yourself **EBI comments** on what you still need to remember.

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Answer the questions below in green pen:

- How well did it work? Does it help you to prepare for unexpected questions?
- What could you do next time or soon?

