



SIXTH FORM BRIDGING WORK & YEAR 11 DISCOVERY



Get Ready for Economics

Subject mind-set and BIG picture thinking & links...

Microeconomics examines individual markets within an economy – it is the study of who has all the money and how we can get our hands on it. Amazon are currently having the highest sales ever – do you know why? And do you know what the problems are with that?

Macroeconomics examines the economy as a whole – it is the study of what the government has spent all of their money on. At the time of writing, the Government is paying over 6 million people in the UK. Do you know why? Where will this money come from?

This challenging and fascinating social science will make you question the world around you, encourage your curiosity and get you arguing, sometimes with yourself!

Please explore the following tasks:

Work to complete

There are some excellent free online lessons to complete to get a head start in A Level Economics. Please go to each of these links, watch the videos and complete the activities

<https://www.tutor2u.net/economics/reference/globalisation-head-start-to-a-level-economics>

<https://www.tutor2u.net/economics/reference/head-start-economics-introduction-to-macroeconomics>

<https://www.tutor2u.net/economics/reference/unemployment-head-start-in-a-level-economics>

Also please explore the following

50 things that made the modern economy:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p04b1g3c/episodes/downloads>

Great podcasts:

<https://freakonomics.com/archive/>

<https://thecuriouseconomist.com/> (are you curious enough to click on the link?)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/m00095p0/the-americas-with-simon-reeve> (Do you know why we want you to watch this set of documentaries?)

Recommended reading

Please do **not** buy a textbook before starting the course. We will order through college to secure a discount.

If you would like to read a book which will help you to get ahead in Economics choose something from this reading list:

- The Undercover Economist & The UE Strikes back - Tim Harford
- Freakonomics series - Levitt and Dubner
- Economics in One Lesson - Henry Hazlitt
- The Economics Book - Niall Kishtainy

If you are a potential Russell Group University candidate and want something more challenging, read something from this list:

- Foundations of Economics - Andrew Gillespie
- The Wealth of Nations - Adam Smith
- The General Theory of Employment, Money and Interest - JM Keynes
- Principles of Economics - G. Mankiw

Teachers contact for questions and more information

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It is time to look forward and explore the courses you planning to study in the future.

Getting organised: Begin to set up a Learning folder digitally or at home for your chosen subjects.

(Shoreham Sixth Form has a way of organising this)