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Section	What I need to know/be able to do
1 & 2 - Algebra	<p>Add, subtract and multiply terms</p> <p>Solve linear equations involving multiplication and fractions</p> <p>Plot linear inequalities on numbers lines</p> <p>Solve simultaneous equations</p> <p>Rearrange equations</p> <p>Factorise expressions using HCF, grouping, guide number and difference of two squares methods</p> <p>Solve quadratic equations using the -b formula</p> <p>Apply indice rules</p> <p>Simplify surds</p>
3 - The Line	<p>Plot points on a cartesian plane</p> <p>Find the midpoint of two points</p> <p>Find the slope between two points using rise/run and a formula</p> <p>Find the distance between two points</p> <p>Calculate the equation of a line using a slope and a point</p> <p>Graph lines on a cartesian plane</p>

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	<p>Find the point of intersection of two lines graphically and using simultaneous equations</p> <p>Find the area of a triangle</p>
4 - The Circle	<p>Find the equation of circles with centre (0,0)</p> <p>Find the equation of circles with centre NOT (0,0)</p> <p>Determine whether points are inside, on or outside circles using algebra</p> <p>Find the point of intersection between circles and lines</p>
5 - Complex Numbers	<p>Plot complex numbers on an argand diagram</p> <p>Find the conjugate of a complex number</p> <p>Find the modulus of a complex number</p> <p>Add, subtract, multiply and divide complex numbers</p>
6 - Trigonometry	<p>Apply Pythagoras' theorem to calculate missing sides in right angled triangles</p> <p>Recognise the sin, cos and tan ratios and what sides they use as part of their ratio (sin = o/h etc.)</p> <p>Find missing sides and angles using sin, cos and tan in right-angled triangles</p> <p>Find the area of a triangle using trigonometry ($A = \frac{1}{2}ab\sin C$)</p> <p>Use both the Sine and Cosine rule to find missing sides and angles in non-right angled triangles</p>
7 - Probability	<p>Find simple probabilities</p> <p>Use the words 'and' and 'or' to find the probability of two events</p>

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	<p>Find probabilities using Venn diagrams</p> <p>Use the multiplication rule to find the probability of two events</p> <p>Outline probability events on tree diagrams</p> <p>Apply the fundamental principal of counting to determine the number of outcomes of two or more events</p> <p>Calculate how many ways certain objects can be arranged</p>
8 - Perimeter, Area & Volume	<p>Calculate the perimeter and area of triangles and quadrilaterals</p> <p>Find the area and perimeter (circumference) of circles and sectors</p> <p>Find the volume (using formulae) of cuboids, cylinders, cones and spheres</p> <p>Use the trapezoidal rule to find the area of irregular shapes</p>
9 - Statistics	<p>Distinguish between categorical (nominal and ordinal) and numerical (discrete and continuous data)</p> <p>Calculate the mean, mode, median and range of sets of data.</p> <p>Calculate the inter-quartile range of sets of data</p> <p>Calculate the mean of frequency tables and of grouped frequency tables (using mid-interval values)</p> <p>Calculate the standard deviation of a set of data by hand and by using your calculator</p> <p>Use the empirical rule to determine what sets of values 68%, 95% and 99% of values lie within 1,2 and 3 standard deviations of the mean</p> <p>Calculate the margin of error</p>

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	<p>Construct a 95% confidence interval</p> <p>Perform a hypothesis test at the 95% confidence interval</p> <p>Display data using histograms, bar charts, pie charts, stem and leaf diagrams and scatter plots</p> <p>Describe the shape of data distribution</p> <p>Calculate correlation coefficient and describe correlation in words</p>
10 - Patterns & Sequences	<p>Define what is meant by a sequence and term</p> <p>Find the general term of an arithmetic sequence $T_n = a + d(n-1)$</p> <p>Solve simultaneous equations to find the value of a and b when given terms in a sequence</p> <p>Define what is meant by a series</p> <p>Find the sum of an arithmetic series using the sum of a series formula</p> <p>Recognise what a quadratic sequence is</p> <p>Find the general form of a quadratic sequence using simultaneous equations</p>
11 - Applied Arithmetic	<p>Find the percentage of numbers. This includes being able to find 100% of a number if given 40% or 123% of the number. Always find 1% and then multiply by 100</p> <p>Calculate currency conversions using exchange rates</p> <p>Calculate income tax using standard rate and higher rate of tax</p> <p>Calculate USC and PRSI</p>

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	<p>Use the compound interest formula to find the value of a sum of money after a number of years</p> <p>Calculate AER</p>
12 - Geometry	<p>Calculate missing angles using vertically opposite, corresponding and alternate angles</p> <p>Prove triangles are congruent using SSS,SAS,ASA & RHS</p> <p>Find the area of triangles</p> <p>Find the lengths of missing sides in similar triangles using scale factors</p> <p>Find the lengths of missing lengths and sides in triangles within circles</p>
13 - Functions and Calculus	<p>Define what is meant by a function</p> <p>Substitute values into functions</p> <p>Graph linear, quadratic, cubic and exponential functions</p> <p>Analyse graphed functions to find points of intersection with x and y axis, maximum and minimum points, turning points, where graphs are positive and negative etc.</p> <p>Find the slope of a line using differentiation</p> <p>Find the slope of a curve at a given point using differentiation</p> <p>Find the equation of tangent lines to a curve</p> <p>Find turning points of curves and classify them as max and min using calculus</p> <p>Apply rates of change</p>

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