



Year group: Year 13

Subject: A-level business (Theme 4)

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1 and 2	Summer 1
Content	4.1 Globalisation	4.2 Global markets and business	Preparation for A-level business	Revision for exams
		expansion	research paper (paper 3)	
Declarative Knowledge –	4.1.1 Growing economies			- Exam technique
'Know What'	 Comparing growth rates 	4.2.4 Reasons for global mergers and	- Market research	- Theme 1 content
	- Growing economic powers of	joint ventures	- Company research	- Theme 2 content
	countries in other parts of the	 Spreading risk over different 	- Exam question considerations	
	world	countries/regions		
	- Implications of economic growth	- Entering new markets/trade blocs	Revision for exams	
	for individuals and business	 Acquiring national/international 		
	 Indicators of growth 	brand names/patents	- Exam technique	
		 Securing resources/supplies 	- Theme 1 content	
	4.1.2 International trade and business	 Maintaining/increasing global 	- Theme 2 content	
	growth	competitiveness		
	- Exports and imports			
	 The link between specialisation 	4.2.5 Global competitiveness		
	and competitive advantage	- The impact of movements in		
	 Foreign direct investment (FDI) 	exchange rates		
	and business growth	 Competitive advantage through: 		
		cost competitiveness and		
	4.1.3 Factors contributing to increased	differentiation		
	globalisation	- Skill shortages and their impact on		
	 Reduction of international trade 	international competitiveness		
	barriers/trade liberalisation			
	- Political change	4.3 Global marketing		
	 Reduced cost of transport and 			
	communication	4.3.1 Marketing		
	 Increased significance of global 	 Global marketing strategy and 		
	(transnational) companies	global localisation (glocalisation)		
	- Increased investment flows (FDI)	- Different marketing approaches:		
	- Migration (within and between	- Application and adaptation of the		
	economies)	marketing mix (4Ps) and Ansoff's		
	- Growth of the global labour force	Matrix to global markets		
	- Structural change			
		4.3.2 Niche markets		
	4.1.4 Protectionism	- Cultural diversity: recognition that		
	- Tariffs	groups of people across the globe		
	- Import quotas	have different interests and values		
	- Other trade barriers	- Features of global niche markets		
		- Application and adaptation of the		
	4.1.5 Trading blocs	marketing mix (4Ps) to suit global		
	 Expansion of trading blocs 	niches		





- Impact on businesses of trading	4.3.3 Cultural/social factors
blocs	- Considerations for businesses:
	cultural differences, tastes,
4.2 Global markets and business	language, unintended meanings,
expansion	etc.
4.2.1 Conditions that prompt trade	4.4 Global industries and companies
 Push factors 	
- Pull factors 4.4.1 The impact of Multi-National	
 Possibility of off-shoring and 	Companies (MNCs)
outsourcing	- Impact on MNCs on the local
- Extending the product life cycle by	economy
selling in multiple markets	- Impact of MNCs on the national
	economy
4.2.2 Assessment of a country as a	
market	4.4.2 Ethics
- Factors to consider in assessing a	 Stakeholder conflicts
country as a market: income,	 Pay and working conditions
infrastructure, political stability,	- Environmental considerations
etc.	- Supply chain considerations
	- Marketing considerations
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4.2.3 Assessment of a country as a production location

 Factors to consider in assessing a country as a production location: labour, infrastructure, political stability, etc.

4.4.3 Controlling MNCs

 Factors to consider in controlling MNCs: political influence, legal control, social media, pressure groups





Skills

Procedural Knowledge – 'Know How'

4.1 Globalisation

- Analyse and evaluate the impact of developing economies
- Analyse and evaluate the impact of growth on individuals and businesses
- Analyse and evaluate the indicators of growth for developed and developing countries
- Explain the effect of countries exporting and importing goods on businesses and individuals
- Explain how businesses achieve an international competitive advantage through specialisation
- Explain the effect of FDI on business
- Explain how different factors lead to globalisation
- Analyse the impact of a country using protectionist policies
- Analyse the impact of trading blocs

4.2 Global markets and business expansion

- Analyse and evaluate the conditions that prompt trade: Push and/or Pull.
- Analyse and evaluate the decision to move production abroad.
- Assess the factors that must be considered when moving to an international market
- Assess the factors that must be considered when moving production abroad

4.2 Global markets and business expansion

- Explain the reasons for merging internationally
- Assess the factors that make a business globally competitive

4.3 Global marketing

- Analyse the factors a business must consider when marketing internationally.
- Evaluate how a business must adapt their strategy and marketing for international markets

4.4 Global industries and companies

- Analyse and evaluate the impact of MNCs.
- Explain how stakeholders may conflict in their objectives
- Analyse and evaluate the decisions a firm must make which have ethical considerations
- Explain how different factors control MNCs

Preparation for A-level business research paper (paper 3)

- Identification of the sub-markets in the research topic
- Identification of key market data: saturation, growth, trends
- Identification of key competitors within the market
- A SWOT and PESTLE analysis of the competition in the market
- Interpretation of the research to create potential exam questions

Revision for exams

- Interpret statistical data to generate assumptions of business decisions.
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4.1 Globalisation

- What is the impact of growing economies on individuals and businesses?
- What are the factors that have caused economic growth?
- What is International Trade?
- Why do countries trade?
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- What are the main costs and benefits of trading for producers and consumers?
- What is a competitive advantage?
- What is specialisation?
- How does a business achieve competitive advantage?
- What causes globalisation?
- What are the impact of a country using protectionist policies?
- Why do countries use protectionist policies?
- What are the components of a trading bloc?
- How does being a member of a trading bloc benefit its members?

4.2 Global markets and business expansion

- What are push factors?
- What are pull factors?
- What has caused a business to move into an international market?
- Why do businesses move production overseas?
- What factors should be considered when entering an overseas market?
- What factors should be considered when moving production overseas?

4.2 Global markets and business expansion

- What are the benefits of merging with an international business?
- What are the drawbacks of merging with an international business?
- Should businesses merge together?
- What does a business need to be globally competitive?

4.3 Global marketing

- What approach should a business take when marketing internationally?
- What factors must businesses consider when marketing to an overseas market?
- How might a business adapt the marketing mix for an international market?

4.4 Global industries and companies

- What are MNCs
- How do MNCs affect consumers, workers, and domestic businesses in a developing economy?
- Why do different stakeholders conflict?
- What information and stakeholders must a firm consider when making a business decision?
- How can we control MNC behaviour?
- What is the biggest factor in controlling MNCs?

Preparation for A-level business research paper (paper 3)

- What are the key markets that make up the research topic?
- What is the current market trends for the market in question?
- What objectives do these firms have?
- What is the nature of the products in the market?
- Who are the key stakeholders affected by market decisions?
- What is the current situation with businesses and the market?

Revision for exams

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Assessment	4.1 Globalisation	4.2 Global markets and business	Past exam Questions	Past exam Questions
		expansion	Exam questions and case studies	Exam questions and case studies
		4.3 Global marketing	Year 13 Trial exams	
		4.4 Global industries and companies		
Literacy/Numeracy/	- Numeracy : Interpreting numerical			
SMSC/Character	data and graphs in business			
	decision making	decision making	decision making	decision making
	- Literacy : building arguments using			
	business terminology, developing	business terminology, developing	business terminology, developing	business terminology, developing
	analytical and evaluative	analytical and evaluative	analytical and evaluative	analytical and evaluative
	paragraphs using data and			
	contextual evidence from case			
	studies.	studies.	studies.	studies.
	- SMSC : students explore the			
	rationale behind decisions made			
	by consumers, businesses and the			
	government. Through this,	government. Through this,	government. Through this,	government. Through this,
	students are given the chance to			
	reflect on how the actions of these			
	agents affect society socially,			
	morally, and culturally.	morally, and culturally.	morally, and culturally.	morally, and culturally.
	- Character: students build			
	character through being put			
	through realistic business	through realistic business	through realistic business	through realistic business
	scenarios that test their ability to			
	take the initiative and be			
	confident in displaying their			
	creativity and aspirations.	creativity and aspirations. Business	creativity and aspirations.	creativity and aspirations. Business
	Business scenarios will also help	scenarios will also help them	Business scenarios will also help	scenarios will also help them
	them consider differing views	consider differing views which will	them consider differing views	consider differing views which will
	which will help them develop	help them develop tolerance,	which will help them develop	help them develop tolerance,
	tolerance, integrity and resilience.	integrity and resilience.	tolerance, integrity and resilience.	integrity and resilience.