How You Can Help Your Child Revise Effectively…

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The Topics your child will be tested on are:

* Reading Skills:
* Understanding an ‘unseen’ text,
* Writing a clear and detailed response,
* Choosing and using quotations,
* Analysing writers’ methods (language and structural choices),
* Exploring the effects of the methods used by the writer.
* Writing Skills:
* Clear and interesting writing
* Adopting the appropriate tone/mood
* Choosing and use a good vocabulary and language devices/techniques
* Use of varied structural features
* Well connected paragraphs and connectives
* Use a variety of punctuation and sentence types

Recommended revision sites/resources:

* <https://wordsforlife.org.uk/zone-in/writing/>
* <https://www.writingexercises.co.uk/>
* <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z3kw2hv>
* <https://theshortstory.co.uk/resources/free-short-stories/>

Hints and Tips:

* Read lots of texts (including books and short stories) and pick out examples of powerful language.
* Discuss texts you’ve read which have an interesting structure (i.e. does the book start at the end of the story?)
* Practise planning and writing SQIE/SAQI paragraphs
* Find good examples of similes, metaphors and other language devices and ‘collect’ some examples.
* Practise writing creatively for different purposes.
* Look at your own writing and see how many different types of punctuation you usually use – then try to improve upon this.

Yr 7&8 English exams will take place week commencing 16th May 2022

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