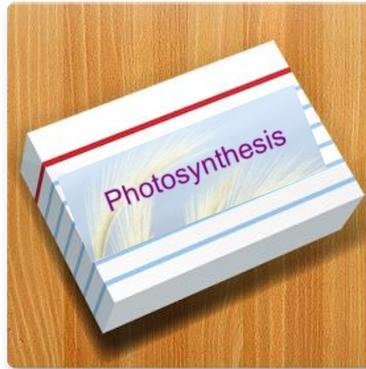# Terminology Testing- Using Flash Cards!

1

Buy or make some cards. Make sure that they are approximately A6 size (half of an A5 piece of paper). You could use a different colour for each different subject!

2

Write a key word you need to know on the first card. You could also write a very brief cue, or possible exam question.

3

Write the answer on the other side.

4

Make up several cards for each subject. Using your exam checklists and revision guides is a good way of checking you have made as many cards as you need!

5

Make the cards a bit more complex for some subjects. For example, you could make some for English where on the front of a card you have ' Of Mice and Men: Characters' and on the other side you have a list of all characters.

6

Put the flashcards in order. Or, randomly stack them, anyway you like.

Using them:

1

Begin revising using the flashcards. Surprise! You've already been revising. By writing down the questions and answers on your flashcards, you've revised already. But you will need to revise some more by using the cards to test yourself. Read all the questions and answers either silently or aloud. Next, read the questions and try to answer them, then check your answers. Finally, ask a parent, sibling or friend to quiz you. And repeat!

2

Test yourself. When you have made multiple cards, it's time to test yourself. Here's how you do it:

- Pick up the first card and read the keywords/phrase.
- Try to recall as much of the information as you can.
- Flip over the card and see if you got the answer(s) right.
- If you're happy you got the information right, put that card on the 'right' pile. If you got the information wrong or incomplete, put it on the 'wrong' pile.

3

Do this for all the cards. When you've gone through all the cards, go back to the 'wrong' pile, and repeat the process. Keep going through the 'wrong' pile until you get the information right, and there are no cards left in the 'wrong' pile.

4

Complete the process. Then go through the whole lot again for good measure.