

# How to help your child make the most of their Knowledge Organisers, SPs and quizzing book



**Article 29:**  
*Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. UNCRC*

# Why is the knowledge organiser important?

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- The knowledge organiser is a key tool in improving your child's long term memory, what they learn now will help them later.
- If your child knows something already, learning something new is easier.
- It will support your child as they move through the school to be prepared for tests and exams. Some will be low stake tests some will be formal assessments.
- It will help your child to make better progress and therefore be more successful at school.

# The best students will

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- Keep a green pen, a black pen and a ruler in their knowledge organiser folder.
- Have their folders out and ready every lesson.
- Quizzing book will be well organised and have excellent presentation.
- Always complete work set from the Knowledge Organiser following the key rules

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# Helping your child to use the book for self quizzing

# An example of a knowledge organiser HWK

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- History – The homework is to learn from memory the key individuals below

## **Key individuals**

**King James I-** Took over from Elizabeth I after her death in 1603. He united England and Scotland to create Britain for the first time.

**King Charles I-** Was the king of England at the time of the English Civil War. He is mainly remembered for being executed at the end of the war. His head was cut off.

**Oliver Cromwell-** Led Parliamentary forces against the King during the English Civil War. After the execution of Charles, he became the Lord Protector of England.

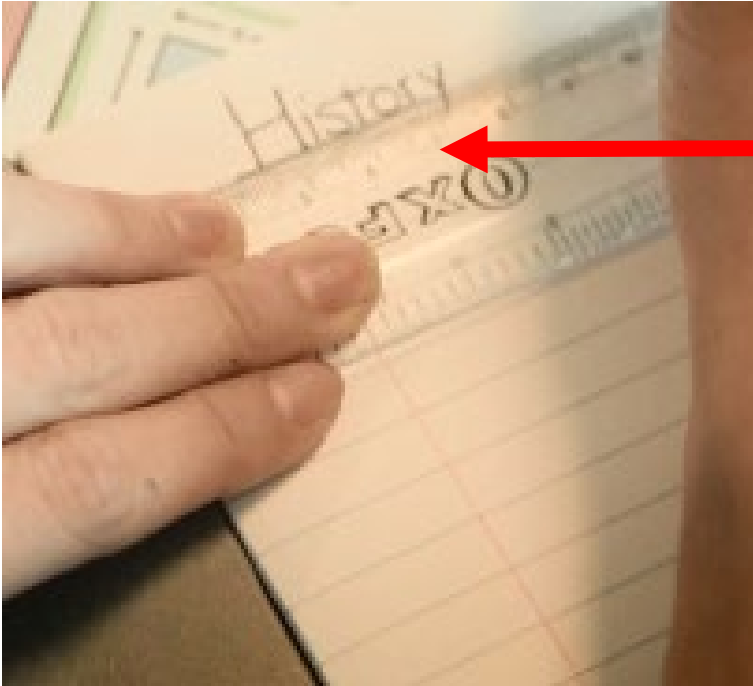
**King Charles II-** Was restored to the English throne after the death of Oliver Cromwell.

- Turn to a new page in the quizzing book



## Step 1 : Write out the subject and topic title and the date

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Be very neat, take care  
and be proud of your  
work



## Step 2 write out the first 4 key words

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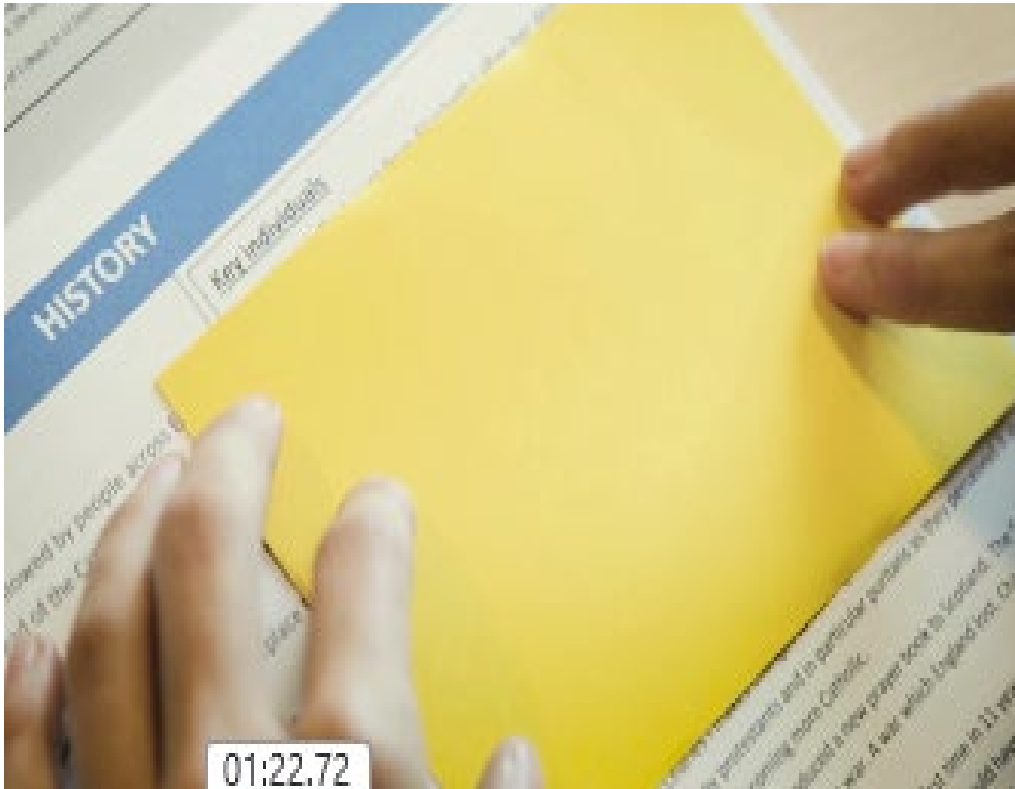
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Leave 2 lines between each word



## Step 3 read and cover

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Move the organiser closer to you and read the first definition – then cover it up and say it back to yourself in your head, uncover and check you have it right. You may have to do this several times to be confident you have it right.





# Step 4 cover and write

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When you are confident. Cover the definition and write it next to the key word in your book. This is where you test yourself, this bit really tests your memory and will help to improve your learning. Do this carefully, take pride in your work. You will need to do this for each of the key words and definitions Until you know them all.



## Step 5 highlight key words

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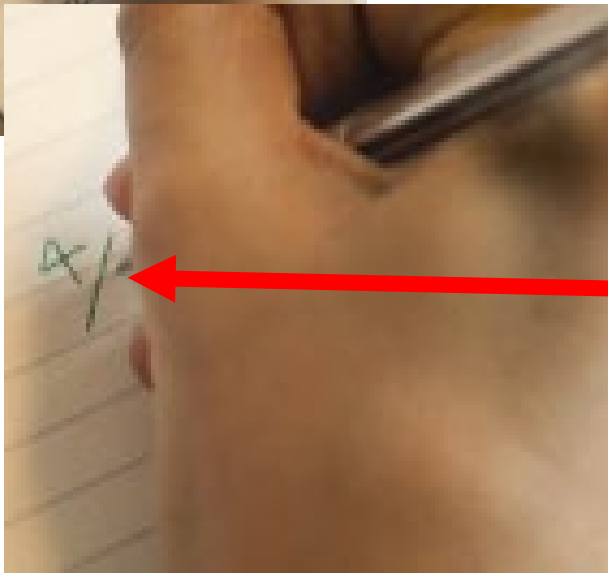
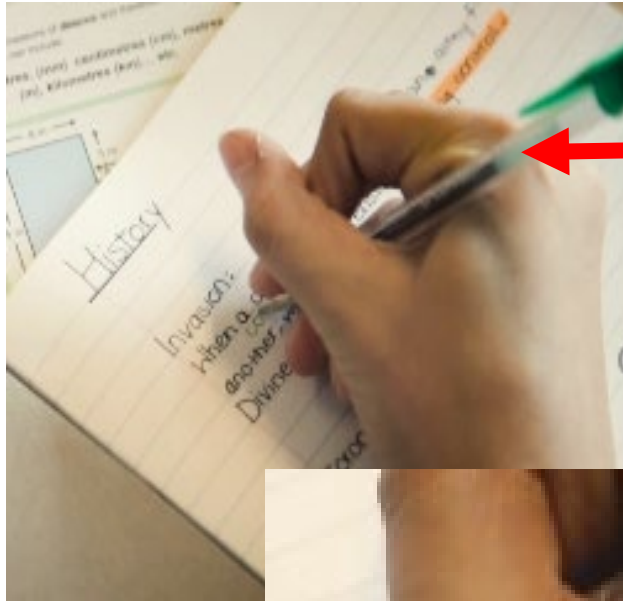


Underline or highlight the key words, this will help you when you return to this in the future.



# Step 6 check your work

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Now you need to check your work, use your green pen to make any corrections to your work, correct any errors add anything that is missing. This helps you to remember the bits that you need to improve on next time. Give yourself a tick and record your score.



# Getting the best from knowledge organisers / SPs

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- Teachers will set homework from the knowledge organiser / SP. Insist your child completes the work set
- Encourage your child to take pride in their self testing with neat writing
- Once they have tested themselves, ask them to write the section out again for you, without referring to the knowledge organiser / SP
- Check your child's work comparing it to the section in the knowledge organiser with them and sign to say you have done so, hopefully with a 'well done!'

