

Ensuring Success in Year 11 for GCSE DT

Specification	AQA Design and Technology (New specification) 8552
Website for specification	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/design-and-technology/gcse/design-and-technology-8552/introduction
Tiered entry?	no
Paper 1	<p>Unit 1: Paper 1 50% of total marks</p> <p>2 hours</p> <p>100 marks</p> <p>Candidates answer all questions in three sections</p>
Controlled Assessment	<p>Unit 2: None exam assessment (NEA) 50% of total marks</p> <p>Approximately 35 hours</p> <p>100 marks</p> <p>Application of core technical principles, specialist technical principles and design and making principles.</p>
Website for question papers, mark schemes and examiners reports:	http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/design-and-technology/gcse/design-and-technology-textiles-technology-4570/past-papers-and-mark-schemes
Suggested revision techniques	Concept mind mapping , Q&A's, Sketching and annotating Past papers
Website(s) for revision	https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/design-and-technology/gcse/design-and-technology-8552 www.Technologystudent.com .
Key mistake(s) made on exam	Students not reading the question correctly, students not answering questions on the subject specialism they have been taught.
Recommended revision guide	New Grade 9-1 GCSE Design & Technology AQA Revision Guide (CGP GCSE D&T 9-1 Revision) School revision pack issued to all students