

Promoting Independence at KS5



Student Name:		Teacher Initials:		Subject:	
----------------------	--	--------------------------	--	-----------------	--

In order to be successful at KS5 you will need to do lots of independent learning and take accountability for your learning. These tasks will allow you to apply your learning to the real world and explore the impact of the theory and concepts you have been learning in your subjects.

You will find below some suggestions for activities you could do throughout the year. Some of them are one-off tasks, but some of them, such as watching news bulletins and reading magazines, should become regular habits. Keep this learning log and all your evidence. This independent learning will stretch and build on your capability in this subject.

Task (in no particular order)	Completed (date/s)	Evidence seen (date/s & teacher's initials)
<i>Task 1: Being aware of current affairs – e.g. BBC news, The Guardian's 'Today in Focus' podcast</i>	Ongoing	
<i>Task 2: Documentaries – to research independently a documentary of your choice that you will recommend to the class. This must relate to a specific topic you have covered in class; past examples - students have used BBC Panorama etc.</i>		
<i>Task 3: Podcasts. There are plenty of podcasts you could use in business, e.g. TED talks, High Performance, Business Unusual</i>		
<i>Task 4: Case study. Based on a topic of your choice and your own research, write a case study with exam questions and a mark scheme.</i>		
<i>Task 5: Use the Business & Economics Library</i>		

Below is a list of possible courses to extend your independent learning, the business courses are wide-ranging and continuously changing, therefore please research these and then discuss with your teacher to check if they are suitable for your course and interests. The following site can be helpful:

MIT – <https://ocw.mit.edu> (Particularly good for looking up example assignments etc.)

Future Learn -

https://www.futurelearn.com/courses?filter_category=14&filter_availability=started&all_courses=1

(good courses, but may have to pay to get a certificate)

edX - <https://www.edx.org/search?> (A good source but constantly changing)

Coursera - <https://www.coursera.org/courses> (Again, a good source but constantly changing)