

IB STUDENTS –

Yours is usually simpler to do because you have so many exams (sorry), you just keep working backwards and it falls into place as there aren't usually large gaps between exams. This following example is a generic timetable, not specifically based on this year.

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| M   | T        | W           | T           | F           | S | S |
|---|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---|---|
| SAMPLE ONLY, NOT BASED ON CURRENT TIMETABLE | Eng HL 1 | Maths SL 1  | Maths SL 2  | French SL 1 |   |   |
| French SL 2                                 | Eng HL 2 |             | Hist HL 1,2 | Hist HL 1,2 |   |   |
| Eco SL 1                                    | Eco SL 2 | Bio HL 1, 2 | Bio HL 3    | F1          |   |   |

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| M                | T<br>Eng HL 1 | W           | T<br>Maths SL 2 | F                | S | S |
|                  |               | Maths SL 1  |                 | French SL 1      |   |   |
| M<br>French SL 2 | T             | W           | T               | F<br>Hist HL 1,2 | S | S |
|                  | Eng HL 2      |             | Hist HL 1,2     |                  |   |   |
| M                | T<br>Eco SL 2 | W           | T               | F                |   |   |
| Eco SL 1         | Biology       | Biology     | Bio HL 3        |                  |   |   |
|                  |               | Bio HL 1, 2 |                 |                  |   |   |

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| M                | T<br>Eng HL 1 | W           | T<br>Maths SL 2 | F                | S | S         |
|                  |               | Maths SL 1  |                 | French SL 1      |   |           |
| M<br>French SL 2 | T             | W           | T               | F<br>Hist HL 1,2 | S | S         |
|                  | Eng HL 2      |             | Hist HL 1,2     |                  |   | Economics |
| M                | T<br>Eco SL 2 | W           | T               | F                |   |           |
| Economics        | Biology       | Biology     | Bio HL 3        |                  |   |           |
| Eco SL 1         |               | Bio HL 1, 2 |                 |                  |   |           |

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| M                                  | T<br>Eng HL 1                | W<br><br>Maths SL 1                 | T<br>Maths SL 2      | F<br><br>French SL 1            | S                                 | S                  |
| M<br>French SL 2                   | T<br><br>Eng HL 2            | W                                   | T<br><br>Hist HL 1,2 | F<br>Hist HL 1,2<br><br>Biology | S<br><br>Economics<br><br>Biology | S<br><br>Economics |
| M<br><br>Economics<br><br>Eco SL 1 | T<br>Eco SL 2<br><br>Biology | W<br><br>Biology<br><br>Bio HL 1, 2 | T<br><br>Bio HL 3    | F                               |                                   |                    |

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| M                                  | T<br>Eng HL 1                | W<br><br>Maths SL 1                 | T<br>Maths SL 2                     | F<br><br>French SL 1            | S                                 | S                  |
| M<br>French SL 2                   | T<br><br>Eng HL 2            | W<br><br>History                    | T<br><br>History<br><br>Hist HL 1,2 | F<br>Hist HL 1,2<br><br>Biology | S<br><br>Economics<br><br>Biology | S<br><br>Economics |
| M<br><br>Economics<br><br>Eco SL 1 | T<br>Eco SL 2<br><br>Biology | W<br><br>Biology<br><br>Bio HL 1, 2 | T<br><br>Bio HL 3                   | F1                              |                                   |                    |

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| M                                  | T<br>Eng HL 1                | W<br><br>Maths SL 1             | T<br>Maths SL 2                 | F<br><br>French SL 1            | S                             | S              |
| M<br>French SL 2<br><br>English    | T<br>English<br><br>Eng HL 2 | W<br>History                    | T<br>History<br><br>Hist HL 1,2 | F<br>Hist HL 1,2<br><br>Biology | S<br>Economics<br><br>Biology | S<br>Economics |
| M<br><br>Economics<br><br>Eco SL 1 | T<br>Eco SL 2<br><br>Biology | W<br>Biology<br><br>Bio HL 1, 2 | T<br>Bio HL 3                   | F                               |                               |                |

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| M                                  | T<br>Eng HL 1                | W<br><br>Maths SL 1             | T<br>Maths SL 2                 | F<br><br>French SL 1            | S                             | S<br>French    |
| M<br>French SL 2<br><br>English    | T<br>English<br><br>Eng HL 2 | W<br>History                    | T<br>History<br><br>Hist HL 1,2 | F<br>Hist HL 1,2<br><br>Biology | S<br>Economics<br><br>Biology | S<br>Economics |
| M<br><br>Economics<br><br>Eco SL 1 | T<br>Eco SL 2<br><br>Biology | W<br>Biology<br><br>Bio HL 1, 2 | T<br>Bio HL 3                   | F                               |                               |                |

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| M                           | T<br>Eng HL 1            | W<br>Maths SL 1             | T<br>Maths SL 2             | F<br>French SL 1            | S<br>French<br>English    | S<br>French    |
| M<br>French SL 2<br>English | T<br>English<br>Eng HL 2 | W<br>History                | T<br>History<br>Hist HL 1,2 | F<br>Hist HL 1,2<br>Biology | S<br>Economics<br>Biology | S<br>Economics |
| M<br>Economics<br>Eco SL 1  | T<br>Eco SL 2<br>Biology | W<br>Biology<br>Bio HL 1, 2 | T<br>Bio HL 3               | F                           |                           |                |

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| M                           | T<br>Eng HL 1            | W<br>Maths SL 1             | T<br>Maths SL 2<br>French   | F<br>French<br>French SL 1  | S<br>French<br>English    | S<br>French    |
| M<br>French SL 2<br>English | T<br>English<br>Eng HL 2 | W<br>History                | T<br>History<br>Hist HL 1,2 | F<br>Hist HL 1,2<br>Biology | S<br>Economics<br>Biology | S<br>Economics |
| M<br>Economics<br>Eco SL 1  | T<br>Eco SL 2<br>Biology | W<br>Biology<br>Bio HL 1, 2 | T<br>Bio HL 3               | F                           |                           |                |

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| M                                  | T<br>Eng HL 1<br><br>Maths   | W<br>Maths<br><br>Maths SL 1    | T<br>Maths SL 2<br><br>French   | F<br>French<br><br>French SL 1  | S<br>French<br><br>English    | S<br>French    |
| M<br>French SL 2<br><br>English    | T<br>English<br><br>Eng HL 2 | W<br>History                    | T<br>History<br><br>Hist HL 1,2 | F<br>Hist HL 1,2<br><br>Biology | S<br>Economics<br><br>Biology | S<br>Economics |
| M<br><br>Economics<br><br>Eco SL 1 | T<br>Eco SL 2<br><br>Biology | W<br>Biology<br><br>Bio HL 1, 2 | T<br>Bio HL 3                   | F                               |                               |                |

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| M<br><br>English                   | T<br>Eng HL 1<br><br>Maths   | W<br>Maths<br><br>Maths SL 1    | T<br>Maths SL 2<br><br>French   | F<br>French<br><br>French SL 1  | S<br>French<br><br>English    | S<br>French    |
| M<br>French SL 2<br><br>English    | T<br>English<br><br>Eng HL 2 | W<br>History                    | T<br>History<br><br>Hist HL 1,2 | F<br>Hist HL 1,2<br><br>Biology | S<br>Economics<br><br>Biology | S<br>Economics |
| M<br><br>Economics<br><br>Eco SL 1 | T<br>Eco SL 2<br><br>Biology | W<br>Biology<br><br>Bio HL 1, 2 | T<br>Bio HL 3                   | F                               |                               |                |

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In the holidays and weeks before your first exam you can follow the same pattern as HSC students, ie 3-4 days of study then a wildcard day, or you can take a different approach. Instead of cycling by SUBJECT you can cycle by EXAM PAPER.

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IB: Can choose to cycle by subject or by exam paper

- Write a list of the exams you find most difficult, these should be studied in the morning. Ones you find easier in the afternoon.
- Space the exams out rather than trying to prepare, for example, all 3 Psych exams on the one day:  
 DAY 1 - Psych Paper 1 / Maths Paper 1  
 DAY 2 - Psych Paper 2 / Maths Paper 2  
 DAY 3 - Psych Paper 3 / English Paper 1
- This means you may have a 6-9 day cycle. You may put the wildcard day in the middle and again at the end (every 3 or 4 days) .

|          | Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 |          | Day 5 | Day 6 | Day 7 | Day 8 |          |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|
| WEAKER   | S1 P1 | S1 P2 | S1 P3 | S2 P1 | Wildcard | S2 P2 | S3 P1 | S3 P2 | S3 P3 | Wildcard |
| STRONGER | S4 P1 | S4 P2 | S5 P1 | S5 P2 | Wildcard | S5 P3 | S6 P1 | S6 P2 | weak  | Wildcard |

- Or you may do 3 days of study, WILDCARD, then 4 days study, WILDCARD
- Or 3.5 days study, WILDCARD, 3.5 days study, WILDCARD

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## IB: Cycle of subjects.

**6 subjects, 2-3 exams each. Most people have around 12-14 exams.**

- Aim to cover each exam once approx. each week of study.
- This will mean 2-3 exams to be studied for each day.
- The amount of time spent on each exam will vary though. Rather than 3 hrs on one and 3 hrs on the other you may choose to do for example 4hrs/2hrs taking into account:
  - Subjects vary in the amount of content covered.
  - Final exams are worth a greater percentage of total marks in some subjects.
  - Percentage weights vary from paper to paper and subject to subject.
  - Some subjects might be more challenging for you and require more time to address a weaker performance in that subject or to develop your critical thinking skills for that subject (pay attention to your results in Mocks).

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For IB:

9-10am Review work done yesterday

11-1pm 2 hours: *Subject 1 Exam 1*

1.30-3.30pm 2 hours: Subject 2 Exam 1

4-6pm 2 hours: *Subject 1 Exam 2*

*Then:*

Possibly an hour or two

after dinner if needed? But maybe not during the holidays – closer to the exams yes.

Note: You may not have the same work pattern each day. Start times and review should be consistent, but time spent per paper will vary as discussed earlier.

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IB: In a 3 hour study block:

**As you get closer to exams, spend more and more time doing past papers under exam conditions.**

- ½ hr: learning/memorising/testing yourself on study notes and content
- 2 hours: Do a past paper under exam conditions or other questions under exam conditions.
- ½ hr: Spend time going through what you just did, working on stuff you got wrong, doing extra questions on those topics and adding to your study notes, work through marker's reports.

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