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Task:

- 1. In what exams did you do best and why?
- 2. Which exams could you have improved on? What kinds of mistakes did you make?
- 3. Going forward What could you work on to improve your exam technique?



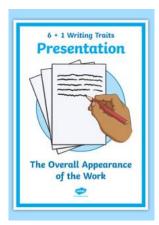
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1. <u>Timekeeping</u> When you are sitting your exams this is crucial. Know how long you have for each question and stick to your pace. It is better to rush than to leave whole questions blank.



2. <u>Opening minutes</u> Don't just open the exam and 'start writing'. Spend a minute reading through each question. This will start to activate your brain into tackling the later questions.



3. <u>Presentation</u> Do you know how to set your answer out? Have you been given a structure to follow? Do you need to use paragraphs? Have you made your answer clear? Make the examiners life easy!



4. <u>Read the question</u> Rushing into writing an answer can often mean that an important piece of information or focus is missed. Take your time to ensure that you are clear exactly what it is you are being asked to do.



5. <u>Review</u> Finished your paper? Now re-visit any questions you may have missed or struggled on. If you are really not sure it is better to have a go than to leave it blank – you will surprise yourself.

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Exam skills checklist: Now talk through your subjects with the person sitting next to you. RAG rate each question based on your confidence. Which areas are you best at? Which areas do you need to develop and how?

Subject	Do you know how long you should spend on each question?	Do you know exactly what the questions are asking you to do?	Do you know how to structure and set out your answer?	ready Amber = I need to
English Literature				refresh my
English Language				technique.
Maths				technique.
Science				Red = I need
Option 1				to speak to
Option 2				my teacher!
Option 3				my teacher: