

# Study Strategies

for Learning

# 1. Flashcards

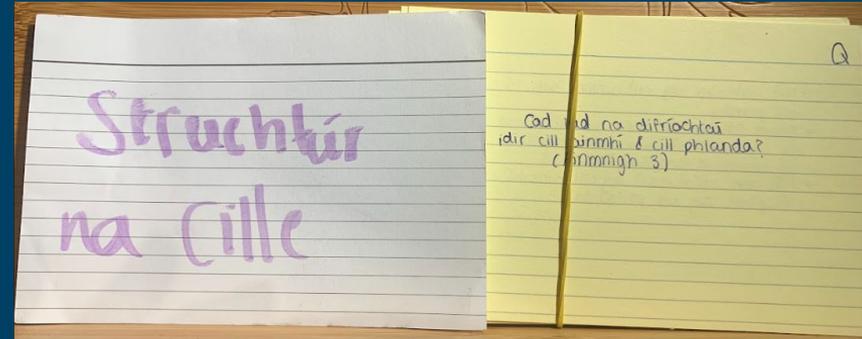
- Focus your mind on the main points while you're writing them
- Easy to self-examine
- Easy to do quick revision in the run-up to exams



# Flashcards (cont'd.)

To self-test:

- Take a pile of cards relevant to the topic you wish to revise.
- Answer the questions.
- Anytime you answer a question correctly, put that card to one side.
- Anytime you answer a question incorrectly, put that card back to the bottom of the pile.
- Continue asking yourself questions until there are no cards left in the pile.

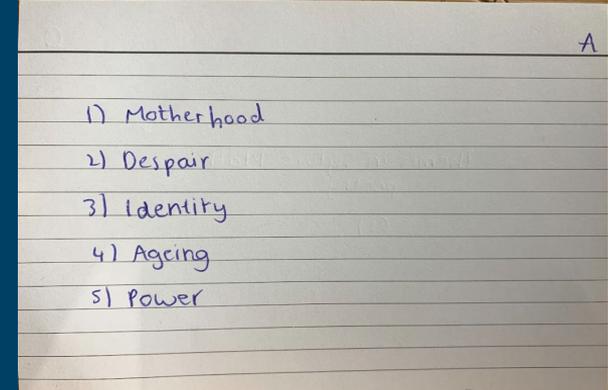
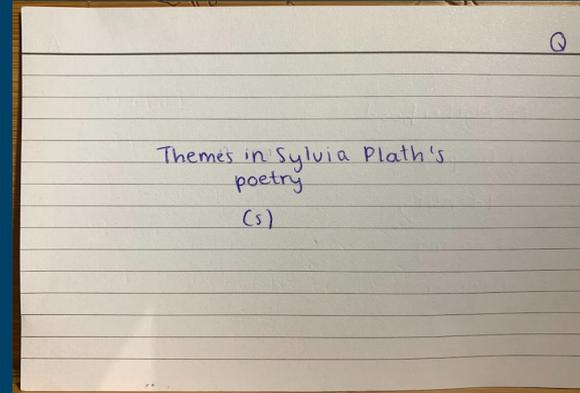


# 1a. Flashcards

- Write the required information on one side
- Write answer(s) on the other side

## Useful for revising

- Themes/ images/ metaphors in a poem
- A character in a play
- Parts of the body/ a plant
- Various types of businesses
- Grammatical terms

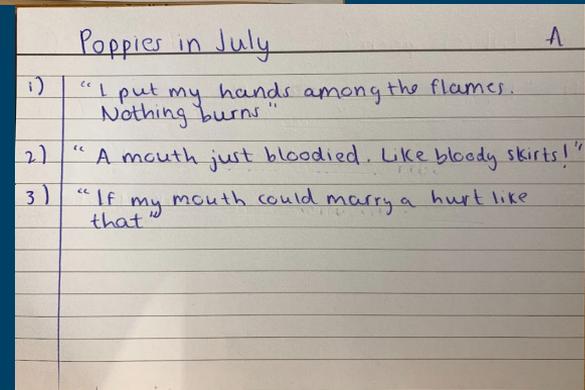
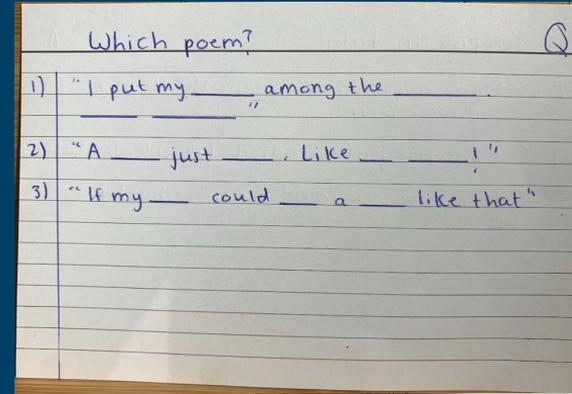


# 1b. Flashcards

- Write quotes which include gaps on one side.
- Write the full quote on the other side.

Useful for revising

- Quotes from plays
- Poetry
- Nice turns of phrase

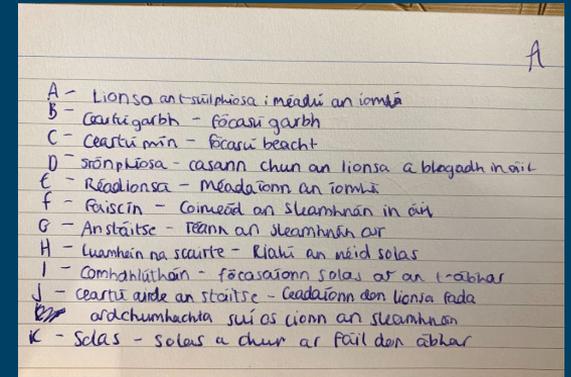
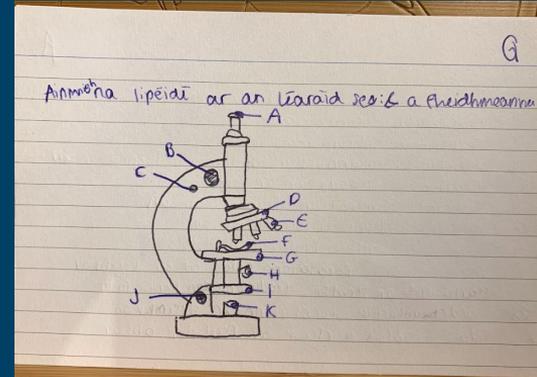


# 1c. Flashcards

- Draw a diagram/ write the Irish (or English) term on one side.
- Write answer(s) on the other side.

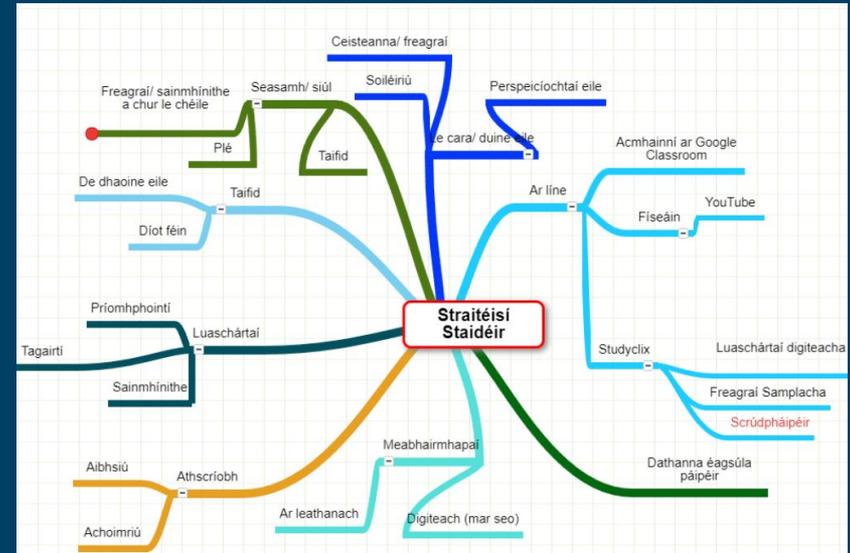
## Useful for revising

- Aspects of Biology
- Geography diagrams
- Vocabulary



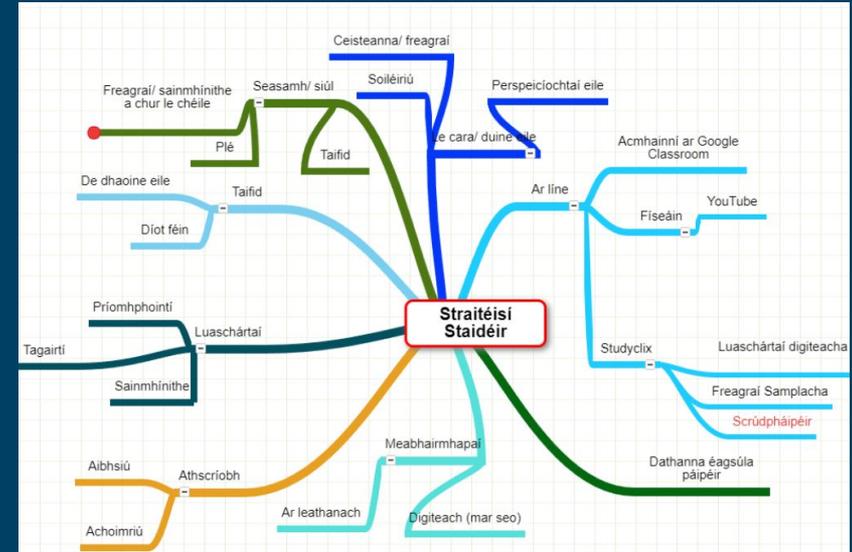
## 2a. Mindmaps

- You work out the link between various aspects of the topic while writing.
- They give an overview of a topic when they have been completed.
- Easy to revise quickly while approaching exams
  - Pen & paper
  - Colours, if you wish
  - Online options e.g. *Prezi* available



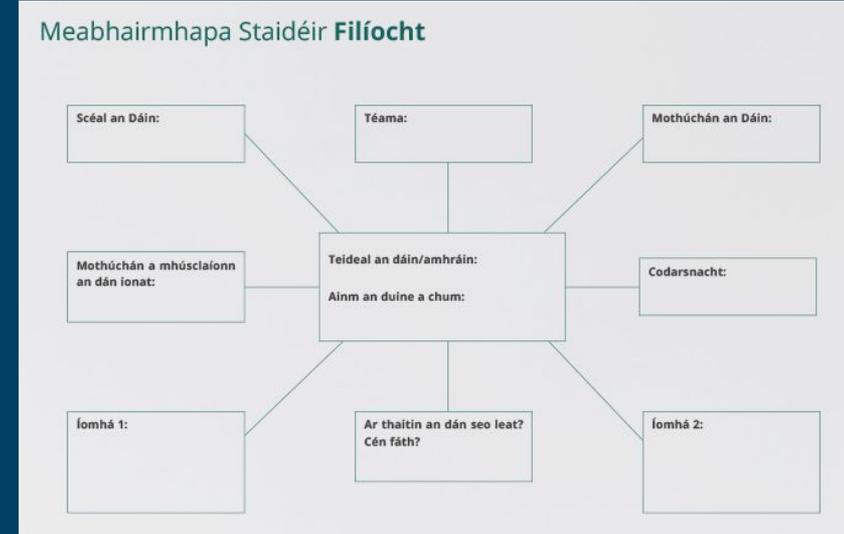
## 2. Mindmaps

- Identify the links between various aspects of the topic as you write.
- Give an overview of the topic when completed
- Easy to revise quickly in the run-up to exams



# Mindmaps (*cont'd.*)

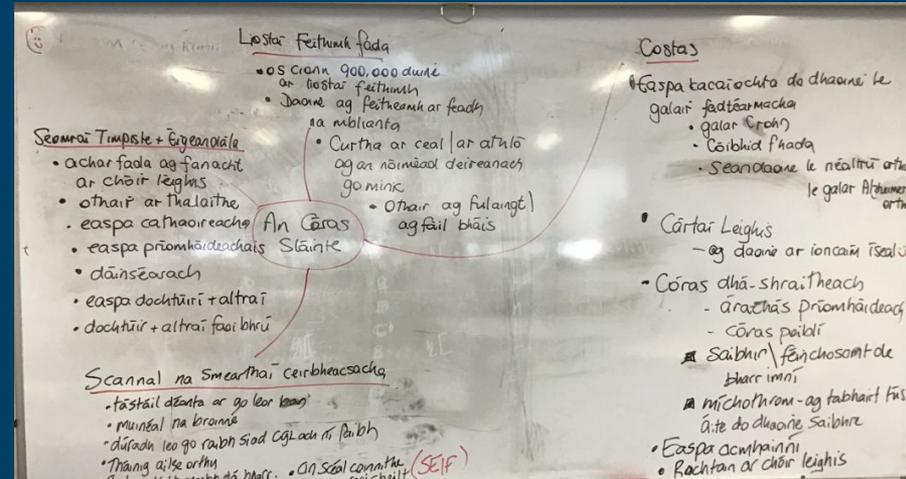
- Write the title/ topic in the middle of the page.
- Draw lines stretching out from that title, and write a subheading at the end of each line.
- List significant subpoints under each heading.



# Mindmaps (cont'd)

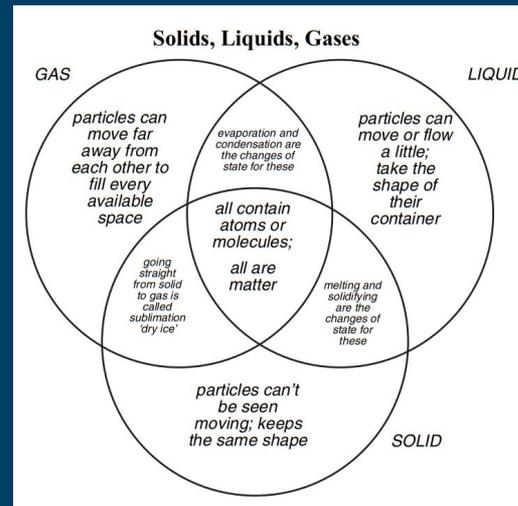
Useful to revise

- Literary works
- Topics in various subjects
  - Business
  - History
  - Home Economics
  - Geography

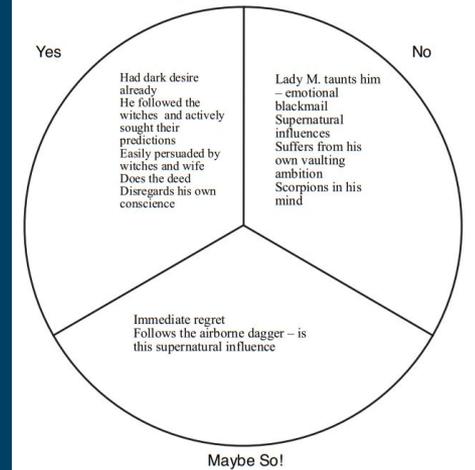


### 3. Graphic Organisers

- Use templates to organise your thoughts.
- Often neater than Mindmaps
- Easy to make your own version of many of them



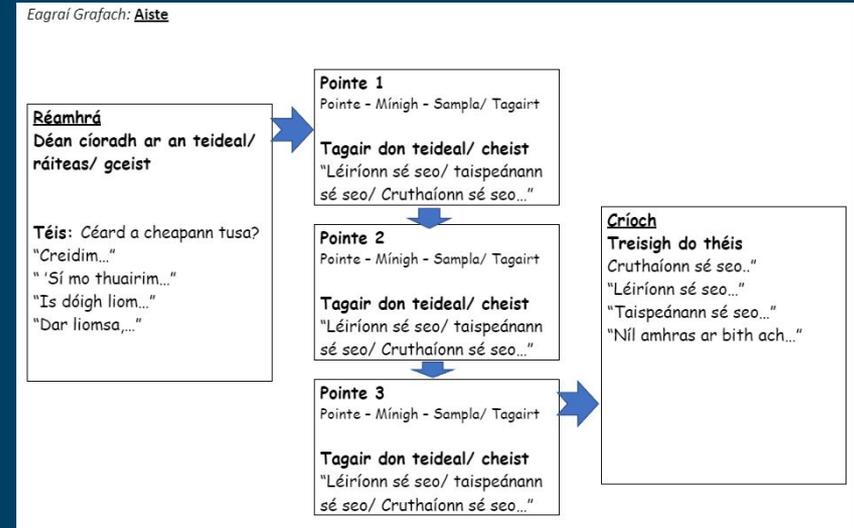
#### Is Macbeth responsible for Duncan's death?



# Graphic Organisers (cont'd.)

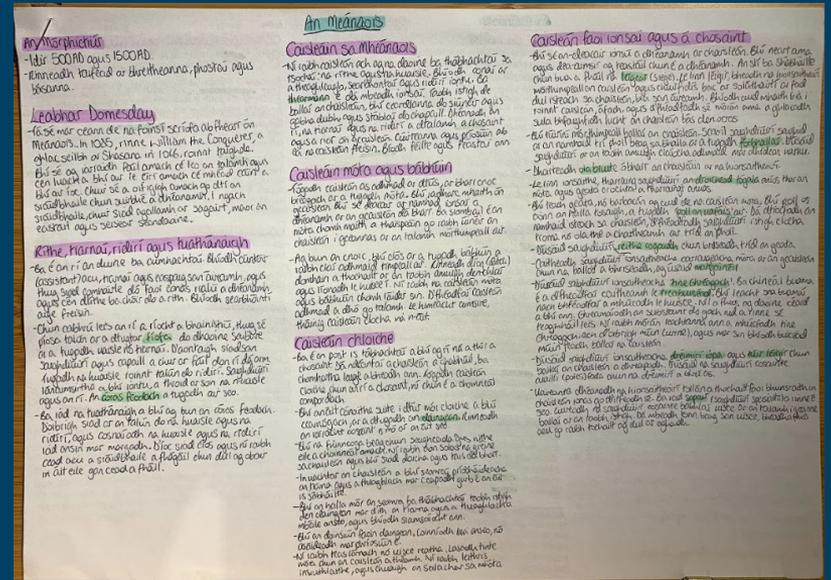
Useful to

- Organise the main points of a topic
- Identify similarities & differences
- Tease out arguments & opinions
- Plan an essay



# 4. Summarise/ Rewrite/ Highlight

- Focuses your mind on the main points while you are summarising them
- All information on one page
- Easy to pick out the keywords as they are highlighted

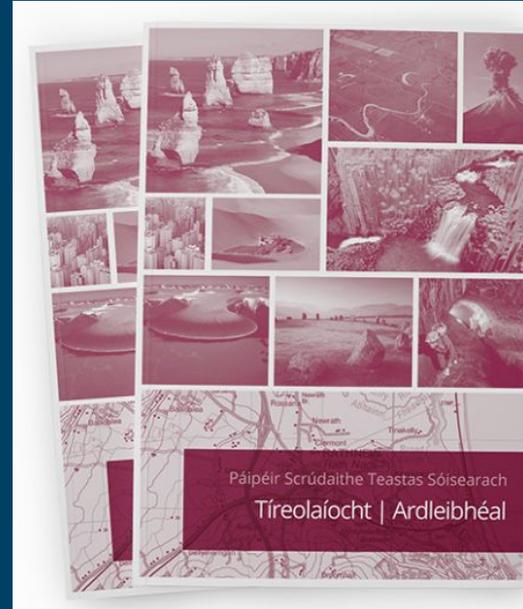




## 5. Exam Questions

Available

- in past paper booklets
- topic on your school *Studyclix* account.
- at <https://www.examinations.ie/exammaterialarchive/>



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## 6. Recordings & Videos

- Premade recordings & videos
- Recordings you've made yourself
- When you are
  - Travelling by bus
  - Out walking
  - Doing housework



# Recordings & Videos (*cont'd.*)

Useful to

- Save time
- Be active
- Reinforce learning
  - Music
  - Poems & Plays
  - Picture Sequences
  - History podcasts
  - Follow the steps to solve a Maths problem



# 7. With Others

- Study Group
  - The load can be shared.
  - Mutual encouragement
- Discussion
  - To hear other opinions
  - To clarify your own thought & opinions
  - Walking/ travelling/ eating dinner



# 8. Colours

- Coloured paper and flashcards
  - Help jog the memory
  - For some people who are dyslexic, it is easier to read writing on paper that is not white
- Highlighter pens
  - Clear keywords
  - Good for revision

