



## YEAR 9

**Key Questions:**

What is all matter made from?  
 What is a mixture?  
 How has our understanding of what the atom looks like changed?  
 What is an atom & how big are they?  
 How are the relative atomic masses in periodic table calculated?

**Atomic Structure**

**Key Questions:**

What is all matter made from?  
 How has the modern periodic table changed from earlier versions?  
 What is the difference between metals & non-metals?  
 What are the groups of the periodic table?

**The Periodic Table**

**Key Questions:**

What is a chemical bond?  
 How do elements bond?  
 What happens to the temperature as water is boiling?  
 Does the type of bonding affect properties?  
 What are nanoparticles?

**Structure & Bonding**

**Key Questions:**

Why are metals more reactive than others?  
 What use are metals being more reactive than each other?  
 What is a salt?  
 How many different ways can you make a salt?  
 What happens when acids are added to alkalis?  
 How do we check how much aspirin is in a tablet?

**Chemical Changes**

## YEAR 10

**Key Questions:**

How can electricity split a compound?  
 What is cryolite?  
 What is the big picture of electrolysis?

**Electrolysis**

**Key Questions:**

What real use is the periodic table to a chemist?  
 What is a mole & how do we use it in chemistry?  
 How can we use chemical calculations to help us produce chemicals economically?  
 Mass vs Concentration vs Volume: How are they interconnected?

**Chemical Calculations**

**Key Questions:**

Why do some reactions go cold & some hot?  
 What makes a reaction exo or endo thermic?  
 Is neutralisation exothermic or endothermic?

**Energy Changes**

**Key Questions:**

Why are some reactions faster than others?  
 What factors affect rate?

**Rates**

**Key Questions:**

What happens when you reverse a reactions?  
 What happens when you try to adjust a reversible reaction?

**Equilibrium**

## YEAR 11

**Key Questions:**

How can we identify an alkane from its properties?  
 Why is it important to be able to identify types of combustion?

**Organic**

**Key Questions:**

How can we identify a substance as either being pure or a formulation?  
 How can paper chromatography be used to separate coloured substances?  
 How can various gases be identified?

**Analysis**

**Key Questions:**

How have the proportions of the Earth's gases changed over time?  
 Why have the proportions of the Earth's gases changed over time?  
 What is the importance of greenhouse gases & when do they do wrong?  
 Why should you be conscious of atmospheric pollutants?

**The Atmosphere**

**Key Questions:**

How can we produce potable water from solutions which are not drinkable?  
 What are LCAs & why are they important?

**The Earth's Resources**