Chemistry Help and My Chemistry

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Chemistry Help is where you can look up a topic and try questions, calculations, practical activities, models and games. You can start straight away.

My Chemistry gives AQA and OCR A A-level students a free account for quizzes, saved results and the specification tracker.

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Open My Chemistry

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Find a topic or activity

Browse by course

1. On **Chemistry Help**, find your board on the homepage or choose **AQA** or **OCR A** in the main menu.
2. Open **Year 12**, **Year 12 organic**, **Year 13** or **Year 13 organic**. Each page groups activities under topic headings.
3. Find your topic and open an activity. For example, from **AQA** on the homepage, choose **Year 12**, then find **Atomic structure** and open **Isotopes & mass spectrometry**.

Open the AQA Atomic structure section

Search by topic or tool

1. Select **Search site** at the top of the page. Try a topic such as **electron configuration**, a practical such as **PAG 2**, or the name of a tool.
2. Check the board, year and type of resource shown with the results. To browse by subject, you can also use **Topics** in the main menu.

Set what the homepage shows

While signed out, use **AQA only** or **OCR A only** to set the homepage for this browser. Choose **Show all exam boards** to see the full homepage again.

When you're signed in, the homepage follows your saved board. Tick **Show resources for all exam boards** near **Change course** to see both boards again.

> **GCSE or OxfordAQA International?**
> Use **GCSE** in the main menu for AQA or Edexcel Separate Chemistry, then choose Foundation or Higher. For OxfordAQA International 9620, use the link on the full homepage.

Use Chemistry Help activities

Open the kind of activity you want

Calculations	Find moles, titrations, gas calculations and other numerical practice. Search for **Maths skills for chemistry** for tools on standard form, significant figures and rearranging equations.
Practical	Find practical questions and diagrams. Look for **required practicals** for AQA or **PAGs** for OCR A.
Games	Open the Chemistry Arcade and choose a game. Check the game's board, topic and mode options where they appear.
Topic pages	Find quick checks, written questions, diagrams and models alongside the specification topic they cover.

Check an answer

1. Check the settings on the activity itself. Some tools let you change the board, year, skill or question mode.
2. Enter your answer and choose **Check answer** where the activity can mark it. Read the feedback before moving to the next question.
3. For a written response, you may see **Compare with model answer**. Read the model and use the marking points to check your own work when the activity asks you to.

> **Try a calculation**
> Open **Moles & stoichiometry** from **Amount of substance** on your Year 12 course page. Open a skill such as **Mass, Mr & moles**, enter a value in the units shown and select **Check answer**. If you want to see the method, choose **Show worked answer**.

Open Calculations

Open the Chemistry Arcade

Set up My Chemistry

Sign in and choose your course

1. Choose **My Chemistry** on Chemistry Help, or open My Chemistry directly. Select **Continue with Google** and use the Google account you want to keep your chemistry work in.
2. Choose **AQA** or **OCR A** and the course you need. **Year 12** covers Year 12 content. **Year 13** includes both years. Select **Save course**.
3. If the site asks how you're using My Chemistry, choose **Student** or **Resit student** and select **Save study context**.

Use **Change course** near your course name to switch later. On another device, sign in with the same Google account to see your saved progress.

Pick up where you left off

In My Chemistry, **Home** opens your dashboard. If you have a quiz still open or questions due, look for the shortcut there. The ← **Chemistry Help** link takes you back to the public site or to the resource you came from.

On the Chemistry Help homepage, **Last opened** can take you back to an activity you recently opened in that browser.

Bring across a result you already have

If **Add my results** appears, it can bring supported results from this browser into your account. Use it only for work you did yourself. On a shared device, choose **Not now** if the results belong to someone else.

To try a sample while signed out, open **My Chemistry questions** on a Chemistry Help topic page and choose **Start 3 questions**. To keep the score and missed questions, choose **Sign in and keep practising** on the results page.

Open My Chemistry

Quizzes and exam-style sets

Choose your own topics

1. Open **Quiz**. On **Build a quiz**, use **Find a topic** or open a section. Tick the topics you want, or use **Select year** or **Select all taught topics**.
2. Use **Not taught yet** to leave a topic out of quiz selection until you untick it. This is separate from choosing which topics go into this quiz.
3. Choose **3**, **5**, **10** or **20** under **Questions**, then select **Start quiz**.

For a short quiz on one topic, you can also open **Topics**, find the topic in the course map and choose **5 questions**. **Revise or practise** opens the resources linked to that topic when available.

Try an exam-style mix

Open **Exam**, choose the paper you want to practise for, then choose **5**, **10** or **20** questions. These sets mix multiple-choice questions without showing the topic heading before you answer.

Answer and read the feedback

1. Select an answer. If you need a prompt, open the clue before you answer.
2. Read the explanation after you answer. If you guessed correctly and see **I guessed**, select it. My Chemistry records clue-assisted and guessed answers separately from your independent score.
3. Select **Next question**. At the end, check your result and look for the next review date. If you built the quiz yourself, **Same topics, another set** lets you do another round with those topics.

Use the specification tracker

Open **Spec** to see the specification tracker for your course. It breaks the syllabus into individual lines so you can find the part of a topic you want.

Find a line

1. Use **Choose a topic** to jump to a section or type a word such as **titration** into **Find a line**. Tick **Include revision notes** to search those as well.
2. Use **Rating** to show lines with particular ratings. On the full A-level course, use **Year** to narrow the list to Year 12 or Year 13. **Clear filters** resets the filters.

Record how you're getting on

Tap a number from **0** to **5** beside a line to save your own rating. Read the description beside the number. For example, **2** means you can follow it with help and **3** means you can do straightforward questions.

You can change a rating at any time or choose **Clear** to leave it blank. If you want to find a line again, choose **Flag for later**. You can keep up to five flagged lines and find them under **Priority**.

Open notes or questions for that line

Quick revision	Open the notes beneath a line when they're available. Some include worked examples and diagrams.
Try MCQs	Use the question link where it appears. A link labelled **related MCQs** takes you to questions on the surrounding topic. After the set, choose **Back to specification**.
More resources	Look for activities linked to the line and open **More resources** where it appears.

Find results and retry questions

See what you've already done

Open **Activity**. **Question history** shows your most recent result for each My Chemistry quiz question you've tried. **Recent activity** lists completed quizzes and results from supported Chemistry Help tools.

If you want to see how a topic is going, open **Topics** and find its topic score. It may show an early estimate when you've only answered a few questions. Your ratings in **Spec** are the ones you choose yourself.

Try quiz questions that are due again

1. On **Home** or **Activity**, look for the number of questions due. When **Start review** appears, select it to begin.
2. Answer the questions in the set. My Chemistry schedules review from your earlier answers, so the queue changes as you use it.

If **Nothing due right now** appears on Home, look for the next review date there.

Return to a question you saved yourself

1. In a supported Chemistry Help activity such as **Back titration**, choose **Save this mistake** when it appears after your answer.
2. In My Chemistry, go to **Home** and find **Saved questions**. Choose **View all**. Open an item to go back to the question or activity.
3. Select **Mark done** to move an item to **Done**. To move it back, open **Done** and choose **Put back**. Use **Remove** to take an item off the list.

Open Saved questions

Use the lab and reaction maps

Open **Tools** in My Chemistry to find calculations, practical activities and organic chemistry tools for your course. If you have saved tool results, look for **Your recent results** on this page.

Open bench laboratory

1. Select **Open bench laboratory**. In **Samples**, choose the test you want to try. The bench opens with the sample or apparatus for that test.
2. Follow the instructions on the bench. When you're ready to compare what you saw, choose **Reveal observations**. Select **Fresh sample** to start the same experiment again.

Interactive organic reaction map

1. From **Tools**, open **Interactive organic reaction map**. It opens on your board. Both AQA and OCR A maps are available when you sign in with Google.
2. Choose a reaction route to see its details. Open the explanation, mechanism or questions where available. You can also find printable maps on Chemistry Help while signed out.

Organic structure practice

Skeletal formula challenge	Read a skeletal structure and type its molecular formula. Choose a practice or timed mode on the activity page.
Organic nomenclature challenge	Type the name of the structure you see. Choose a topic or a mixed round. Your rounds here stay separate from your My Chemistry results.

Open Tools

Share a resource or get help

Send a topic or activity to someone

1. On a course page, select **Share topic** beside the topic heading. On an activity that offers it, select **Share resource**.
2. Choose **Copy link** to paste it into a message or homework, or **Download QR code** to save an image someone can scan.

A topic link opens at that topic heading. An activity link opens the activity. Some links also carry settings such as exam board or difficulty.

Report an issue with a question

Use **Report an issue** where it appears near the question. Choose a reason, say what you saw and select **Send report**. If you're signed in and get a reply, it can appear next time you open My Chemistry. Select **Got it** after reading it.

Get help with the site or your account

Student FAQ	Use this for questions about Chemistry Help. If you send a question while signed out, keep the reference so you can use **Check an answer** later.
Support	Use **Account**, then **Support**, for sign-in, saving or technical problems. Include the page or activity name and what happened. Keep your web browser up to date.
Account	Use this page to check your account, request your account data or **Sign out**. On a shared device, sign out when you finish.

Open the Student FAQ

Open My Chemistry Support