



Specification: AQA: <http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/economics/as-and-a-level/economics-7135-7136>

Economics is a topical and ongoing issue that impacts our daily lives. It is important that you keep up to date with economic, political and social issues to give yourself the best chance of achieving the highest grades.

In preparation for that you are asked to do the following:

- 1) Create a Twitter account that you can use to sign up to all school related twitter pages including RC Economics. This can also be used for other subjects which operate a twitter page including Geography and Politics for example. (Or, if you want, use your existing twitter account.)
- 2) Sign up to the following economics related feeds:

- @Freakonomics
- @TradeNewsCentre
- @paulkrugman (Nobel Prize Economist in the areas of trade and development and economics columnist with the New York Times)
- @WSJ (The Wall Street Journal)
- @EconomicsRC (Richard Challoner Economics)
- @ChallonerPOI (Richard Challoner Politics Page – linked strongly to Economics).
- @voxeu (policy based analysis from leading economists)
- @BBCBusiness
- @TheEconomist
- @Reuters (Top and Breaking News and current affairs analysis)
- Any other economics related news feed or economist's twitter feed.

3. Relax and enjoy your holidays but keep an eye occasionally on your twitter newsfeed. When you read an interesting article you are asked to complete the following (for at least two articles) before enrolment.

This is intended to get you up to speed on current affairs and Economics issues not as an extensive piece of work. As Economics is a challenging subject you will need to have an interest in the subject to do well. Otherwise, it is probably not for you.