**Learning Opportunities For A level Economics**

Congratulations for picking a great course in A Level Economics. This is a course that will change the way you look at the world. If you’re interested in getting a head start and hitting the ground running, here are some things you can be doing before starting in September (listed in order of importance)

# No 1: Read Current Events in Economics

By far the most important thing you can do is read the news this summer and look for things that might have to do with Economics. Topics might include: what are happening to prices for different products (e.g. oil)? What the government is doing with the economy? What the Bank of England is doing? Have look to see what you can find.

The best news sources are:

* BBC News Website, particularly the ‘Economy’ Section: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business/economy>
* *The Economist* newspaper online website: <https://www.economist.com/>

You will have the opportunity to have a discount subscription to *The Economist* when you arrive in September. If you have the chance to pick up an issue (or more!) before then you can get a feel if it’s for you.

* Any other broadsheet national newspaper (e.g. *The Times, The Daily Telegraph, The Guardian,* etc*)*

# No 2: Social Media

The following sources are interesting content creators on Economics topics:

* *The Economist* on Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/theeconomist/?hl=en>
* EconplusDal Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQbBh9Jn2IjcSPZOiNKJu0g>
* Jacob Clifford Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCQEbqDL8i40d83Au55lYMQ>

# No 3: Read Books on Economics

If longer books are your thing, check out the following titles:

Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything, by Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner

The Great Economists: How Their Ideas Can Help Us Today, by Linda Yueh

Misbehaving: The Making of Behavioural Economics, by Richard H Thaler

Keynes Hayek: The Clash that Defined Modern Economics, by Nicholas Wapshott

Globalization and Its Discontents Revisited: Anti-Globalization in the Era of Trump, by Joseph Stiglitz

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