

A-LEVEL ECONOMICS SUMMER TASK

Welcome to Economics. This bridging work helps you to prepare for what will most likely be a brand new subject to all of you.

Economics is essentially the study of scarcity. Who gets what, and how?

In order to prepare you for your A-level studies, we would like you to register for a FREE account on OpenLearn and complete **one of the two** below courses. The idea is to give you a brief grounding to just some of t

- a) Exploring economics: the secret life of t-shirts

<https://www.open.edu/openlearn/society-politics-law/exploring-economics-the-secret-life-t-shirts/content-section-0?active-tab=description-tab>

or

- b) Understanding inequality:

<https://www.open.edu/openlearn/society-politics-law/understanding-economic-inequality/content-section-0?active-tab=description-tab>

Once you have completed your course, you will receive a certificate of completion. Bring this with you on **enrollment day**. If you have been away on holiday, simply bring a copy to your **first lesson**.

The final part of the summer task involves getting a head start in exploring some of the content that we will cover in week 1 of the A-level course, most notably scarcity and opportunity cost. Download the following document and complete the activities.

<https://s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/tutor2u-media/subjects/economics/Scarcity-and-opportunity-cost.pdf>

Should you have any problems, please e-mail pmcginn@hartonacademy.co.uk

I look forward to seeing you in September!

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