

PGCE Science Initial Subject Audit

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Candidate's name:

You will meet this form again early in the PGCE course as we start to develop your subject knowledge. Prior to your interview we would like you to complete this form and bring it with you to your interview so that we can discuss your subject knowledge with you.

Topic	At what level and where did you study this topic	Tick if additional
		work required
BIOLOGY		
Using a light microscope to		
observe cells and the role played		
by the electron microscope		
Cell structures in both animal and		
plant cells		
Role of diffusion, osmosis and		
active transport in cell biology		
Hierarchical organisation of		
multicellular organisms		
Biomechanics and muscle		
structure and function		
Skelton and functions of bone		
Balanced diet and consequences of		
poor diet		
Tissues, organs and function of the		
human digestive system		
Enzymes as biological catalysts		
Understand the kinetics and rate		
calculations of enzyme reactions		
Plant nutrition		
Photosynthesis – to include its role		
in atmosphere composition and		
adaptations in plants to facilitate		
it. Understand the role of limiting		
factors in determining the rate of		
photosynthesis and the process of		
transpiration.		

Human reproduction (including	
reproductive systems, hormonal	
control of the menstrual cycle,	
gametes, fertilisation, gestation &	
birth)	
Plant reproduction (including	
pollination, fertilisation, dispersal	
and germination). Plant structure	
including xylem and phloem.	
Understanding of plant hormones	
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Effects of recreational drugs	
Aerobic and anaerobic respiration	
in multi-cellular organisms	
Fermentation in micro-organisms	
Interdependence or organisms in	
ecosystems, the importance of	
biodiversity and biological factors	
affecting food security.	
Importance of insect pollination to	
food security	
The work of Watson, Crick. Wilkins	
and Franklin on DNA structure. <i>The</i>	
role played by DNA in protein	
synthesis.	
Simple heredity including mitosis	
and meiosis, the work of Mendel,	
genetic disorders and the Human	
Genome Project	
The significance of differences	
between specifies and within	
species	
The work of Darwin <i>and Wallace</i>	
and natural selection, including	
and understanding of human	
evolution	
The significance of biodiversity and	
how our understanding of genetics	
has led to the suggestions of three	
domains rather than the five	
kingdoms	
Demonstrate an understanding of	
the relationships between	
quantitative units in relation to	
cells, including milli (10 -3),	
micro(10 ⁻⁴) , nano (10 ⁻⁵) and	
pico(10 ⁻⁶)	
Explain structure and function of	
nervous system including reflex	
arc. and the eye	
An understanding of the basics of	
genetic engineering and the role	
played by GM organisms	
To understand the principles of	
health, disease (in humans and	
plants) and the development of	
medicines	
Describe the production and use of	
monoclonal antibodies.	
Have a good understanding of	
Trave a good understanding of	

animal coordination, control and	
homeostasis including the principal	
human hormones.	
The water, carbon, nitrogen cycles.	

CHEMISTRY	
Explanations of changes in states	
of matter using the particle model	
The Dalton atomic model	
Chemical symbols and formulae	
for elements and compounds	
Transition metals and alloys	
Techniques for separating	
mixtures.	
Methods of purification	
Representing chemical reactions	
using formulae and equations	
Overarching concepts of chemistry	
types of Bonding	
Combustion, thermal	
decomposition, oxidation &	
displacement reactions	
Dynamic Equilibria and	
calculations involving gases	
Chemistry of acids and alkalis	
including the properties of metal	
and non-metal oxides	
Quantitative Analysis :tests for ions	
Catalysts	
Rates of Reaction.	
Energetics in chemical reactions	
Heat energy changes /Fuels	
The development of use of the	
Mendeleev Periodic Table	
Groups 1,7,0	
The order and implications of	
metals and carbon in the reactivity	
series	
ceramics, polymers and	
composites (qualitative)	
Hydrocarbons, Alcohols and	
Carboxylic acid	
The composition and structure of	
the Earth and its atmosphere	
Atmospheric Science	
The carbon cycle	
Surface properties of matter	
including Nanoparticles	

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PHYSICS	
Calculation of fuel uses and costs	
in the domestic context	
Fuels and energy resources	
Conservation of Energy	
Energy changes and transfers in	
simple machines	
Heating and thermal equilibrium	
Energy changes within a system	
Quantitative relationship between	
speed, distance and time	
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Interaction of and representation	
of forces between objects	
Moments	
Measuring forces	
Forces and Matter Hooke's Law	
HOOKE S Law	
Work done and energy changes	
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Non-contact forces	
Pressure in fluids	
Newton's laws of motion	
Newton slaws of motion	
Transverse waves	
Sound	
Electromagnetic Induction	
Liltung ag von d	
Ultrasound	
Light waves travelling through a	
vacuum	
Light and the EM Spectrum	
Reflection and refraction of light:	
The Human Eye: Coloured Light	
Magnetism and the motor effect	
Particle Model- 1.The Kinetic	
theory model	
lacory model	
Current electricity and simple	
circuits	
The definition and measurement	
of current, potential difference	
and resistance and the relationship	
between them.	
Static electricity	
Particle Model-2 Explaining the	
Gas Laws	
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DC motors	
Melting, freezing, evaporation, sublimation, condensation, dissolving	
Brownian motion	
Gravity, weight and mass	
Energy in matter	
Seasons	
Structures in the universe	
Astronomy	
Radioactivity	
Types, Uses Dangers	