

Homework



Why should you do Homework?

Research states that:

- Children who regularly complete homework have better school outcomes than children who do not.
- Completing homework can add up to 5 months progress each year.



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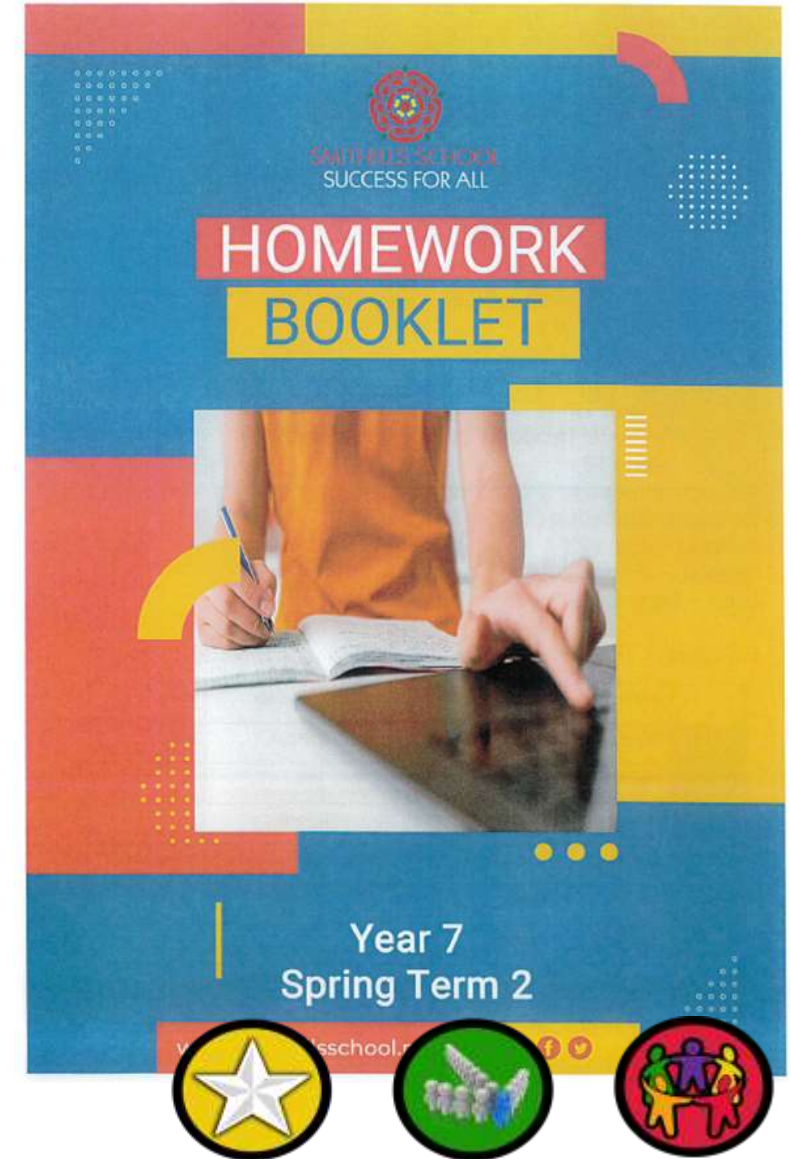
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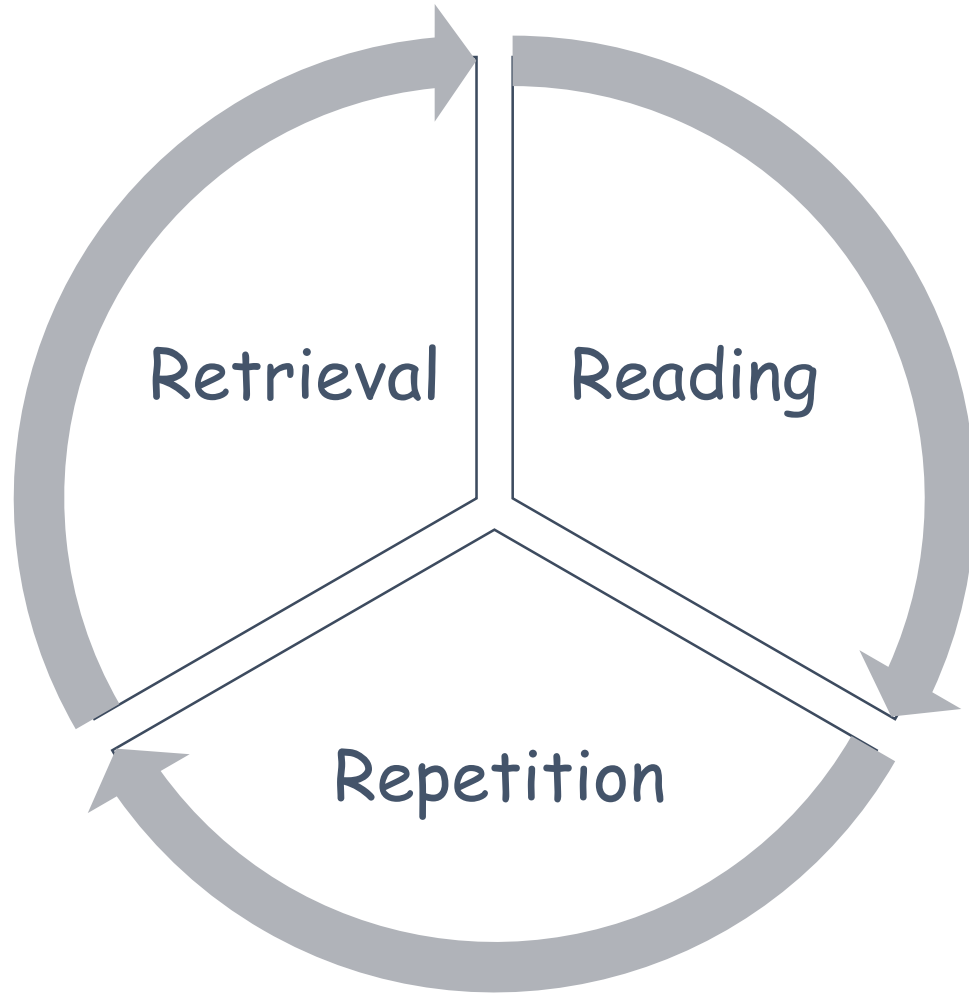
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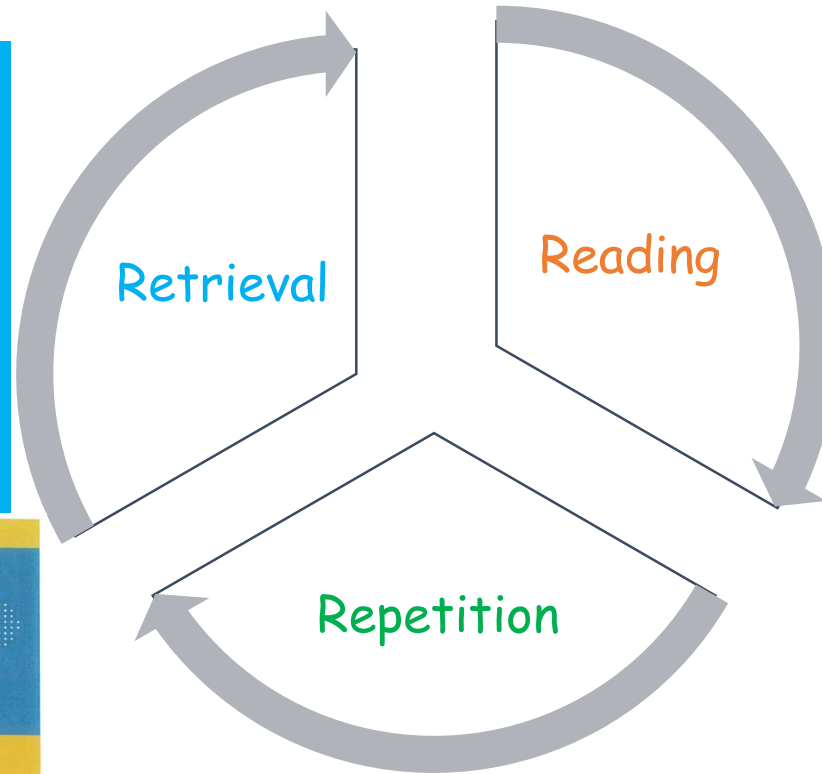
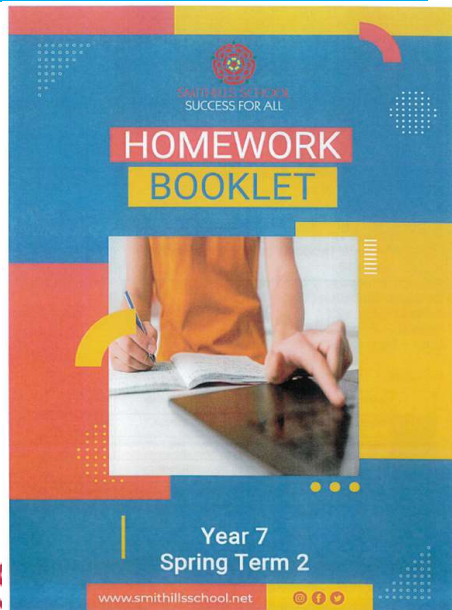
The 3 R's: Retrieval, Repetition and Reading.

- All subjects
- **HOM**Ework OR 3 R's enrichment opportunities
- Timetable



What will homework look like?

- Knowledge Organiser based - we teach you key strategies to help you to revise key information.

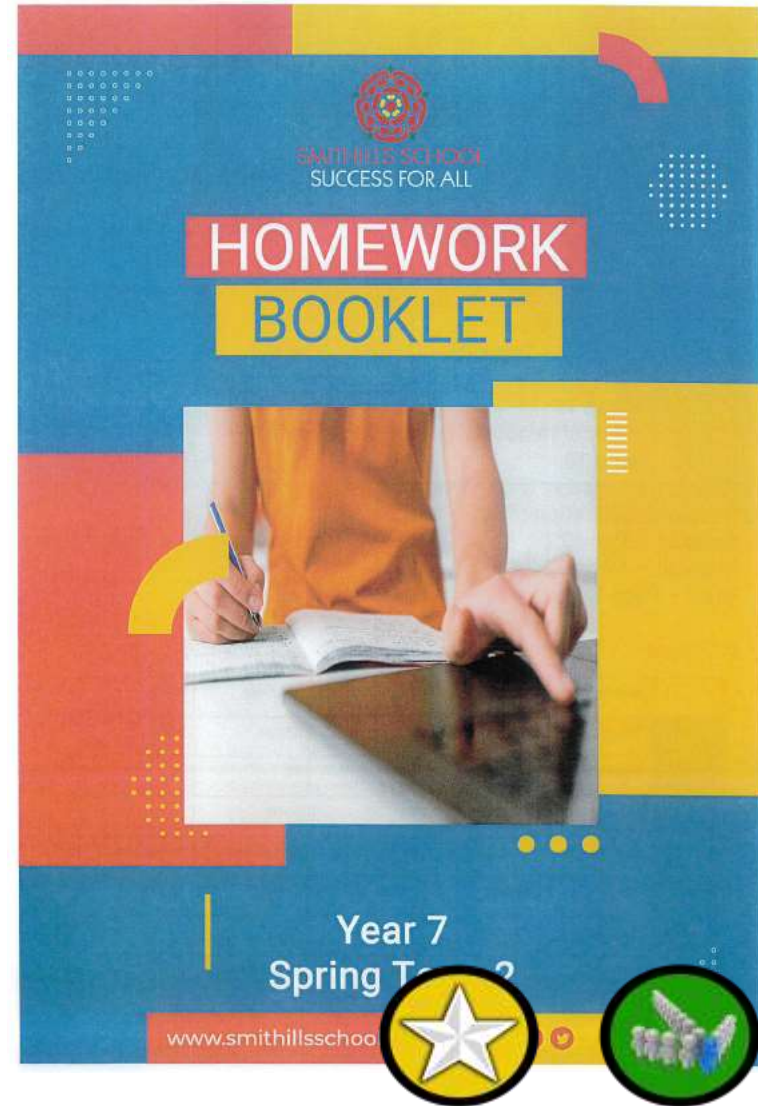


- Sparx Reader
- 10 minutes of careful reading each night or 70 minutes a week, this is equivalent to 350 SPR (Sparx Reader Points)

- Long term memory
- Spaced Practice



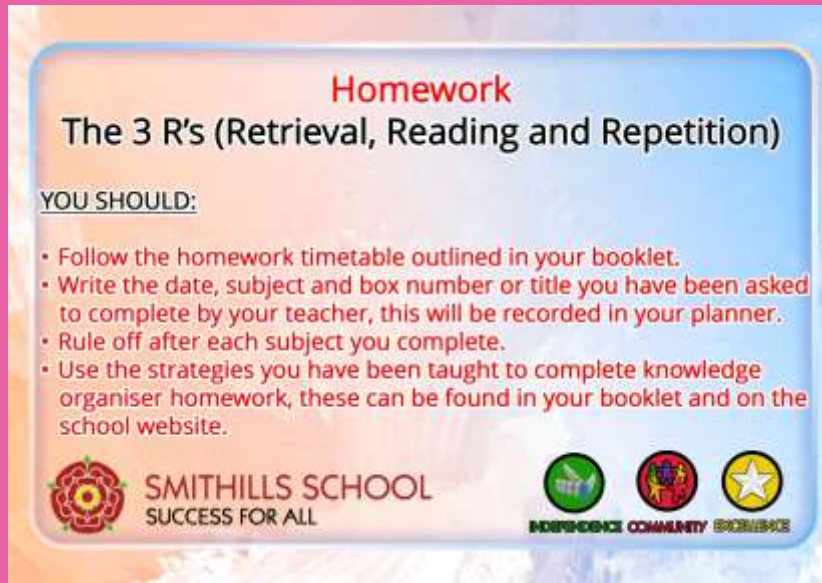
Where will I complete my homework?



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James Smith
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Your homework exercise book is part of equipment checks and should be brought **daily**



1. Name and form need to be written on the front
2. Homework sticker stuck on front, follow the instructions given

The instructions...



Look at the timetable in your booklet.



Your form tutor will ask you to write the subject/s in your Pupil Planner that should be completed each evening.

□ In your pink exercise book, write the date and subject at the top of each piece of work.

□ Use the homework strategies (QR codes) to help you recall information from your Knowledge Organiser or complete the tasks provided in your pink exercise book.



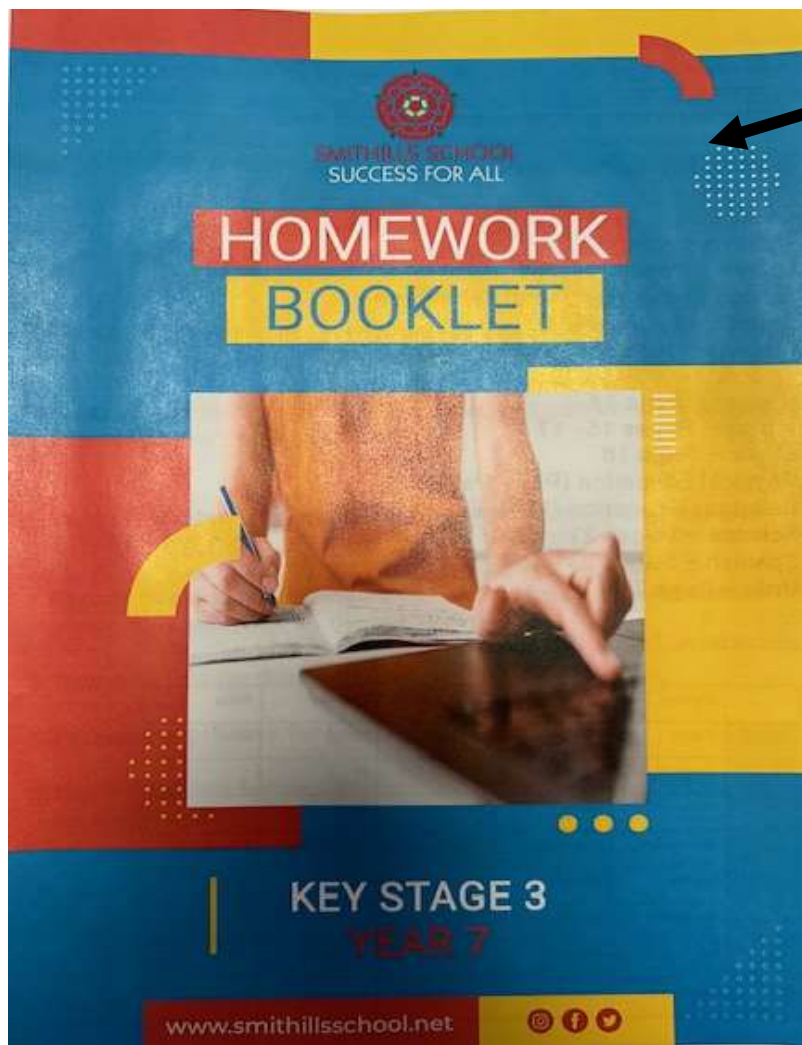
Draw a line under each task once completed.



Repeat this for each subject you have been set that day.



The homework booklet is also part of equipment checks and should be brought to school **daily**



- Inside you will find knowledge organisers and/or tasks given by your teacher.
- You will complete these in your homework exercise book.
- Watch the video which shows the first strategy we are using with our knowledge organiser, if you ever want to watch it again scan the QR code inside your homework booklet.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rzHZelPnBNk>

A new strategy will be taught each half term.



There is a timetable in your homework booklet.
Ensure you are checking it every day and stick to it!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week A	English	Maths	Science	English	Maths
	Geography	History	Spanish, Urdu and French (Y9)	RE	
	Music	Dance	PE	Food	
	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader
	Science	English	Maths	Science	English
Week B	Geography	History	Spanish, Urdu and French (Y9)	RE	
	Art	Drama	Design Technology	Computing	
	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader

Year 7, 8 and 9
timetable

10 minutes on each
subject, each night =
40 minutes

Friday is less!



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There is a timetable in your homework booklet. Ensure you are checking it every day and stick to it!

15 minutes on each subject, each night +
Sparx Reader = 40 minutes

Friday is less!

Years 10 and 11
Timetable

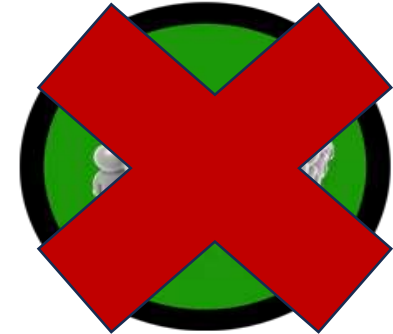
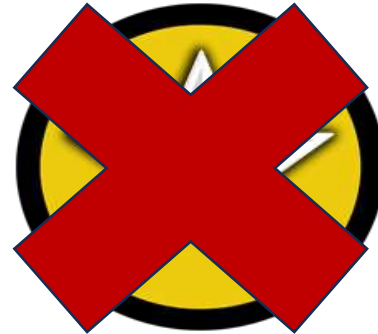
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Week A	Maths	Science	English	Maths	Science
	Option W/X	Humanities	Science	Option Y/Z	
	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader
	English	Maths	Science	English	Maths
	Science	Option Y/Z	Humanities	Option W/X	
	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader
Week B	Maths	Science	English	Maths	Science
	Option W/X	Humanities	Science	Option Y/Z	
	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader	Sparx Reader
	English	Maths	Science	English	Maths
	Science	Option Y/Z	Humanities	Option W/X	
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Form tutors will check homework completion everyday



- ☺ If your homework is complete, you will receive a value point each day for excellence or independence
- ☺ You will also receive 5 points a week for Sparx Reader, Science and Maths completion

☹ If homework is incomplete you will receive 'No Homework' logged on Arbor, this will be done daily and your parents/carers can see this.



Sparx Reader

- To begin your reading on Sparx Reader, you will complete a short reading test in the next week.
- The outcome of the test means books matched to your reading age will be available for you to choose from on the platform.
- Your form tutor will check your progress once per week and you will receive value points if you have completed it and 'no homework' if you haven't.

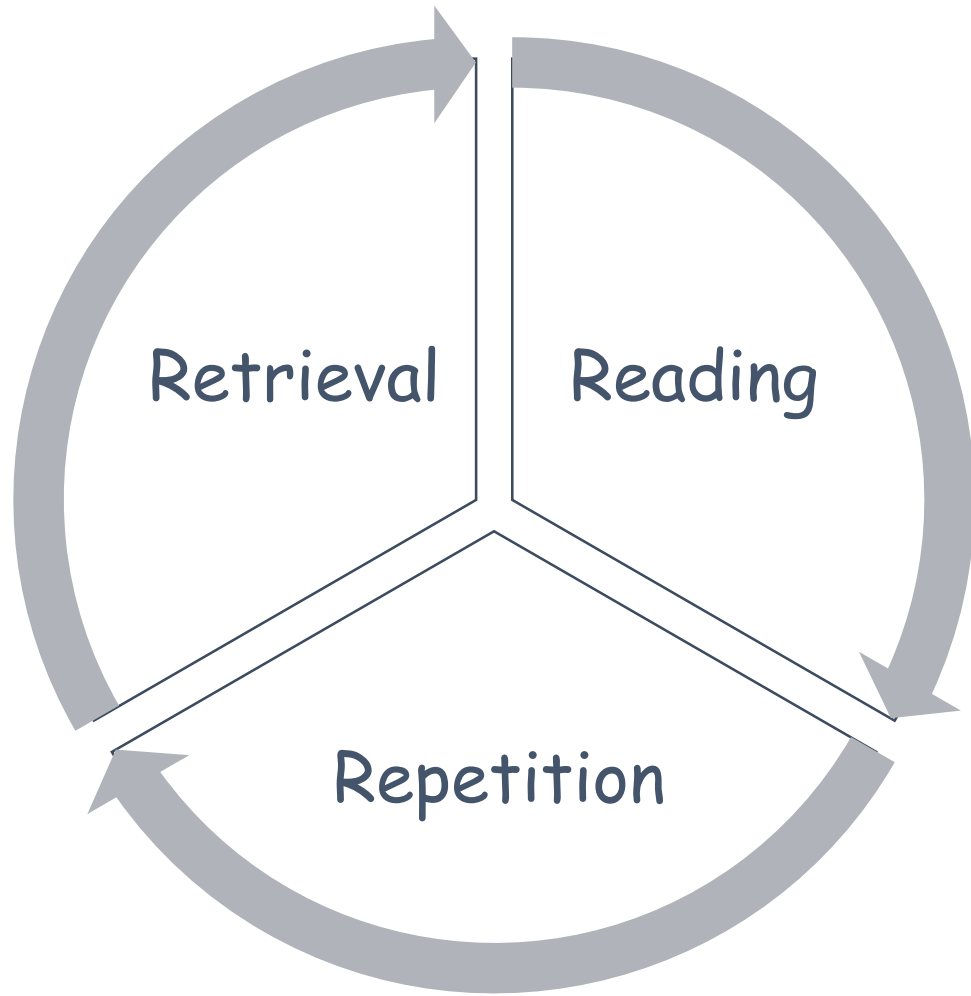
10 BENEFITS OF READING



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In summary



1. Stick to the homework timetable each evening
2. Follow the instructions on the front of your exercise book to help you complete homework
3. Complete the Sparx Reader test to the best of your ability, this means you get accurately matched to your ability level
4. Can you get your 20 value points a week for completing all homework?
5. Improve your life chances by knowing and remembering more

