HOW CAN WE USE FLASHCARDS TO SUPPORT OUR REVISION?

Recalling your flashcards from memory is more powerful than copying from them.

The Leitner System (below) is a great technique.

PREPARE

Create your flashcards. Remember to keep them simple, add pictures, use mnemonic devices and stick to only one point per card.
Find some boxes or cups (4 or 5). Label them up.
Place all your flashcards in box 1 to start.

REVIEW

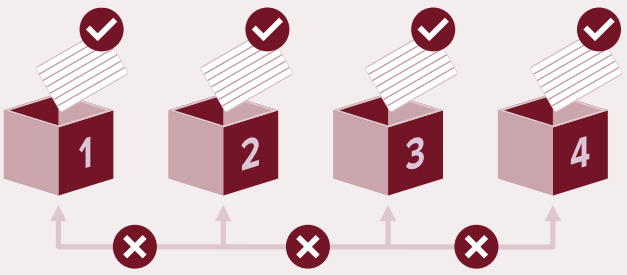
Review your flashcards. Look at the front (the question) and try to recall the answer without looking at the back (the answer).
If you answer correctly, place the card in box 2.
If you answer incorrectly, return the card to box 1.

PROGRESS

Review the cards in box 1 at the start of every study session.
Review cards in box 2 less frequently (e.g. once every 2 or 3 sessions). If you answer a card correctly in box 2, move it to box 3. if you answer incorrectly, return it to box 1.

KEEP GOING

Continue moving flashcards to higher boxes (box 3, box 4, etc.) as you recall them correctly. Flashcards in higher numbered boxes should be reviewed less frequently. As you learn new material, add new flashcards to box 1. Keep the system going, regularly cycling through all the flashcards based on how well you know each one.



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