

# How to study maths

## Organise

Keep all papers relevant to each week together

- printed lecture notes
- hand written lecture notes
- exercise questions
- your answers to exercises

Label all hand written material:

- lecture notes – W1 (short for week 1) and the date (e.g. 12/3)
- exercise answers – exercise and question number (e.g. Ex 2 Q3.1)

You may want to keep a soft copy of your notes instead. See our **IT Tips sheet** for simple, helpful ideas on how to make studying easier.



## Schedule

Short frequent study sessions are best for maths:

- 5 x 1 hour sessions are better than a single 5 hour session

## Every week

- reread lecture notes – try to follow each step and each example
- attempt the exercises – refer back to similar examples done in your lectures.
- Set out your answers using plenty of space - try them on scrap paper first if you are uncertain, then copy them neatly in your book.
- Mark any questions you can't get correct, so you can ask about them at your tutorial or help session.

