

**Study talk
for parents of
Fifth Year students**

*‘I’ve done all my
homework.’*

While this may be true, you are never
finished revision....

not until you’ve sat the last exam of the
Leaving Certificate.

**Important difference
between**

HOMEWORK

and

STUDY

**Recommended time
spent on homework
AND study for Leaving
Certificate:**

15 hours a week

Get Organised

Room free from
distraction.

An A4 Lever Arch File
for each subject.

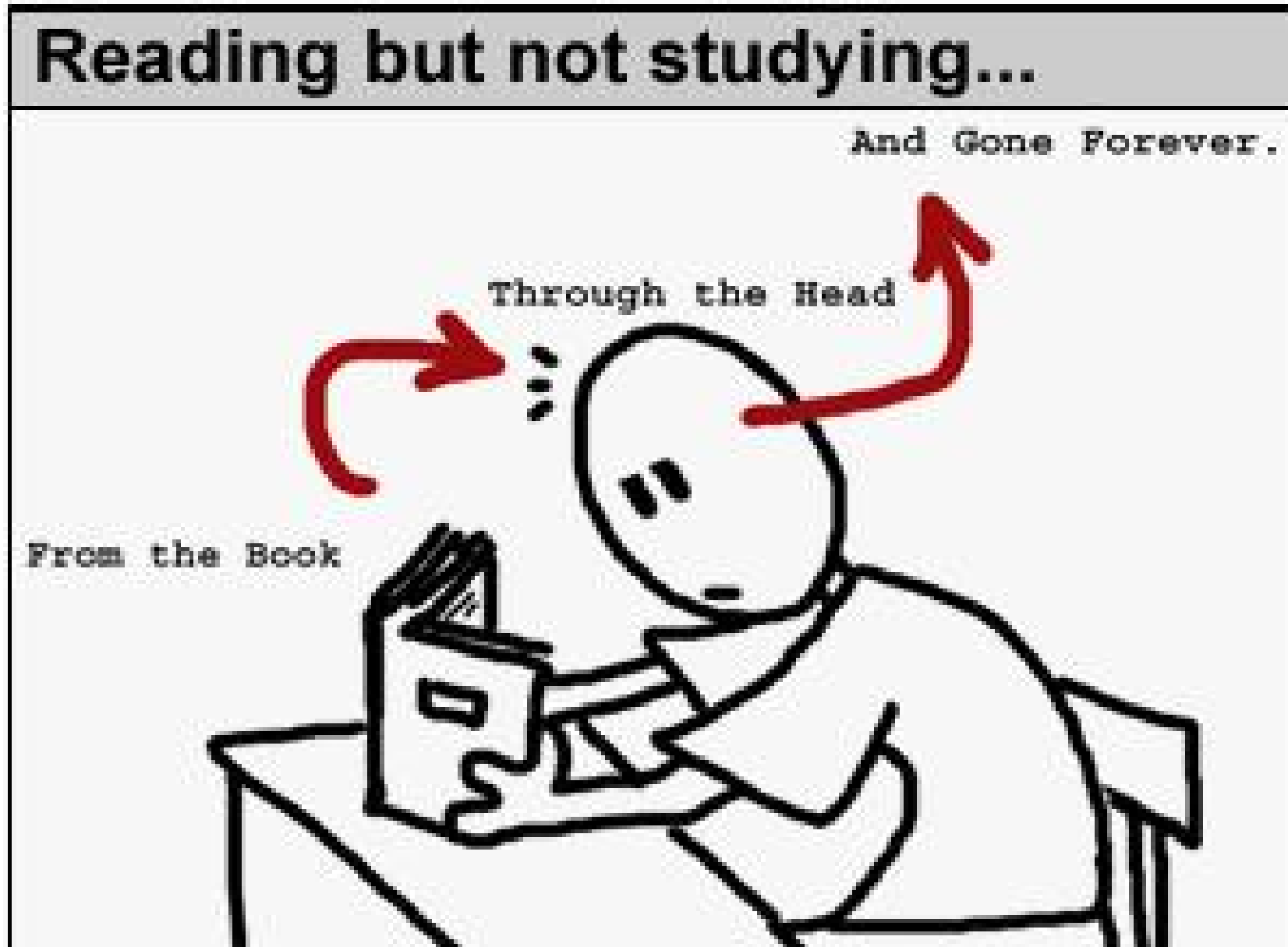
Setting a routine

TIME	MON.	TUES.
6.00 – 6.30	Homework	Homework
6.30 – 7.00	Homework	Homework
7.00 – 7.30		
7.30 – 7.55	Study – REVISION	T
8.00 – 8.25	Study – REVISION	R
8.30 – 9.00		A
9.00 – 9.15	REVIEW	I
9.30 – 9.55	Study	N
10.00 – 10.30	Homework	I
10.30		N
	3 ½ hours	G 1 hour

TIME	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.
6.00	Homework	Homework		Homework			
6.30	Homework	Homework		Homework			
7.00			Homework	Homework	Homework		
7.30	Study	T	Study				
8.00	Study	R		Study			
8.30		A	REVIEW				
9.00	REVIEW	I	Study	REVIEW			
9.30	Study	N	Homework				
10.00	Homework	I		Homework			
10.30		N					
	3 ½ hours	G 1 hour	2 ½ hours	3 hours	½ hour		

Another 5 hours between Saturday and Sunday

Study involves written work



Regular revision sessions
of about 15 minutes.

Recalling information.

Reinforcing what has
been learned

Revision should be specific:

I'm going to revise English.

I'm going to revise 'Elizabeth Bishop'

✓ I'm going to revise 'Filling Station' – its theme and language

STUDYING ENGLISH

Be familiar with the texts

Poetry, Single text – constant rereading

Stay up to date with current events

‘Irish Times’, ‘Irish Independent’ ‘Time’
- all online.

Film and music magazines – ‘Empire’
‘Total Film’ – all online.

Write in spare time –
English exam is entirely written –
no oral or aural exam.

Higher level students must be
proficient in language use.

**It's not about the length of
time spent studying.**

But

How the time is spent.

Reading for leisure.

The following texts have appeared on the Leaving Certificate comparative reading list.

BALLARD, J.G. Empire of the Sun
BRONTË, Emily Wuthering Heights
DICKENS, Charles Great Expectations
FITZGERALD, F Scott The Great Gatsby
HAMID, Moshin The Reluctant Fundamentalist
HARDY, Thomas, Tess of the D'Urbervilles
HARRIS, Robert Pompeii
HOSSEINI, Khaled The Kite Runner
ISHIGURO, Kazuo Never Let Me Go
JOHNSTON, Jennifer How Many Miles to Babylon?
LEONARD, Hugh Home Before Night
MCCARTHY, Cormac, The Road
MCEWAN, Ian Atonement
MACLAVERTY, Bernard Lamb
SANSOM, C.J. Dissolution
WOLFF, Tobias This Boy's Life
ZUSAK, Markus The Book Thief