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	Teacher 1	Teacher 2	
Y12 Autumn Term	What is business? Understanding the nature and purpose of business Understanding different business structures Understanding that businesses operate within an external environment Decision making to improve financial performance Setting financial objectives Analysing financial performance Making financial decisions: sources of finance Making financial decisions: improving cash flow and profits	Managers, leadership and decision making - Understanding management, leadership and decision making Understanding the role and importance of stakeholder Decision making to improve human resource performance Setting human resource objectives Analysing human resource performance	
Y12 Spring Term	Decision making to improve Operational performance Setting operational objectives Analysing operational performance Making operational decisions to improve performance: increasing efficiency and productivity Making operational decisions to improve performance: improving quality Making operational decisions to improve performance: managing inventory and supply chains	Making human resource decisions: improving motivation and engagement Making human resource decisions: improving employer-employee relations Decision making to improve Marketing performance Setting marketing objectives Understanding markets and customers Making marketing decisions: segmentation, targeting, positioning Making marketing decisions: using the marketing mix	
Y12 Summer Term	A2 Analysing the strategic position of a business to assess strengths and weaknesses Mission, corporate objectives and strategy	Examination preparation	
Y13 Autumn Term	financial ratio analysis overall performance political and legal change social and technological the competitive environment Analysing strategic options: investment appraisal Choosing strategic direction Strategic direction: choosing which markets to compete in and what products to offer Strategic positioning: choosing how to compete		

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	Choosing strategic direction Strategic direction: choosing which markets to compete in and what products to offer Strategic positioning: choosing how to compete Strategic methods: how to pursue strategies Assessing a change in scale Assessing innovation					
Y13 Spring Term	Managing strategic change Managing change Managing organisational culture Managing strategic implementation Problems with strategy and why strategies fail Examination preparation					