**A Level Economics: Wider Reading**

Over the summer try and keep up to date with what is currently happening in the economic and business world. Try and read a business section of a broadsheet newspaper (The Guardian, The Observer, The Independent and The Telegraph) once a week or watch the news, particularly if there have been announcements about COVID 19 and any economic issues.

Students who achieve higher grades in Economics are often those who can demonstrate broader knowledge of the current UK and global economic situation, in class, written work and exam questions.

These are some books that will also support you in your studies throughout the course:

* **Freakonomics** (Dubner and Levitt) – a good place to start, this book teaches people about what economics really is
* **Something Will Turn Up** (David Smith) – one of my favourites, a highly accessible and very interesting read about the British economy over the last century
* **Art of Strategy** (Dixit and Nalebuff) – especially good for Game Theory examples and analysis
* **Capitalism: 50 Ideas You Really Need to Know** (Jonathan Portes) – compact and excellent reference material
* **GDP: A Brief but Affectionate History** (Professor Diane Coyle) – very good on the GDP / well-being debate
* **Grave New World** (Stephen King) – former senior economic advisor at HSBC looks at the fracturing global economy
* **Ten Great Economists** (Philip Thornton) – biographical background, well worth a read

Enjoy!

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