**Economics**

1) Take an interest in the News! Read a paper, watch the tv, listen to the radio, go on a news app, it doesn't matter how you do it but being a good Economist is about taking an interest in the world around you. Try the BBC News website, the FT, The Economist or any other news broadcaster.

Print off and highlight, take notes on or write down some questions about some of the news stories you see - where is Economics in the story? How will it affect people, businesses, Government policy, international trade?

Complete the table below with what you find and bring these to the first lesson to discuss in September.

2) Read one of the following popular introductions to economics (available from a library or bookshop):

- Freakonomics, by Steven D. Levitt & Stephen J. Dubner

- The Armchair Economist: Economics & Everyday Life, by Steven E. Landsburg

- The Undercover Economist, by Tim Harford

3) Have a look at the specification for the AS Level - [**Edexcel Economics A**](https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/A%20Level/economics-a/2015/specification-and-sample-assessment-materials/A_Level_Econ_A_Spec.pdf)

4) Download and listen to one of the great podcasts on Economics:

i) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b006qshd>

ii) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p04b1g3c/episodes/downloads>

iii) <https://www.npr.org/podcasts/452538045/freakonomics-radio?t=1529995046606&t=1531829662757>

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