**EPQ Bridging Course – Week 3**

**Looking at the Edexcel website.**

Which of the projects in the *Exemplar Material* did you look at?

As I chose to present my EPQ as a dissertation I decided to look at Scientific Research- commentary which is a dissertation. I read each of the four areas to find out about what I need to do to maximise the mark that I could get in the EPQ.

Firstly, I have noticed that you need to have a project plan which is clear and concise plan with detailed objectives. You also need to manage your time well and keep a log of what you have done to stay organised and this will help to gain the most marks possible.

I also noticed that I need to use a wide range of materials for research. So, for me to gain the highest amount of marks I need to use textbooks as well as the internet.

I noticed that the develop and realise section is the biggest section for marks by far, so I need to make sure I structure my work to keep it clearly presented and make sure that all information and facts in the dissertation is relevant to the topic. I also saw that you need to include well argued and well thought decision/arguments for the chosen question. This means that I need to make sure that my research is done well to make sure I have explanations in favour or against my question.

I finally noticed that the review section of the dissertation is very important. I need to make sure that I check my work thoroughly to make sure its structured well, presented clearly and relevant to the topic of the question.

What have you noticed/learned from this experience?

Do you have any questions you would like answered?