**Top GCSE Chemistry exam tips from AQA**

* Know what the command words mean in the questions
* Clear letter and number formation
* Read the information given
  + Analyse it
  + Understand what the question is asking
* Do not repeat the question in your answer
* Cross out mistakes
* Use scientific terminology – know key words
* Calculation questions
  + Always show working out
  + Use correct units – convert if necessary
  + Do not round until the final answer
  + Give to correct number of significant figures
  + Tangents to curves – as large as possible to reduce errors
* Never use ‘amount’ always volume or mass
* Know how to describe the structure and bonding of substances
  + Use to explain their properties
* Know your way around the periodic table
* Chemical equations
  + Correct formula
  + Balance them
* Plan longer response answers
  + Make sure it’s logical
  + Bullet points can be used
  + Diagrams can be included
* Practical
  + A method must be clear and result in valid results, include variables