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**Advice for Pupils
and Parents
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Dear Pupils and Parents

Thank you for choosing a Tutors' Alliance tutor to help you achieve your educational goals. You have chosen a tutor you can trust. Your tutor has been rigorously vetted by Tutors' Alliance to ensure that you get the best possible tuition experience.



I set up Tutors' Alliance because I was worried about how unregulated the private tuition market was. As a tutor myself, I know how important it is that pupils and parents feel that their tutor is not only able to help academically but also, above all, that their tutor is suitable for working with young people. Protecting pupils is our overall goal within Tutors' Alliance.

This booklet gives you some advice about what the Tutor Check is and what it is not. The Tutor Check provides a solution to parents and pupils who now do not have to trawl through pages and pages of documents, certificates and references; Tutors' Alliance has already done this. If I were to give you one piece of advice, it would be the same advice I give to the tutors. Make sure you get on with one another – that way, both the tutor and the pupil will get the most out of private tuition.

If you have any queries about your tutor or tuition in general, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

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Top 5 Tips for Pupils and Parents

1. The Tutor Check is a report detailing a tutor's qualifications, experience and credentials. The tutor has been subjected to rigorous qualifications-checking system as well as an interview with Tutors' Alliance and two personal references have been obtained. Using all the information collated, Tutors' Alliance is able to produce a document which gives an accurate and reliable summary of the tutor's suitability for private tuition. After reading the tutor's Tutor Check, if you have any questions about the tutor, please call Tutors' Alliance and Valerie Kemp will be very pleased to help you.
2. Remember – an Enhanced Disclosure certificate is only up-to-date as at the date given on the certificate. It therefore cannot be relied upon as a fail-safe method of knowing that the tutor is suitable. It does demonstrate that at the date of issue, the tutor has not been convicted of any crime which could make him or her unsuitable for tuition. Although instances of reported malpractice are very small, be aware of child protection issues at all times. Please make sure there is an adult present in the home if the pupil is under 16. If you have any concerns, please contact Valerie Kemp as soon as possible.
3. Ensure that you have come to arrangements about times, days and rates before the tutor commences tutoring. It is advisable to ask for these to be provided in writing.
4. Keep up-to-date with the pupil's progress both at school and with tutoring. If you have questions about the pupil's performance, please

ask the tutor. The earlier concerns are brought up, the earlier they will be dealt with.

5. Tutors' Alliance is here to help. Our website has lots of information about finding a tutor as well as links to lots of resources and helpful websites. If you do have questions about any aspects of tuition, Valerie Kemp will answer them.

Finally – enjoy tutoring!

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