

Module 9: Defining Your Path


Topic 6 Content: Typical Questions for Revision

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A woman with dark hair, wearing a grey blazer, blue jeans, and black boots, stands against a plain, light-colored background. She is holding a large, rectangular sign in front of her chest. The sign is white with a black border and has the word "REVISE" written on it in large, bold, black, sans-serif capital letters. The entire scene is framed within a digital interface with a dark grey header and a light grey border.

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