

YouTube Channel Evaluation Checklist

A one-page checklist to judge whether a new YouTube channel is reliable enough to use for CBSE exam preparation.

Channel Name: _____ Subject: _____ Date Checked: _____

1. Syllabus Alignment

- ☐ Playlists are organised by chapter or unit, matching the current CBSE syllabus
- ☐ Content matches the class/grade level you're studying
- ☐ No obviously outdated syllabus references (old marking schemes, removed chapters)

2. Teaching Clarity

Explanations build from basics rather than jumping to shortcuts

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Delivery is clear and easy to follow at normal speed

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Worked examples are shown step-by-step, not skipped over

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3. Comment Section Health

- ☐ Viewers' corrections are acknowledged or pinned by the creator
- ☐ No large volume of unresolved "this is wrong" comments
- ☐ Comments are enabled (not turned off)

4. Red Flags — Check Any That Apply

- ☐ Titles promise guaranteed marks or "one shot" mastery with no real explanation
- ☐ Numbers, dates, or formulas don't match your NCERT textbook
- ☐ Comments disabled or corrections consistently ignored for months
- ☐ Frequent, aggressive mid-video promotions interrupting the explanation

Two or more boxes checked in this section is a strong signal to look elsewhere.

5. Overall Trust Score Guide

Score	What It Means
Mostly checked, 0 red flags	Safe to add to your subject-wise tracker
Mostly checked, 1 red flag	Usable with caution — verify against NCERT each time
Few checked, or 2+ red flags	Skip it — find an alternative channel