The maximum displacement of particles of the medium from their mean positions during the propagation of a wave	Angle of an incident (arriving) ray or particle to a surface; measured from a line perpendicular to the surface (the normal)	Angle of a reflected ray or particle from a surface; measured from a line perpendicular to the surface (the normal)	Lines of constructive interference
Amplitude (of waves)	Angle of incidence	Angle of reflection	Antinodal lines
A point of maximum amplitude because of constructive interference of waves	A part of a longitudinal wave in which the density of the particles of the medium is higher than the normal density	Two waves arriving at the same place, at the same time and in phase, add amplitudes to create a wave with a larger amplitude	The point of maximum positive displacement on a transverse wave is called a crest
Antinode	Compression	Constructive interference	Crest
Limit to the angle of incidence when all light rays are reflected internally	A complete vibration	A nonlinear scale of loudness based on the ratio of the intensity level of a sound to the intensity at the threshold of hearing	Two waves arriving at the same point at the same time out of phase add their amplitudes to create zero total disturbance.
Critical angle	Cycle	Decibel scale	Destructive interference
Wave changes direction	Bending of waves around a barrier/through a gap	Series of fine slits or lines used to deviate waves (e.g. Light)	Light rays reflected in many random directions, as opposed to the parallel rays reflected from a perfectly smooth
Deviates	Diffraction	Diffraction grating	Diffuse reflection

Refraction in e.g. A prism causes white light to split up into colours	A reflected sound that can be distinguished from the original sound, which usually arrives 0.1 s or more after the original sound	Unit of frequency; equivalent to one cycle per second	Matter emitting visible light as a result of high temperature e.g. a light bulb/flame because of high temperature
Dispersion	Echo	Hertz	Incandescent
Moving towards (e.g. Incident light strikes a mirror)	Line representing the direction of motion of incoming light approaching a boundary	Waves about to collide with boundary / interface	The ratio of the speed of light in a vacuum to the speed of light in a material
Incident	Incident ray	Incoming waves	Index of refraction
Sound waves having too low a frequency to be heard by the human ear; sound having a frequency of less than 20 Hz	A measure of the energy carried by a wave	Boundary between two different media	Effect occurring when waves meet
Infrasonic	Intensity	Interface	Interference
The wave in which the particles oscillate in the same direction as the direction of propagation of wave e.g. sound waves	Related directly to the amount of energy of the vibrating source	The total amount of energy radiated into space each second from the surface of a star	An object or objects that produce visible light; for example star/light bulbs/burning materials
Longitudinal waves	Loudness	Luminosity	Luminous

The waves, which need a material medium for their propagation e.g. Sound waves, water waves	Lines of destructive interference	A point in a stationary wave without any disturbances. Destructive interference occurs at nodes. Nodes are	Sounds made up of groups of waves of random frequency and intensity
Mechanical wave	Nodal lines	Node	Noise
A line perpendicular to the surface of a boundary	The time required for one complete cycle of a wave	When wave collides with a boundary / interface the reflected wave has same speed/amplitude as incident wave but is	Frequency of sound (low pitch = low frequency, high pitch = high frequency)
Normal	Period (wave)	Phase change	Pitch
A wave of short duration confined to a small portion of the medium at any given time	A part of a longitudinal wave in which the density of the particles of the medium is less than the normal density	An image generated by a lens or mirror that can be projected onto a screen	A line representing direction of motion of light reflected from a boundary
Pulse	Rarefaction	Real image	Reflected ray
The change when light, sound, or other waves bounce backwards off a boundary	A change in the direction of travel of light, sound, or other waves crossing a boundary	Apparent increase in volume caused by reflections, usually arriving within 0.1 second after the original sound	Gap /Aperture
Reflection	Refraction	Reverberation	Slit

Sound waves that pile up into a shock wave when a source is traveling at or faster than the speed of sound	Longitudinal wave that requires a medium (travels at 340 ms -1 in air)	The dispersion of white light into its component colours ROYGBIV for visible light	When two or more waves occupy the same position at the same time, they become 'overlapped' and show a combined
Sonic boom	Sound waves	Spectrum	Superimposed
Addition of wave pulses	Electromagnetic waves with frequencies in the infrared range lower than the red end of the visible spectrum	The time taken by a wave to travel through a distance equal to its wavelength is called its time period	The time taken to complete one oscillation is called the time period of an oscillation.
Superposition of pulses	Thermal radiation	Time Period (of a wave)	Time Period (of an oscillation)
Occurs when a wave arrives at a boundary at the critical angle or beyond and is reflected back	A wave in which the particles of the medium oscillate in a direction perpendicular of the direction of propagation of wave	The point of maximum negative displacement on a transverse wave is called a trough	Sound waves too high in frequency to be heard by the human ear; frequencies above 20,000Hz
Total internal reflection	Transverse waves	Trough	Ultrasonic
An image where light rays appear to originate from a mirror or lens; this image cannot be projected on a screen	A disturbance or oscillation that moves through a medium	Top of the wave	Direction which wave is travelling (wave front will be at 90 o to this)

Point on wave where waves have the same path length from the source	The movement of a disturbance produced in one part of a medium to another involving the transfer of energy but not the transfer	The time required for two successive crests or other successive parts of the wave to pass a given point	The distance traveled by a wave in one second is called the wave velocity
Wave front	Wave motion	Wave period	Wave velocity
The distance between the two nearest points on a waves (two adjacent crests or two adjacent troughs)			
Wavelength			