

History

WHAT IS IT?

GCSE History is a really exciting course that will build on history that you have done at KS3 but also introduce you to brand new topics and ideas.

You are assessed in four different ways, these are called Assessment Objectives (AO1-4)

- Your use of knowledge and ability to remember facts and information. (AO1)
- Your ability to argue and explain your opinion on events that you study. (AO2)
- Can you use evidence such as sources from the time of events that you study. (AO3)
- Can you read and understand different historian's opinions. (AO4)

Weimar and Nazi Germany

This exam looks at how Hitler became leader of Germany. What problems did Germany face after WW1 and how did Hitler use these to persuade people to vote for him as their leader?



We study four different topics during year 10 & 11.

Crime and Punishment in Britain c.1000-modern day.

This is a "thematic" study, this means we take a theme and look at how it has changed over time. We look at Crime and Punishment, from public hangings through to the prison system, trial by fire to police officers and poaching through to cyber-fraud. This topic covers lots of interesting crimes and punishments. CASE STUDY: Whitechapel and the crimes of Jack the Ripper!



Early Elizabethan England 1558-1588

One of England's most famous monarchs, Elizabeth the First was Queen at a time of huge religious upheaval. She ruled for 45 years and survived 4 major assassination attempts, defeated a Spanish invasion and managed to settle a huge religious argument. She did this as a woman at a time where women were rarely leaders and often overlooked.



Superpower relations and the Cold War:1941-91

Why do the USA and Russia still distrust each other?

What was the Cold War?

In this unit we learn about how the USSR (Russia) and the USA were close to WW3 for 50 years. Including: Cuban Missile Crisis, Berlin Airlift, Afghanistan 1979, Prague Spring & the Hungarian Uprising.



Subject Assessment Break Down

Topic 1—Weimar and Nazi Germany	Worth 30% of total Grade	AO1-4
Topic 2— Superpower Relations and the Cold War	Worth 20% of total Grade	AO1&AO2
Topic 3 — Crime and Punishment	Worth 30% of total Grade	AO1-4
Topic 4 — Early Elizabethan England	Worth 20% of total Grade	AO1&2