



Subject: History

Year 8 Curriculum Overview

2018-2019

Half Term 1 Unit Title	Subject Content / Knowledge	Britain 1750-1900; causes and consequences of the Industrial Revolution; health and hygiene; life in the towns and cities and problems with law and order.
	Skills	Historical knowledge AO1; change and continuity AO2; significance AO2; cause and consequence AO2; source work AO3; historical interpretations AO4
	Assessment	GCSE style exam: Explain one way in which punishment in eighteenth century Britain was different to punishment in the twentieth century (4); Explain why there were changes in the towns in the period 1700–1900 (12)
Half Term 2 Unit Title	Subject Content / Knowledge	The causes and events of the First World War 1914-18: the alliance system, the arms race; German imperialism, the Balkans crisis; the assassination of the Archduke Franz Ferdinand; conditions in the trenches; changes in technology in the trenches and the significance of the Battle of the Somme.
	Skills	Historical knowledge AO1; change and continuity AO2; significance AO2; cause and consequence AO2; source work AO3; historical interpretations AO4
	Assessment	GCSE style exam: Describe two features of the trench system on the Western Front (4); How useful are Sources A and B for an enquiry into conditions in the trenches in the First World War? (8)
Half Term 3	Subject Content / Knowledge	The Treaty of Versailles and its long- term results for Germany and the allied countries;

Unit Title		the growth of dictatorships between the two World Wars.
	Skills	Historical knowledge AO1; change and continuity AO2; significance AO2; cause and consequence AO2; source work AO3; historical interpretations AO4
	Assessment	GCSE style exam: 'The Treaty of Versailles was the most important reason the Second World War broke out.' How far do you agree with this statement? (16) (3 reasons: Treaty of Versailles, rise of Hitler and appeasement)
Half Term 4 Unit Title	Subject Content / Knowledge	Life in Nazi Germany. Causes of the Second World War.
	Skills	Historical knowledge AO1; change and continuity AO2; significance AO2; cause and consequence AO2; source work AO3; historical interpretations AO4
	Assessment	GCSE style exam: Explain two consequences of the Reichstag Fire for the German people. (8). How far did life improve under Nazi rule between 1933 and 1939? (8)
Half Term 5 Unit Title	Subject Content / Knowledge	The Holocaust.
	Skills	Historical knowledge AO1; change and continuity AO2; significance AO2; cause and consequence AO2; source work AO3; historical interpretations AO4
	Assessment	GCSE style exam: Write a narrative account of how the Jews were persecuted in Nazi Germany from 1933-45 (12)
Half Term 6 Unit Title	Subject Content / Knowledge	The Cold War and events that shook the world after the Second World War: the atomic bomb; the assassination of John F Kennedy and the civil rights movement in the USA.
	Skills	Historical knowledge AO1; change and continuity AO2; significance AO2; cause and consequence AO2; source work AO3; historical interpretations AO4
	Assessment	GCSE style exam: Explain the importance in the development of the Cold War of two of the following: the dropping of the atomic bomb on Japan in 1945, the growth in tension between the USA and the USSR after 1945 and the arms race. (16)

