

History



GCSE in History comprises three units:

What is History?

History is the study of past human affairs and encompasses political, cultural, social and economic change all over the world.

Why study History?

Apart from being interesting, History is a useful qualification. History is an enabling subject highly valued by universities and employers for the transferable analytical skills it develops in students. Employers who see you have a qualification in History know certain things about you. They will know you have acquired key skills which, learnt through the lens of History, can be applied to all sorts of other situations. The thinking skills you will develop will help you in almost all lines of work, with History graduates often moving into journalism, teaching and business.

Year 10 Modules	Year 11 Modules
<p>Unit 1 – Thematic study and historic environment c250 to the present</p> <p>We look at developments in medicine and medical treatment and their impact throughout society; the nature and significance of changes, the extent of change and continuity and factors affecting these issues: the role of individuals, war, government, attitudes and beliefs in society, chance, science and technology. We also look at the injuries and treatment of the British Sector of the Western Front in WW1.</p> <p>Assessment - Examination 1 hour 15 minutes (Sat in summer of Year 11)</p> <p>Answering three source based questions on the Western Front before answering three more questions on the process of change over time to reach judgements. Percentage of overall GCSE Level qualification - 30%</p>	<p>Unit 2B – Period study on Superpower Relations and the Cold War 1941-1991</p> <p>We look at how the Cold War developed, three Cold War crisis including the Berlin Wall, Cuban Missile Crisis and the Czech Uprising and finally why the Cold War ended and the Soviet Union collapsed.</p> <p>Assessment - 1 hour 45 minute examination (Sat in summer of Year 11)</p> <p>Focusing on three questions on consequence, connections between events and importance of events, people and developments. Percentage of overall GCSE Level qualification - 20%</p>
<p>Unit 2A – British Depth Study on Anglo-Saxon and Norman England, c1060-88</p> <p>We look at the fall of Saxon England and the Norman Conquest as well as how William the Conqueror transformed the country with castles, cathedrals and a new way of life in the early Middle Ages.</p> <p>Assessment - 1 hour 45 minute examination (Sat in summer of Year 11)</p> <p>Answering three in depth questions focusing on description, causation and judgement on an issue.</p> <p>Percentage of overall GCSE Level qualification - 20%.</p>	<p>Unit 3 – Modern Depth Study on the USA, 1954-1975: conflict at home and abroad</p> <p>This is a chance to analyse the fight for Civil Rights in America as well as the reasons for and nature of the disastrous conflict in Vietnam which left a Superpower defeated.</p> <p>Assessment - Examination 1 hour 20 minutes (Sat in summer of Year 11)</p> <p>Answering six source based questions on interpretations of the events studied.</p> <p>Percentage of overall GCSE Level qualification - 30%.</p>