

GCSE HISTORY

(8145)

Specification

For teaching from September 2016 onwards
For exams in 2018 onwards



History



GCSE (9-1) History

HISTORY 2 YEAR GCSE

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What will I study in GCSE History?

The AQA GCSE in History aims to foster a knowledge and understanding of selected periods and/or aspects of history, exploring the significance of historical events, people, changes and issues.

A range of courses are studied across two years as detailed below. It is supported by Kerboodle.com an online guide that covers all courses and is packed with resources, exam guidance and practice questions. It is supported and endorsed by AQA.

Year 10 will study two courses:

The first is a thematic study entitled:

Health and the People, c.1000 – present day.

The second is a modern depth study entitled:

Conflict and Tension between the East and West (Cold War) 1945-1972.

Year 11 will study two courses:

The first is a British Depth study entitled:

Elizabethan England, c. 1568 – 1603

The second is a modern depth study entitled:

Germany 1890-1945, Democracy and Dictatorship.

These courses will be examined at the end of year 11, with two written examination papers.

What skills can I gain from studying History?

Pupils will learn to investigate sources and use these to understand change over time. In addition, they will develop skills in constructing arguments and explaining consequences. They will explain why different groups of people and different historical periods have changing ideas about historical significance.

What career paths would History be suitable for?

Teaching, Lawyer, Doctor, MP, Archeologist, Curator, Conservation officer, Travel & Tourism, Armed Forces, Museum guide, Costume

designer, Prop/set design for TV and film and many others.

Subject Combinations

History would go well with:

RE / English / Maths / Science / Geography and Psychology

Useful websites:

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/history/gcse/history-8145>

<https://revisionworld.com/a2-level-level-revision/history-gcse-level>

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/examspecs/zxjk4j6>

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