

GCSE History

INTRODUCTION

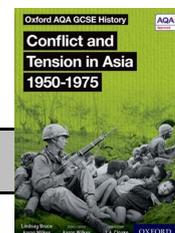
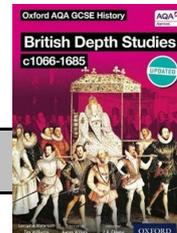
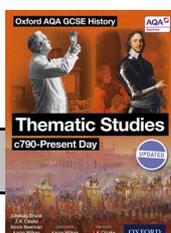
Studying the people of the past can give you real insight into people alive now. It will help you understand how and why humans behave as they do when confronted with the crises of today. Unless you become a lighthouse keeper or a hermit you'll need to understand other people with all their complexities. Knowledge of people is the greatest asset of all. According to the highly respected *Which* magazine; 'Historians are regarded as having had an education that trains their minds to assemble, organise and present facts and opinions and this is a very useful quality in many walks of life and careers. History is an excellent preparation for very many other jobs.'

WHAT TOPICS WILL I STUDY DURING THE COURSE?

The AQA Course we deliver has four main areas of study starting with the rise and fall of Hitler on the Nazis. We then study Medieval England, focusing on what life was like and the impact the Normans had on it. The development of medicine is a fascinating journey which examines mankind's fight against sickness and disease. Finally we look at the Korean and Vietnam wars in the context of the battle between

WHAT SKILLS WILL I USE AND DEVELOP?

- The ability to extract information from evidence.
- Assess the strength of evidence by considering who created it, why it was created and how useful it is to us in our investigations.
- Develop an understanding of how events have affected peoples' lives in the past as well as the present day.
- Construct logical arguments and be able to explain what the main causes or consequences of historical events were.



WHAT EXAMINATIONS WILL I TAKE?

Paper 1: 1 hour 45 minutes

Germany 1890-1945. Conflict and Tension 1950-1975.

Paper 2: 1 hour 45 minutes

Britain: Health and the People c.1000 to the present day.
Norman England c1066-1100

HOW WILL MY WORK BE ASSESSED?

In Years 10 and 11 work is regularly assessed through the completion of exam style questions, this is to ensure enable our pupils to achieve the best grade possible in their Year 11 GCSE exams. Teacher feedback is then given so that pupils can improve their work before moving on to the next section of the course.

HOW WILL THE COURSE HELP ME WITH MY FUTURE CAREER?

History provides pupils with the ability to analyse lots of conflicting arguments and evidence before making an informed decision. In this world of mass media these skills are essential and these skills are valued by most employers. Typical jobs may include journalism, politics, media, law advertising and the wider media.

WHO SHOULD I CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION?

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