

History - A Level

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Course Outline:

Are you ready to embark on an intellectual journey back in time, unravelling the mysteries of the past and providing valuable insights into the present and future? If so, A-Level History offers an unparalleled opportunity to plunge into the recesses of human history, developing your critical thinking and analytical skills, leading to a profound understanding of the world we inhabit.

You will have the opportunity in Year 12 to explore modern European History, tracing the journey of 20th Century Spain from monarchy to republic; dictatorship to democracy. You will uncover how this vibrant nation has shaped the modern world. Alongside this you will explore 20th Century Germany, from the devastation of World War Two through post war divisions of East and West Germany and on to their eventual reunification.

In Year 13 you will drop into the tumultuous world of medieval England and The Wars of the Roses. Discover the intrigue, power struggles and dynastic conflict of medieval England featuring the legendary figures of Henry V and Richard III. Finally, in our Coursework Unit you get to explore a historical topic of your choice. Under our expert guidance you will conduct research and analyse historians' interpretations whilst pursuing your own historical interests.

A-Level History is a rewarding course giving you the opportunity to unravel the complex narratives that have shaped our world through the analysis of historical evidence and the work of historians. It is suited to students who have an innate curiosity about the past and enjoy the challenge of evaluating both contemporary historical sources and historians' interpretations to construct their own arguments.



Progression Post-18

A Level History has much to offer and fits in with a wide range of other A Level courses (Sciences, Geography, English, Sociology, Technology), and is regarded by colleges, universities and employers as evidence of a student's ability to handle information, to think and to express her or himself clearly.

Many of our students go on to study either History itself, or Law, Politics, Philosophy, Psychology and Education (or combinations of these subjects) at colleges and universities.

History is particularly relevant for careers in journalism, law, broadcasting, government and administration in all its aspects. Any career that demands independent thinking and an ability to see all sides of the issue will benefit from A Level History skills.



Qualification: A Level **Coursework:** 20% **Examination:** 80%

Examination Board: Edexcel