



Course Overview:

A level History enables you to study a diverse range of historical eras and themes. You study a depth study (a very detailed exploration of one area of history) and a breadth study (looking at an idea or theme over a longer period of time). Additionally, you complete a project on a topic of your choice, giving you the chance to independently explore historical sources through an enquiry.

Topics covered

A level History lasts two years, with exams at the end of the second year. The table below shows what you will learn each year.

TEACHERS SAY...

History is a subject that brings to life the experiences of those who have lived before. It is challenging and absorbing and allows you to develop a much greater understanding of how human society has come to be as it is today. From how people lived to the reasons behind major conflicts, every area is different.

YOUR NOTES

First year of A level	Second year of A level
<p>Component 1 (breadth study): The British Empire 1857-1967 How did the British Empire grow and then contract? How did this impact on the lives and attitudes of the British and of those colonised?</p>	<p>You continue the British Empire unit, working on the time period from 1914—1967.</p>
<p>Component 2 (depth study): Revolution and Dictatorship, Russia 1917-1953 How have revolution and significant leaders affected Russia and the world? Social and political exploration of Russia.</p>	<p>You continue the Revolution and Dictatorship unit, working on the time period 1929—1953</p>
	<p>At A Level you choose a topic of your choice (with some restrictions) and complete an independent project.</p>

A level History

Examination Board:



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Entry requirements:

Five 9 to 4 (A* to C) with a minimum 6 (B) in History

Type of Assessment:

There are two exams at the end of the two years for A level, both of which are 2 hours 30 minutes long. You also complete an independent project in an area of your choice (with some restrictions), which is not examined but takes the form of a 3000 word essay.

This course goes well with:

Lots of subjects! English is a good partner, too.

Possible degree options

According to bestcourse4me.com, some of the degree courses taken by students who have an A level in History are:

- History
- English
- Law
- Psychology
- Politics
- Business Studies

What can I do now to help me prepare for my course?

Studying History A Level requires a range of different skills that you can develop and practise. It is important that you are willing to read in order to find out lots of information from a range of places. You also need to have strong written communication skills as assessment in history often takes the form of longer answers and essays. In order to be an effective historian you also need to be able to explore all kinds of sources and critically analyse and evaluate them.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/higher/history/russia/>

A great site for exploring the Russia unit

<https://studywise.co.uk/a-level-revision/history/>

A good website for revision for A level

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

A good website for revision for A level

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/student-support/for-students/revision/revision-resources>

The exam board AQA has provided this website for advice on how to revise successfully for A level history

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/higher/history/migrationempire/>

A great site for exploring the British Empire Unit

<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/history/as-and-a-level/history-7041-7042>

The link for the AQA specification

<http://app.gojimo.co/qualifications>

You can search for GCSE or A Level revision materials for different exam boards and subjects

Literacy, when you...

..read around the subject, and use several sources of information to answer questions.

Numeracy, when you...

..use sources of data to gain information about the past, and when using chronological skills.

ICT, when you....

...research and present materials, as well as using online archives to discover historical sources.

Possible Career Options:

Studying a history related degree at university gives you all sorts of exciting career options, including:

Museum curator

Archivist

Education officer

Teacher or Lecturer

Lawyer

Business

TV researcher

Archaeologist

Journalist