

History

Examination Board: AQA
Examination Code: 8145

Outline of the Course

You will learn about:

- The development of modern America: Boom to Civil Rights
- Korea and Vietnam
- The development of modern medicine
- Medieval Britain and Castles

What will you learn?

America, 1920–1973: Opportunity and inequality:

This period study focuses on the development of the USA during a turbulent half century of change. It was a period of opportunity and inequality – when some Americans lived the 'American Dream' whilst others grappled with the nightmare of poverty, discrimination and prejudice.

Conflict and tension in Asia 1950 - 1975: Korea and Vietnam:

This wider world depth study investigates a time of international conflict. Studying the how and why the conflicts happened and why it was so difficult to resolve the tensions that arose. We will also focus on the role of individuals and groups in shaping change as well as how they were affected and influenced by international relations.

Britain: Health and the people: c1000 to the present day:

This thematic study will enable students to gain an understanding of how medicine and public health developed in Britain over a long period of time. We consider the causes, scale, nature and consequences of short and long term developments, their impact on British society and how they were related to the key features and characteristics of the periods during which they took place.

Medieval England – Norman England, 1066 - 1100:

This option allows students to study in depth Medieval England. The detailed study will focus on the major events of the period from economic, religious, political, social and cultural standpoints, as well as attendant contemporary and historical controversies.



How will I be assessed?

Lessons will be a mixture of discussion, written work and group work. You will develop your knowledge and understanding and explanations as well as source evaluation skills. You will be able to relate many of the current events in the world to what we have studied. Assessment is by examination only.

Mark Breakdown

Paper 1: 1 hour 45 minutes – 50%
Paper 2: 1 hour 45 minutes – 50%

Website links

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

Key Dates

Exam: Summer Year 11

Further Information

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What can I do after I have completed the course?

History is accepted for entry to Sixth Form and at A Level to higher education. It is highly regarded for its academic rigour and challenge. It provides you with the skills for discussion and evaluation of your own thinking. Students have gone on to study Law, Engineering, Teaching and Medicine as well as more traditional courses such as history, education and management.