



Armfield Academy – Department of History – Key Stage 3

Year 7 Curriculum Overview



Half Term 1			
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – What was the impact of the Vikings? / How did England get a new king in 1066?		
	Learning Questions		
Week 1 (2 days)	Baseline	What is history?	What is history?
Week 2		Who were the Vikings?	How did the Vikings threaten Britain?
Week 3		What impact did the Vikings have on Britain?	What can archaeology reveal about the Vikings?
Week 4		Application time: Vikings	Feedback
Week 5		How did the Viking threat to England end?	Who had the strongest army at Hastings?
Week 6		What happened at the Battle of Hastings?	Why did William win the Battle of Hastings?
Week 7		Review of Enquiry	Application Time: 1066
			Feedback
Half Term 2			
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – How did the Normans control England? / What challenges did Medieval kings face?		
	Learning Questions		
Week 1		How did the Normans use Castles to gain control?	How did the Normans keep control of England?
Week 2		How significant was religion in England?	How did the Normans change the Church?
Week 3		How did rebellions challenge William's power?	Application time: Norman England
Week 4	Feedback	What was life like in Medieval England?	Why was the Church a problem for Henry II?
Week 5		Was King John the 'worst of English kings'?	Why were the Barons a problem for John?
Week 6		Why were the peasants a problem for Richard II?	Reteach Opportunities
Week 7		Reteach Opportunities	Reteach Opportunities
Half Term 3			
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – Could a women rule in Medieval England? / What was the impact of the Black Death? / How did the Renaissance change Europe?		
	Learning Questions		
Week 1		Application Time: Medieval Kings	Feedback
Week 2		Who was the Lady of the English?	What was it like to be a women in Medieval England?
Week 3		How did Isabella of France challenge Edward II?	How powerful was Eleanor of Aquitaine?
Week 4		What did people think had caused the Black Death?	Application time: Medieval Women
Week 5		What were the consequences of the Black Death?	Who treated the sick in Medieval England?
Week 6		What was the Renaissance?	Application time: The Black Death
			Feedback
			What was the impact of the Renaissance?
Half Term 4			
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – How did the Renaissance change Europe? / How did religion change in the Tudor Period?		
	Learning Questions		
Week 1		How did Medicine progress in the Renaissance?	Why was there a Reformation in Europe?
Week 2		What was the impact of the Reformation?	Application time: Renaissance
Week 3	Feedback	What was Henry VIII's problem by 1534?	Why did Henry VIII break from Rome?
Week 4		Why did Henry VIII close the monasteries?	Why did Henry have SIX wives?
Week 5		Reteach Opportunities	Reteach Opportunities
Half Term 5			
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – How did religion change in the Tudor period? / How did England start to build an Empire? / What does witchcraft reveal about life in the 1600s?		
	Learning Questions		
Week 1		How did Edward VI change England?	'Why was Mary I called 'Bloody Mary'?
Week 2		What was Elizabeth's 'Middle Way'?	Application time: Tudor Religion
Week 3		England and Spain: Why were they rivals?	Feedback
Week 4		Who were Elizabeth's 'Sea Dogs'?	Why did exploration increase in the 1500s?
Week 5		Why did Britain's early colonies fail?	Why is John Hawkins significant?
Week 6		Application time: Elizabethan Empire	How did England's early empire develop?
Week 7		Why did witchcraft accusations increase in the 1600s?	Was James I a good choice for King of England?
			Feedback
			What made someone a 'witch'?
Half Term 6			
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – What does witchcraft reveal about life in the 1600s? / Why was England at war with itself?		
	Learning Questions		
Week 1		What made a 'witch' guilty?	Why did the witch trials happen in Pendle? (1)
Week 2		Why did witch trials happen in Pendle? (2)	Reteach Opportunities
Week 3		Reteach Opportunities	End of Year Assessment
Week 4		End of Year Assessment	Feedback
Week 5		What caused the English Civil War?	Why blow up Parliament?
Week 6		What happened to Charles I?	Was Charles I guilty of his crimes?
Week 7		What was the Restoration?	Was Oliver Cromwell a good replacement for a king?
			What was the Glorious Revolution?