



Armfield Academy – Department of History – Key Stage 3

Year 8 Curriculum Overview



Half Term 1				
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – What was the impact of Trans-Atlantic Slavery? / Did African Americans achieve equality by 1965?			
	Learning Questions			
Week 1 (2 days)	How has slavery changed over time?		What was the Trans-Atlantic slave trade? (1)	
Week 2	What was the Trans-Atlantic slave trade? (2)		Were all slave experiences the same?	
Week 3	How could enslaved people rebel?		Why and how was slavery abolished? (1)	
Week 4	Why and how was slavery abolished? (2)		Application Time: Slavery	Feedback
Week 5	What caused the American civil war?		What was 'Jim Crow'?	
Week 6	How were African-Americans treated in the 1920s?		How did MLK and Malcolm X fight for Civil Rights?	
Week 7	How did ordinary people fight for Civil Rights?		How did African Americans achieve legal equality?	
Half Term 2				
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – How did the British change India? / How did the Industrial Revolution change Britain?			
	Learning Questions			
Week 1	Reteach Opportunities		Application Time: Civil Rights	
Week 2	Feedback	What is an empire and why did Britain build one?	What was India like before the British?	
Week 3	What was the impact of the EIC on India?		What was the impact of the Indian Mutiny?	
Week 4	What was the impact of the British Raj?		Application time: India	Feedback
Week 5	What was the Industrial Revolution?		Why did the Industrial Revolution happen in Britain? (Slavery and Empire link)	
Week 6	How were workers affected by the Industrial Revolution?		What were conditions like in Industrial towns and cities?	
Week 7	How did the Industrial Revolution lead to the birth of Blackpool?		Why was Cholera Britain's hidden killer?	
Half Term 3				
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – How did democracy develop in the 1800s?			
	Learning Questions			
Week 1	How did Pasteur and Koch prove germs cause disease?		Did Public Health improve in Industrial Britain?	
Week 2	Application Time: Industrial Revolution		Feedback	Reteach Opportunities
Week 3	What problems did democracy face?		What was the impact of the Peterloo Massacre?	
Week 4	How did protests threaten the government in the 1800s?		How significant was the Great Reform Act?	
Week 5	How successful were the Chartists?		Why is the Matchgirls' Strike significant?	
Week 6	Application Time: Democracy		Feedback	Reteach Opportunities
Half Term 4				
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – What do the murders of Jack the Ripper tell us about Industrial Britain? / How did the Suffragettes create a democracy in Britain?			
	Learning Questions			
Week 1	What were conditions like in Whitechapel in 1888?		Who were the victims of Jack the Ripper? (1)	
Week 2	Who were the victims of Jack the Ripper? (2)		Why was it so difficult to catch Jack the Ripper?	
Week 3	What do the murders reveal about life in Industrial Britain? (women)		What do the murders reveal about life in Industrial Britain? (suspects)	
Week 4	Reteach Opportunities		Application time: Jack the Ripper	Feedback
Week 5	What was the position of women in 1900?		Who were the Suffragettes and the Suffragists?	
Half Term 5				
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – How did the Suffragettes create a democracy in Britain? / What caused the First World War?			
	Learning Questions			
Week 1	Were the Suffragettes terrorists?		Was Emily Davison a suffragette martyr?	
Week 2	Who opposed female suffrage in Britain?		How did the First World War support female suffrage?	
Week 3	What can sources reveal about the Suffragettes?		What was the Representation of the People's Act?	
Week 4	Why does the story of female suffrage still matter today?		Application time: Suffragette	
Week 5	Feedback	Reteach Opportunities		What were the MANE causes of the FWW?
Week 6	What were the MANE causes of the FWW? (2)		Did a single bullet trigger the First World War?	
Week 7	What was Germany's role in the outbreak of the FWW?		What do sources reveal about the outbreak of the FWW?	
Half Term 6				
Date	Enquiry Question(s) – Did Britain fight a 'total war' during the First World War?			
	Learning Questions			
Week 1	Application time: Causes of the First World War		Feedback	Was Britain prepared for war in 1914?
Week 2	How did stalemate develop on the Western Front?		How did the British Empire contribute to the FWW?	
Week 3	How did the Home Front contribute to the FWW?		Why was 1916 a turning point during the FWW?	
Week 4	What was the impact of the Battle of the Somme?		Review of Enquiry	
Week 5	End of Year Assessment		End of Year Assessment	
Week 6	Feedback		Reteach Opportunities	
Week 7	Reteach Opportunities		End of Year Quiz	