

Curriculum Overview: History

Year group: 9

What your child will learn each half term

This overview shows the key topics, skills, and knowledge your child will be learning in **History** in **Year 9**. It helps families understand what's being taught, how it builds on previous learning, and how you can support your child at home.

- What we are learning: The topic or focus for the half term.
- Key knowledge & skills: What students should understand and be able to do.
- How we assess learning: knowledge checks, practical tasks, written responses and formal assessments.
- **Key words to know**: Vocabulary students will learn and use.

Half term	What we are learning	Key knowledge and key skills	How we will assess learning in this unit	Homework	Key vocabulary for this unit
HT 1	How useful are sources	Causes of WWI	A range of short written tasks	Homework	Alliances
	for explaining why the	Trench warfare	describing and explaining.	booklet 1	Assassination
Topic 1	1914-1918 war was	Battle environment, e.g., Somme and Passchendaele		and the	Empire
	called the Great War?	Weapons	Source work tasks.	activities.	Front line
		Medical changes			Gas
		Source analysis	Defining key words and phrases.		Rifle
		Role of Empire			Tank
		Gallipoli	Extended write up of source		Trench
		US and end of the war	tasks.		Usefulness
					Western Front
		Key skills			
		Descriptive writing			
		Explanation writing			
		Causation – Short and long term			
		Source skills, e.g., infer and gathering evidence.			
		Significance			
HT 2	Why was Germany at war	Treaty of Versailles	A range of short written tasks	Homework	Appeasement
	again in 1939?	Wall St Crash	describing and explaining.	booklet 2	Depression
Topic 2		Rise of Hitler		and the	Democracy
		Actions of Hitler	Defining key words and phrases.	activities.	Dictatorship
		Appeasement			Guilt
		Nazi-Soviet Pact	Extended write up of causation.		Invasion
		Invasion of Poland			League
					Pact
		Key skills			Reparations
		Descriptive writing			Treaty
		Explanation writing			
		Causation – Short and long term – and			
		consequences.			
		Significance			

HT2/3	What have historians	Battle of Britain	A range of short written tasks	Homework	Atomic
T O	found out about why the	Leningrad	describing and explaining.	booklet 3	Battle
Topic 3	Allies defeated Nazi	Pearl Harbor	Interpretation work and tooks	and the	Commonwealth
	Germany?	Empire soldiers Women /Resistance	Interpretation work and tasks.	activities.	Defeat Justified
		Bombing of German cities	Defining key words and phrases		Resistance
		D-Day	Defining key words and phrases.		
		Hiroshima	Extended write up of question.		Siege Significant
		HiloShiitia	Extended write up of question.		Spitfire
		Key skills			Turning point
		Descriptive writing			Turring point
		Explanation writing			
		Causation and consequence			
		Interpretations			
		Significance			
HT3/4	Why and how were	Pre-war Jewish life Presecution, 1933-1938	A range of short written tasks	Homework	Antisemitism
	Jewish people impacted	Kristallnacht, 1938	describing and explaining.	booklet 4	Bystanders
Topic 4	by the Holocaust?	Jewish Ghettos		and the	Collaborators
'		The Final Solution	Source work tasks.	activities.	Final Solution
		Bergen-Belsen			Ghetto
		Resistance	Defining key words and phrases.		Holocaust
		After war (survival)			Persecution
					Refugees
		Key skills			Resistance
		Descriptive writing			Synagogue
		Explanation writing			
		Source skills, e.g., infer and gathering evidence.			
		Significance			
		Continuity and change			
HT4/5	Why are sources useful	Cold War ideologies	A range of short written tasks	Homework	Arms race
П14/5	for historians learning	Potsdam Conference	describing and explaining.	booklet 5	Buffer zone
Topic 5	about the Cold War?	Iron Curtain	describing and explaining.	and the	Capitalism
Topic 5	about the Cold Wal:	Truman Doctrine	Source work tasks.	activities.	Communism
		Berlin Blockade and airlift	Godfee Work tasks.	activities.	Conference
		The Arms race	Defining key words and phrases.		Doctrine
		Berlin Wall	2 of ming key words and prindses.		Rivals
		Cuban Missile Crisis	Key knowledge test		Soviet
		The Space Race			Space race
		Fall of the Berlin Wall			Superpower
		Key skills			

HT 6	How has immigration	Descriptive writing Explanation writing Source skills, e.g., infer and gathering evidence. Significance Roman	A range of short written tasks	Homework	Asylum
пго	shaped Britain?	Anglo-Saxon/Viking	describing and explaining.	booklet 6	Ayah
Topic 6		Black Tudors Irish Indian Chinese Polish allies Jewish Windrush EU	Defining key words and phrases.	and the activities.	Colony Diversity Immigrant Lascar Merchant Migration Navvy Refugee
		Key skills Descriptive writing Explanation writing Causation and consequence Similarities and differences Significance			