

Our Lady Queen of Peace

Catholic Engineering College

Curriculum Overview

YEAR 9 History

	Knowledge & Understanding			Subject Specific Literacy Development		Cultural Capital / Enrichment Opportunities
	Topics (Bigger Picture)	Knowledge (Key Concepts)	Recall & Retrieval Practice Focus	Read Like A... Focus	Key Vocabulary	
Half Term 1	1920s America	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic prosperity • Cultural Developments • Life of Women • Immigration • Treatment of Black Americans • KKK • Al Capone • Prohibition 	Current Topic Vocabulary Prior Topic Misconceptions	Treatment of Black Americans Prohibition	Boom Years Flapper Laissez-faire Republican Communism Discrimination Immigration Intolerance Red Scare Bootlegging Repeal Prohibition Speakeasies	- Develops understanding of capitalism, consumerism, and mass culture origins. - Links to racial history - Explains modern American identity and global influence.
Half Term 2	Second World War	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homefront • Evacuation • Role of women • Dunkirk • Blitz • Pearl Harbour • D-Day • Dresden • Hiroshima • Nagasaki 	Current Topic Vocabulary Prior Topic Misconceptions	Role of Women	Evacuation Home Front Home Guard Rationing Blitzkrieg Morale War Criminal	- Provides context for modern international relations and conflict. - Builds empathy and understanding of global cooperation - Recognises sacrifice and resilience of previous generations.

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Half Term 3	The Holocaust	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> History of Anti-Semitism Nazi Antis-Semitism Ghettos Final Solution Resistance Liberation Creation of Isreal Remembrance 	Current Topic Vocabulary Prior Topic Misconceptions	Ghettos Remembrance	Anti-Semitism Auschwitz Final Solution Genocide Ghettos Liberation Mein Kampf Persecution	- Central to understanding human rights, antisemitism, and moral responsibility. - Supports values of tolerance, justice, and remembrance
Half Term 4	Significant Figures of the modern world	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joseph Stalin Adolf Hitler Benito Mussolini Franklin D Roosevelt 	Current Topic Vocabulary Prior Topic Misconceptions	The Munich Putsch	Censorship Communism Dictator Fascism Gestapo Gulag NKVD Purge	-Explores dictatorships, power, and nationalism. - Builds historical literacy on European politics and ideologies. - Informs discussions on leadership, civil liberties, and revolution.
Half Term 5	Terrorism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Terrorism Organisations Reasons for Terrorism Acts of Terrorism Changes in Terrorism Counter-terrorism 	Current Topic Vocabulary Prior Topic Misconceptions	The creation of the IRA	Extremism Propaganda Radicalisation Terrorist Terrorism	-Encourages critical engagement with media, fear, and policy. - Helps students understand causes, motivations, and consequences of radicalism. - Promotes informed citizenship in a globalised world.

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Half Term 6	Cold War	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Causes of Cold War • Korean War • Cuban Missile Crisis • Vietnam War • Space Race • Espionage • Berlin Wall • End of Cold War 	<p>Current Topic</p> <p>Vocabulary</p> <p>Prior Topic</p> <p>Misconceptions</p>	Berlin Wall	<p>Capitalism</p> <p>Communism</p> <p>Domino Theory</p> <p>Espionage</p> <p>Defect</p> <p>Napalm</p> <p>Proxy War</p> <p>Vietcong</p>	<p>-Gives insight into modern geopolitics, conflict, and diplomacy.</p> <p>- Explains tensions behind current world events</p> <p>- Encourages analysis of ideology, propaganda, and political systems.</p>

Key Assessments

When	What will be assessed?	Why is this being assessed?
Half Term 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roaring 20s Key Piece – Source Analysis. • Knowledge Check – Understanding of content taught. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To practice Source Analysis and applying own knowledge to back up ideas. • To check knowledge and understanding of the unit.
Half Term 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home Front Key Piece - Extended writing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To practice extended writing under timed conditions.
Half Term 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mid-Year Exam – Key Knowledge, Extended writing, Interpretation Analysis. • Holocaust Liberation Key Piece – Interpretation Analysis. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To check knowledge and understanding of skills in history and if they are being applied correctly. • To practice interpretation analysis and applying own knowledge to back up ideas.
Half Term 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dictators Key Piece – Extended writing. • Knowledge Check – Understanding of content taught. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To practice extended writing under timed conditions. • To assess understanding of content taught.
Half Term 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counter-terrorism Key Piece – Extended writing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To practice extended writing under timed conditions.
Half Term 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of Year Exam - Key Knowledge, Extended writing, Interpretation Analysis. • Knowledge Check – Understanding of content taught. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To test knowledge and understanding of content covered so far. • To assess understanding of content taught.