



HISTORY GCSE

Long term aims

- Develop and extend knowledge and understanding of specified key events, periods and societies in local (Stonehenge), British (Peoples Health and Elizabeth) and wider world (USA and First Crusade), and of the wide diversity of human experience
- Engage in historical enquiry to develop as independent thinkers
- Develop ability to ask relevant questions, investigate critically, and develop ideas by using a range of sources and historical context
- Organise and communicate K&U in different ways and reach substantiated conclusions

Medium Term Planning

The GCSE specification is divided into the 5 units of assessments, each unit covers 3 or 4 of the AO's. Second order concepts are important in the GCSE so are used for assessment throughout KS3 and KS4. For example SO concept 'Significance' is measured in assessment in Year 8, at the end of the Black Peoples Unit; SO concept 'Cause and consequence' is assessed at the start of Year 9 when looking at the causes of WW1.

Assessment Objectives (AO's)

AO1 - K&U of key features and characteristics of periods studied

AO2 - Explain and analyse historical events using second order concepts

AO3 - Analyse, evaluate and use sources to make judgement in context

AO4 - Analyse, evaluate and make substantiated judgements about interpretations in the context of historical events studied

Second Order Concepts (SO's)

- continuity and change
- significance
- chronology
- similarities and differences
- cause and consequence
- context

January Year 9	May Year 9	Sept Year 10	Spring Year 10	Sept Year 11
The Peoples Health 1250-to date AO1,2 and 4 Medieval inc. Black Death Early Modern inc. Plague Industrial inc. Cholera C20th inc. Spanish Flu and AIDS See SOW to show links with AO's and SO's	Making of the USA (1789-1900) AO1,2,3 and 4 America's expansion 1789-1838 The West 1839-1860 Civil War and Reconstruction 1861-1877 Settlement and conflict 1861-1877 American Cultures 1877-1900 See SOW to show links with AO's and SO's	Elizabeth I (1580-1603) AO1,2 and 4 Elizabeth and Govt The Catholics Daily Life Popular Culture The wider World See SOW to show links with AO's and SO's	Stonehenge (inc site visit) AO 1,2 and 3 History of the Henge Changes over time Importance of site Typicality of site Site Visit See SOW to show links with AO's and SO's	The First Crusade (1089-1100) AO 1,2,3 and 4 Origins 1070-1095 Responses Nov 1095-1096 Into Asia Minor 1096-1097 Antioch 1097-1098 Jerusalem 1098-1100 See SOW to show links with AO's and SO's Upon completion Exam Prep (Feb Yr11)