

AQA AS & A Level History

Course Overview

History is the fascinating study of past events, cultures and societies. Studying History helps us understand the present and explain why events in the past happened as they did. It will also develop important analytical skills, encouraging you to have an enquiring mind and makes you think critically about the world around you. It also teaches you to construct coherent arguments and express yourself clearly, both verbally and in writing. Studying A level History is highly regarded by many leading universities as the skills needed to succeed are highly desirable in the study of many different subjects and can lead to future careers in many diverse fields including teaching, law and business management and banking.

Course Content

Year 12

Exams:

- Democracy and Nazism: Germany, 1918–1933
- The Tudors: England, 1485–1547

Coursework Preparation

- Russia 1801-1953 – Content, study and research skills

Year 13

Exams:

- Democracy and Nazism: Germany, 1918–1945
- The Tudors 1485-1603

Coursework: Historical Enquiry

- Tsarist and Communist Russia 1801-1953

Assessment

AS:

- Paper 1 -The Tudors: England, 1485–1547 50% of AS
- Paper 2 - Democracy and Nazism: Germany, 1918–1933 50% of AS

A2:

- The Tudors 1485-1603 40% of A2
- Democracy and Nazism: Germany, 1918–1945 40% of A2
- Coursework - your own study on Russia 20% of A2

Entry Requirements

Standard Level 3 entry requirements – at least 5 GCSEs (9-5) including English Language & Maths. History GCSE at grade (6).

Progression

History teaches important skills such as clear expression and analysing evidence. These skills are useful in helping you progress into a wide range of careers, such as the Police, law, teaching, politics, Social Work, publishing, journalism, banking and all kinds of business and management based careers. Many of our students move on to Higher Education and study History at an advanced level.

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