Guilsborough Academy Sixth Form
KS5 Curriculum



A Level
History

Course Title:
A Level History

Entry Requirements:
Grade 6 in GCSE History if studied.
If not studied at GCSE, Grade 6 in GCSE English

Examination Board
AQA

Assessment:

Year 12

Unit 1 Tudors 1485-1603

Unit 2 Germany 1918-34

Year 13

Unit 1 Tudors 1563-1603

Unit 2 Germany 1934-45

Is this course right for me?

This course is designed to develop an interest in how key events in the past have shaped the world we live in today. Critical to the success in this subject is a passion to investigate the past and form your own conclusion. The exploration of controversial aspects of our past not only allows enjoyment but also develop an academic style which can be applied to any career in the future.

A LEVEL HISTORY

Unit Contents:

Unit 1

Y12: Focus on the creation and consolidation of the Tudor dynasty from 1485-1603

- Battle of Bosworth
- Henry VII's reign (character, government, finance, foreign policy, culture, rebellions)
- Henry VIII's reign (character, government, finance, foreign policy, culture, rebellions)

Y13: Focus on turmoil and triumph in England under the Tudors 1547-1603

- Edward VI (character, government, finance foreign policy, culture, rebellions)
- Mary I (character, government, finance foreign policy, culture, rebellions)
- Elizabeth I (character, government, finance foreign policy, culture, rebellions)

Unit 2

Y12: Focus on Germany from 1918-34

- Germany after WW1
- Weimar republic
- Rise of the Nazis
- Death of Democracy

Y13: This unit exclusively looks at what Germany was like under the Nazi dictatorship

- Life in Germany for Youth/Women
- Terror and violence
- Holocaust
- Impact of WW2





Progression:

History A Level not only provides invaluable knowledge about the world but transferable skills which are highly sought after. The ability to synthesis information and construct cases for and against issues builds into many career paths. Communication of opinion, both written and oral, is something all employers seek as they want individuals who can 'think' and not just 'do'. Therefore an A Level in this subjects leads to careers such as Law, Journalism, Civil Service, Police...or any other career that needs independent thinking!

Examples of university courses and grades required:

- **Oxford University** History =AAA
- **Kings College London** History and International Relations = AAA
- **Exeter University Law** = AAA/AAB
- **Southampton University** Philosophy and History = ABB
- **Brighton University** History and Literature = BBC

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