

Future Prospects

History is recognised by employers as a valuable GCSE. As a GCSE History student, you will have learnt many highly valued skills that employers are looking for. You can go on to do A Level History and go on to doing a degree at University. Careers you can go on to do are;
Journalist, Teacher, Writer, Business (management), Politics, work with Law, Solicitor, Advertising, Researcher, Historical Preservation and many more.



GCSE History

2020 - 2022

Please see your History teacher for more information

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How will this course help me?

Studying History will help you to develop the following skills:

- Making reasoned decisions and formulating arguments
- Improving literacy skills
- Researching and processing a range of information
- An understanding and appreciation of what it was like to live during some of the most dramatic times in our history
- An understanding of why the world today is like it is
- The ability to talk more confidently about serious issues

There are many more skills that you acquire over the two year course, all of which are valued by colleges and employers alike. Of course, while doing this, you will be looking at some of the most interesting people and events that have impacted both the world and Britain.

Our course follows the AQA specification and covers a wide range of topics as we study four units of history across three eras, three time-scales and three geographical contexts.

History is one of the subjects in the English Baccalaureate. This makes it a sought-after and well respected subject at the top universities.

“I chose History as I really enjoyed it in years 7, 8 and 9. I find the subject really interesting at GCSE, and you learn something new every lesson. History also helps with my English writing skills”

How will I be assessed?

Students will sit two exams at the end of the course, each of equal weighting:

Paper 1: Understanding the modern world (50%)

This paper is 1 hour and 45 minutes long and covers the following topics

- a. Germany 1890-1945: Democracy and Dictatorship
- b. Conflict and tension, 1918—1939

Paper 2: Shaping the nation (50%)

This paper is 1 hour and 45 minutes long and covers the following topics

- a. Britain: Health and the People, c. 1000 to present day
- b. Elizabethan England, c. 1568—1603

