

# History 9-1

## 2018-2020

Subject title	History
Exam board	Edexcel
Exam board specification number	1H10
Entry level	GCSE
Setting arrangements	N/A
Time allowance each fortnight	5 hours

### Assessment and coursework

#### **Types of Assessment**

External exams only

3 exams:

1. Crime and Punishment
2. Superpowers and Anglo-Normans
3. Weimar and Nazi Germany

#### **More detail on the 3 exams**

##### **Unit 1: Crime and Punishment in Britain c1000-present, and Whitechapel c1870-1900**

This unit is a huge roller coaster of British history which tracks the changing attitudes towards crime and its punishment. This takes a fascinating look at how we have moved on from Trial by Ordeal to the development of the Metropolitan Police Force. To give you a taste of the many case studies we will be looking at; they range from witchcraft to the Bloody Code, the Gunpowder plotters, and the treatment of conscientious objectors during WW1. We look at the case study of Derek Bentley who was hung in the 1950s for a crime that he didn't commit. We then focus on the location of Whitechapel to look at the social conditions in which the Jack the Ripper murders took place. This case study provides a fascinating analysis of policing methods during this time and offers reasons why Jack the Ripper got away.

##### **Unit 2: Anglo Saxon and Norman England**

In this unit travel back in time to Anglo Saxon England and discover how Edward the Confessor's lack of an heir changed the face of England. Relive the Battle of Hastings in 1066 and discover how William the Conqueror kept control of England. This is a murky look at the politics that led to revenge and revolts. We take a look at a changing society, especially the Feudal System and the role of the Church. Ending with William's death and the disputed succession we gain a whole new view of Medieval England and how our past was formed.

##### **Unit 3: Superpower relations and the Cold War 1941-91**

In this unit you will discover the origins of tensions in the East and West and discover the ideological differences after WW2 that led to the Cold War. You will meet new characters

such as Stalin, Churchill and Truman, Khrushchev, Castro, Kennedy, Gorbachev and Reagan. Find out about the impact of the Atom Bomb on relationships after WWII and how relationships deteriorated and also improved over time. We look at the significance of key historical events such as the Bay of Pigs and the building of the Berlin Wall. As the Superpowers fought to avoid WW3 we look at how close we came to war with events such as the Cuban Missile Crisis.

#### Skills developed during the course

- Ability to explain the causes and consequences of key historical events and how situations change over time
- The ability to put together strong and well evidenced arguments
- Critically evaluate sources and the ability to 'read between the lines'

#### Home study

#### **Expected time allocation for the subject**

2x45 minutes each week:

#### **Help for home study: Textbooks**

##### Crime and Punishment

- Crime and Punishment through time 1250-present
- ISBN: 9781292127361

##### Superpowers:

- Edexcel History: Superpower relations and the Cold war, 1941-91
- ISBN: 9781292127279

##### Anglo-Normans:

- Anglo-Saxon and Norman England, 1060-1088
- ISBN: 9781292127231

##### Weimar and Nazi Germany:

- Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-39
- ISBN: 9781292127347

#### **Additional support for the course**

The history department writes its own 'in house' revision guides. These include a detailed overview of all the content, exam technique, model answers and past papers. There is one of these available for each of the 4 different topic areas studied. This avoids parents having to purchase multiple copies of published resources which often contain many options that are not studied. These are tailored perfectly to the exact combination of units that we have chosen. They will be available to buy in the year 11 year of the course and obviously the charge is only to cover photocopying costs.

A twitter account is also run by the Malmesbury History department called 'GCSE History at Malmesbury School' where pupils will find additional resources and support.

**Other sources of help**

Students can seek out subject teachers at anytime to ask for support or help with topic areas. The history department also runs 2 separate series of revision sessions at lunchtimes, one to help prepare for the January mocks during November and December and a second phase just before Easter.