



GCSE history outline



How you are assessed

Paper 1: British History

- 40% of GCSE
- 1 hour 45 minutes written exam
- 80 marks
- 1-mark knowledge recall question, 9 & 10 analysis, 18 mark essay

Paper 2: History around us – site study

- 20% of GCSE
- 1 hour written exam
- 50 marks (including 10 marks for SPaG)
- Choice of three essay questions, must answer two.

Paper 3: World History

- 40% of GCSE
- 1 hour 45 minutes written exam
- 80 marks
- 1-mark knowledge recall, 9 & 10 analysis, 18-mark essay



What you will study

British History

Section A – Crime and Punishment, c.1250-Present

Medieval – c.1250-1500 | Early Modern – c.1500-1750
Industrial – c.1750-1900 | Modern – c.1900-Present

Section B – The Norman Conquest, c.1065-1087

Anglo-Saxon England | Was William, Duke of Normandy a lucky man?
Was William a Brutal ruler? | What was the purpose of Norman Castles?
How did life change for the English under William's rule?

History Around Us – Site Study

Exeter Cathedral – How has it changed over time?
How has the context of History changed the Cathedral and it's purpose?

World History

Section A – The Making of America, c.1789-1900

How did America expand? | Why did people migrate across America?
How impactful was the American Civil War? | Why was there so much violence
between White Americans and Native Americans? | How did life change?

Section B – Living under Nazi Rule, c.1933-1945

How did Hitler and the Nazis come to power? | How did Hitler control Germany?
How did the lives of German people change? | What was the impact of WWII on
Germany? | What was life like under Nazi occupation for Europe?

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