

GCSE History

Exam board: AQA

Course Description:

Year 9 will see students begin their GCSE course which starts one of the four main topics for the majority of the year. At the end of the three year course students will sit two exam papers assessing content looked at during the GCSE.

Course content:

Term 1 - Germany under the Kaiser and World War 1

Term 2 - Weimar Germany 1918-1929 and Rise of the Nazis.

Term 3 - Hitler's consolidation of power

Term 4 - Youth and Race in Nazi Germany

Term 5 - Propaganda and key events in Nazi German history

Term 6 - New Topic-Korea

Extra-Curricular Opportunities:

Range of learning opportunities via videos and websites linked to the history of Germany. This will then lead onto the inter wars years topics where first-hand accounts about Versailles can be evaluated.

Important information:

The GCSE course requires students to appreciate causes and consequences of turning points in Germany's history from life under the Kaiser to the Nazis. It is vital detailed work is done as the exam can focus on many aspects of this large time period.

Useful websites:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebitesize/history/>

<http://www.schoolhistory.co.uk/revision/>

Provision for the Most Able:

Built into each lesson is exam technique work which provides realistic opportunities for students to learn how to tackle a variety of exam questions. Added to this are extra opportunities for students to do extra exam technique work on top of the compulsory work set for home. There is also an examiner's Top Mark section and exempla materials which can be shared to scaffold how to access the top marks.

Assessment:

Students will be required to undertake GCSE questions throughout the year which will be marked to GCSE criteria. There will also be formal end of unit tests which require multiple questions to be completed under timed conditions.