



Year 8 Curriculum Grid from September 2021

History

Year/Term	Unit	Intent
Autumn 1	The English Civil War & Society	<p>To establish an understanding of how England went to war with itself over the power of the king and religion and how, after the reinstatement of the monarchy, England changed rapidly and where England's place was in the world by 1750.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charles I – who was he? • Oliver Cromwell – who was he? • Causes of the Civil War • Roundheads vs., Cavaliers • Key battles • Life during the Civil War • Women During the Civil War • Execution of Charles I • Moving from a monarchy to a 'republic'
Autumn 2	The English Civil War and Society (cont.,)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long/short parliament – a new dynasty? • Richard Cromwell • Reinstatement of Charles II • 1665 Plague • Samuel Pepys • Great Fire of London • Effects of the Great Fire of London – why did the plague not return? • Social issues: Gin Drinking • England on the world stage by 1750 <p><u>Homework: History Project – Life in the English Civil War</u></p> <p>Key Historical Concepts: Historical Enquiry, Interpretation, Cause & Consequence, Significance, Chronology, Similarities & Differences, Cultural & Religious Diversity, Communicating about the Past</p>
Spring 1	Empire Building from 1750 (inc., the Slave Trade)	<p>To establish how empire became part of how Britain functioned, its impact on the economy and how the effects of empire, whilst making Britain prosperous, had devastating effects on the rest of the world.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • British Identity: How multicultural was Britain in 1750? • The power of the East India Company • Britain's empirical competition • Imperialism – is it ever right? • Development of Britain as a slave trading nation • Industrial Britain – an empire at home • Industrial Britain and Slave Trade – how they linked together • How successful was the abolitionist movement? (1807 vs., 1832)
Spring 2	Empire Building from 1750 to 1900 (cont.,)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life in Industrial Britain • Men's fight for suffrage • Women in Britain



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effects of the ending of slavery in the USA • The Jewel in the Crown: The Empress of India (1877) • Imperialism in the 19th century post-Slavery • Rights of Black British people in the 19th century • Boer War • What right did the European powers have to carve up Africa? • How powerful was the British Empire by the end of the 19th century? <p>Key Historical Concepts: Historical Enquiry, Interpretation/Using Evidence, Cause & Consequence, Significance, Chronology, Similarities & Differences, Communicating about the Past</p>
Summer	Impact of Empire in the 20 th Century	<p>To establish how the effects of empire were being felt in the twentieth century, and how society was changing in Britain and across the world. To understand how the world went to war in 1918 because of empire building by European powers, but also the last effects of the war on British society.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What did British society look like in 1900? • Whose Empire...? (European powers carving up the world) • Daily Life and impact from Empire • Women's Rights from 1900 & Suffrage Campaign • Liberal Social Welfare Reforms 1906 <p><u>Homework: History Project – The Great War (local history)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Causes of WWI (long term and short term) • WWI: Recruitment from home • WWI: Recruitment from the Empire • Life in the trenches – British soldiers and those from the Empire • Women's role during WWI – across the Empire • The Home Front • Battle of the Somme • General Haig – “<i>Lions led by Donkeys</i>”? • Treaty of Versailles – what <i>should</i> have happened? • League of Nations • Immigration from the Empire across the 20th century • 1924 British Empire Exhibition • Indian Independence • Reasons for the decline of the Empire & African Independence • The Commonwealth: a positive of Empire? • The Windrush • Black Britain in the 20th Century (inc., BLM) <p><u>Homework: History Project – African American Civil Rights in the USA</u></p>



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