

# HISTORY

## A LEVEL

Course Coordinator: Mr Smith

Awarding Body: AQA

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### The Course

A Level History is a challenging but immensely rewarding course to study. It is highly regarded by universities and employers alike who recognise that History students possess highly developed skills of analysis, communication and problem solving. Studying History at Advanced Level requires hard work, dedication and self motivation to achieve success, but students are rewarded with an unparalleled insight in to the world we live in today through the study of how our ancestors thought and acted.

### Course Content

#### Component 1: Breadth Study - Tudor England 1485-1603

##### AS Study - Henry VII and Henry VIII

Students study the establishment and development of Tudor England through the analysis of government, trade, foreign relations and religion.

##### A2 Study - The mid Tudor crisis and Elizabethan glory

Students study the problems within and changes to England during the reigns of Edward VI and Mary Tudor. Students then analyse the development of Elizabethan England.

The study of significant historical developments over a period of around 100 years and associated interpretations.

#### Component 2: Depth Study - Revolution and Dictatorship: Russia 1917-1953

**AS Study - Dissent and revolution 1917, The consolidation of Bolshevik power in Russia 1918-1924, the post Lenin power vacuum and Stalin's rise to power.**

**A2 Study - Stalin's rule, 1929-1953, the economy and society of Russia 1929-1941. Stalinism, politics and control, 1929-1943. The Great Patriotic War and Stalin's dictatorship, 1941-1953.**

The study in depth of a period of major historical change or development and associated primary evidence.

#### Component 3: Historical Investigation

Students will study the development of the Civil Rights Movement in USA from 1865-1968.

A personal study. This should take the form of a question in the context of approximately 100 years.

### Exams (2 x 2.5 Hours Exams)

Paper 1—Written exam 80 marks (40%)

Paper 2—Written exam 80 marks (40%)

Assessed Personal Study 3500—4500 words (20%)

### Possible Destinations

- Degree in History, Law, Politics, Teaching, Economics and similar Humanities subjects
- Careers in Law, Journalism, Teaching, Government,

