

GCSE History

Overview

Pupils will gain an understanding of the diverse society that we live in, and the history that has shaped our world, exploring social, political, and religious events.

What will I study?

There are four units studied over the 2 year course, covering issues and topics from a Welsh, European, and international perspective. Specific focus is given to the Elizabethan era, and the USA 1910-1929, while 'crime and punishment' is examined from a broader historical perspective.

Assessment

The course is assessed through three written examinations, and a non-examined controlled assessment, spread across the two years.

Units	Content	Weight
Unit 1 - The Elizabethan Age 1558-1603	<ul style="list-style-type: none">1 hour written examination.Questions focus on analysis, evaluation, and interpretation of historical sources, as well as second order historical concepts.	25%
Unit 2 - The USA 1910-1929	<ul style="list-style-type: none">1 hour written examination.Questions focus on second order historical concepts, as well as analysis, evaluation, and interpretation of historical sources.	25%
Unit 3 - Crime and Punishment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">1 hour 15 min written examination.Questions focus on second order historical concepts, including continuity, change, cause, consequence, significance, similarity, and difference.	30%
Unit 4 - Working as an historian: 19th C. London & Jack the Ripper	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Non-examined assessment.Source evaluation within creation of historical narrative.Formation of different historical interpretations of history.	20%

