



## Key Stage 3 Curriculum: History

### Years 7 and 8:

In each year, students study four topics, each with a specific focus:

- Depth Study (in-depth study of various aspects of a relatively short period of time).
- Source Study (focuses particularly on source analysis skills) .
- Historical Concepts Study (focuses on one of a variety of historical concepts such as, cause and consequence or change and continuity).
- Enquiry/Research Project (focuses on research and enquiry skills).

This will familiarise students with the language and structure of GCSE and will allow them to develop and improve their skills throughout the Key Stage.

### Assessment:

The format of assessments are standardised across the Key Stage to ensure a broad range of teaching and learning styles that allow students to practise and develop their skills across the Key Stage, while preparing them for GCSE:

- Source analysis skills task.
- Structured (essay) writing that requires justified judgement.
- Research project.
- Empathy task.
- Drafting task.
- Formal exam.

Standardising assessments allows students to develop their skills throughout the Key Stage in preparation for KS4 while developing more varied activities

### Year 7: 1066- 1745.

Topic	Focus	Assessment
What is History?	Historical skills Basic sources Chronology/timelines Bias/reliability	Baseline assessment  Time capsules for Year 11
The Norman Conquest	<b>Depth Study</b>	Extended writing /source analysis
Castles	<b>Enquiry</b> – changing use of Carlisle Castle – Romans to present  <b>Local and thematic study</b>	Enquiry assessment
English Reformation and Counter Reformation.	<b>Source Analysis Skills</b>  <b>Historical Concepts Study</b> Cause and consequence	Source analysis

## Year 8: 1750 -1945

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Focus</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
Industrial Revolution	<b>Historical Concepts Study</b> Change and Continuity Local element: Tullie House – Victorian Values session	Extended writing – essay skills
The First World War and Peace Settlement	<b>Source Analysis Skills</b>	Source skills exam
Rise of Hitler and the Holocaust	<b>Depth Study</b>	Drafting exercise memorial
America's involvement in the Second World War (Pearl Harbour, war with Japan)	<b>Enquiry</b>  <b>World Study</b>	Enquiry project (public speaking element)

## Year 9:

GSCE preparation and practice assessments:

- World Superpowers – systems of government, constitution, overview, etc.
- Russian Revolution – impact on world events.
- America Boom and Bust 1919 – 41.
- The Cold War 1945 – 90.
- Controlled Assessment practice.