

Exam Board: OCR

### Course overview

GCSE History follows the OCR History B: Modern World course. This course is designed to develop your historical skills of analysis and interpretation, able to create reasoned arguments and develop your understanding of sources.

### Course breakdown

The course is made up of three units

- Unit 1: Aspects of International Relations (The Interwar Years, 1919-1939) with Depth Study (Causes and Events of World War I)
- Unit 2: British Depth Study (Britain 1919-1975)
- Unit 3: Controlled Assessment (USA: the Land of Freedom? 1945-1975).



### Assessment

Assessment is 75% exam, with two exam papers on units 1 and 2. Unit 3 is assessed through controlled conditions coursework.

### Coursework Requirements

Coursework is a taught course where you are taught about the broad topic, with an emphasis on source work. You will then be required to select relevant knowledge and sources in order to answer a question set by the exam board. This will be done in the first part of year 11.



### Qualities needed for success in the course:

Curiosity about how the world you live in has been shaped.

The ability to criticise, develop an argument and see more than one point of view.

Good literacy skills.

An interest in various aspects of History.

### Possible paths in Post 16

Students that achieve well in History will be able to progress to History at A-Level which is a well respected qualification by universities. It can be helpful for careers in Law, Education,, Media, Politics, Business and obviously, History.

Studying History also supports further study of a range of Humanities qualifications at A-Level, such as Psychology, Sociology and Geography.