

## GCSE History

GCSE History gives you two years of interesting study, looking at the past and why events happened in the way they did. You find out about some of the really important issues that have helped make the world the way it is today. You learn useful skills and you gain new ideas about the world you are growing up in, and why people are the way they are. History doesn't just help you get great marks in the exam – it also helps you get ahead in the world of work later on. History is about the past, but it provides you with the qualifications and skills you need to succeed in the future.



### [If I do History, what will I study?](#)

You will take the Pearson Edexcel GCSE History exam.

***Unit 1 – Crime and Punishment in Britain over time***

***Unit 2a – The American West c1830-1895***

***Unit 2b – Anglo-Saxon England and the Norman Conquest***

***Unit 3 – Weimar and Nazi Germany 1918-1939***



### [How am I tested?](#)

You will take three GCSE exam papers at the end of Year 11. Your history grade is based only on these papers. Before then however, there are regular assessment tasks and mock exams so you can see how you are doing.

## Why should I take History?

*"Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."*

*George Santyana, 1905*

*"The only thing needed for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing"*

*Edmund Burke 1729-1797*



There are many reasons for studying history and everyone is invited! Definitely take History if any of these apply to you!

- **If you like history already**
- **You are good at it**
- **It may be linked to what you would like to do in future**
- **You want to understand the world around you**
- **You want to go to university**
- **You want to get into good jobs in future**
- **You want to understand people around you**



### History helps you get great jobs in

- ***Advertising***
- ***Antiques and the auction room***
- ***Banking, Finance, careers in the City of London***
- ***Business***
- ***Civil Service***
- ***Fashion design***
- ***Films***
- ***Government***
- ***Internet providers/website design***
- ***Insurance and Reinsurance***
- ***Journalism***
- ***Law***
- ***Local Government***
- ***Libraries***
- ***Museums***
- ***Newspapers and Magazines***
- ***Police***
- ***Politics***
- ***Retail***
- ***Social work***
- ***Stockbroking, bonds, derivatives trading, investments***
- ***Teaching***
- ***Television, radio and new media***

### Further Information

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