



Humanities  
**History**

**KS3**  
Curriculum Details

**Year 7**

Content

Homework

Parent / Carer Support

**Welcome to History!**

What is History? Students will be introduced to different historical skills such as chronology, significance and using sources. Through this we will explore local of the East Midlands.

Around 2 pieces. May include source work and some local research.

Research the history of your local area or your family. Ask your son/daughter about the skills needed to be a good historian. Check homework is completed on time.

**The Norman Conquest**

Students will study life under Edward the Confessor and the dangerous position England is left in once he dies. From here students will study the different contenders to the throne in 1066 and the 3 battles that shaped England. We then explore the changes that happened in England after William was crowned King.

Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the Bayeux Tapestry.

Research subject areas and discuss ideas.

**Life in the Middle Ages**

Students will learn about the role of the Church in Medieval England and the power struggle between Church and Crown through the case study of Thomas Becket. After this they will look at different ways there was conflict between the Crown/people/Church in Medieval England and how events like the Black Death and Peasants Revolt shaped Britain.

Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the Magna Carta.

Research subject areas and discuss ideas.

**The Tudors**

During the reign of the Tudor family England (and much of the wider world) underwent a series of major changes. Students will look at the reigns of some of the Tudor monarchs and look at the changes they brought to religion and the way the country was governed as well as exploring how this was the start of the colonisation of the 'New World.'

Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the Spanish Armada.

Research subject areas and discuss ideas.

**The Stuarts and the English Civil War**

The death of Elizabeth and the establishment of the Stuarts as the rulers of England will be studied. We will look at the beliefs that brought James and then Charles into conflict with Parliament, and how this led to the English Civil War. They will then explore life during the Protectorate and the role of Oliver Cromwell, before looking at the restoration of the monarchy under Charles II.

Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the restoration of the monarchy.

Research subject areas and discuss ideas.

**Life in the Renaissance**

Students will study life in Renaissance England. They will look at changes to day to day life and how the catastrophic events of the Great Plague and Great Fire shaped life in London. Students will also explore how new ideas shaped the way people lives and how society changed during this period and how this compared to life in the Middle Ages.

Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the Great Fire of London.

Research subject areas and discuss ideas.

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**Year 8**

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<b>Transatlantic slave trade</b>	Students will start Y8 by looking at African empires. They will then study how the growth in overseas trade helped to establish the slave trade triangle. From that they will go on to explore how the slave trade worked and the journey the slaves went on from their capture through the middle passage and then on to life on the plantations. After looking at resistance students will study why the slave trade end when it does. Within this students will look at Britain's role in this.	Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the Mali Empire.	Research subject areas and discuss ideas.
<b>Civil Rights movement</b>	This will start by linked to the end of the last unit and students will study the American Civil War and what it meant for the end of slavery in the USA. From here they will explore how segregation was implemented across the southern states of the USA and what this looked like in reality. This will allow students to then move on to how the Civil Rights movement started and different forms of resistance. Here students will also explore different global Civil Rights movements including Britain's.	Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the Bristol Bus Boycott.	Research subject areas and discuss ideas.
<b>The Industrial Revolution</b>	Students will look at how Britain industrialised through the growth of large factories in the industrial revolution. They will study what life was like for children in the mills through looking at living and working conditions. Students will explore why children were forced to work and the impact this had on then.	Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like Arkwright's mill.	Research subject areas and discuss ideas.
<b>Life in Victorian Britain</b>	This unit explores everyday life in Victorian Britain and will explore themes such as law and order, migration and political changes. Here students will also explore the British Empire and the impact of colonisation.	Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the Southwell Workhouse.	Research subject areas and discuss ideas.
<b>Fighting for the vote</b>	Linking on from the previous unit this topic explores how the vote was extended to more men in the 19thC before moving on to the Suffragette movement. Within this students will explore different methods used by the suffragettes to gain support and will do a case study on the death of Emily Davison.	Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the work of Emmeline Pankhurst.	Research subject areas and discuss ideas.

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<b>WW1</b>	Students start Y9 by exploring what the world was like at the start of the 20thC. From here they will explore the escalating conflict of WWI and why it is a 'world war'. Students will look at the life for soldiers in the trenches and will explore major battles such as the Somme.	Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand.	Research subject areas and discuss ideas
<b>Roaring twenties</b>	Linking on from the last unit students will look at the Treaty of Versailles and how the USA emerges as a world superpower. They will look at wider cultural and political changes that happen in the 1920s and will consider whether they deserve to be called 'roaring'?	Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the League of Nations.	Research subject areas and discuss ideas.
<b>WWII: Germany and the Holocaust</b>	Students will explore how the challenges of the 1920s and early 1930s led to the Nazi party coming to power and establishing a dictatorship. They will look at life in Nazi Germany and the growing persecution of the Jewish population before studying the events of the Holocaust.	Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the Reichstag Fire.	Research subject areas and discuss ideas.
<b>Impact of WWII</b>	Here students will explore how WWII effected different parts of the world. They will look at the impact of the blitz, the war in Africa and the Pacific and the dropping of the atomic bombs.	Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the bombing of English cities.	Research subject areas and discuss ideas.
<b>World after 1945</b>	We will finish the Y9 schemes of work by looking at major world events that happened after 1945 and how they have shaped the world we live in today.	Mixture of SMHW quizzes and research tasks on things like the Cuban Missile Crisis.	Research subject areas and discuss ideas.

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