

History

Curriculum Content

Half term	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Autumn 1	Nazi Germany	USA: 1950s, 60s and 70s including the Civil Rights Movement	The History of Medicine: Cause and Cure, Surgery and Public Health in the 19 th and 20 th Centuries
Autumn 2	Holocaust	Cold War: 1940s and the origins of the Cold War including the bombing of Hiroshima and the Berlin Blockade	Norman England, conquest and control
Spring 1	USA: 1920s economic boom	Cold War: 1950s development and crises	Norman England, Life in Norman England
Spring 2	USA: 1920s and the divided society	Cold War: 1960s crises and détente The History of Medicine: The Middle Ages	GCSE Normans, Religion in Norman England and a study of the historic environment linked to Norman England
Summer 1	USA: 1920s and the divided society leading to the Wall Street Crash	Revision for the mock exam The History of Medicine: Early Modern England	Revision
Summer 2	USA: 1930s and the Depression and the New Deal. The USA in World War 2	The History of Medicine: Early Modern England	

Skills

The GCSE course allows students to develop a number of skills which are essential to fully understand and engage with the study of History. For example:

- Students will develop a secure understanding of chronology, knowledge and understanding of history on different scales and contexts.
- Students apply historical concepts and processes and engage with the nature of evidence and interpretation.
- Students will engage with a variety of perspectives, such as political, social and economic, and investigate the contributions of key individuals and groups. In this way students will be able to draw parallels and make links between the distinct areas of study.

Assessment

This linear GCSE course from AQA is examined entirely by examination at the end of Year 11. There are 2 papers, each equally weighted:

- Paper 1 – The USA 1920-1973 and the Cold War 1945-1972
- Paper 2 – The History of Medicine 1000 to the present day and Norman England c.1066 – c. 1100

Further details about the course can be found at <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/history/gcse/history-8145>

