

Conflict and tension: the inter-war years, 1918–1939

AQA specification Content		Class work completed	Revised
Below is an outline of the possible topics that will come up in your <u>in hall assessment</u>. Please use this document to check your revision and preparation.			
Part one: Peacemaking			
The Versailles Settlement: aims of the peacemakers; Wilson and the Fourteen Points; Clemenceau and Lloyd George			
The extent to which the peacemakers achieved their aims.			
Terms of the Versailles Settlement (Treaty of Versailles): Diktat; territorial changes; military restrictions; war guilt and reparations.			
Impact of the treaty and wider settlement: reactions of the Allies; German objections;			
Strengths and weaknesses of the settlement, including the problems faced by new countries.			
Part two: The League of Nations and international peace			
The League of Nations: its formation; organisation; membership and how it changed			
The powers and work of the League			
The contribution of the League to peace in the 1920s,			
The successes and failures of the League, such as the Aaland Islands			
The successes and failures of the League, such as Upper Silesia			
The successes and failures of the League, such as Vilna, Corfu and Bulgaria			
Diplomacy outside the League: Locarno treaties and the Kellogg-Briand Pact.			
The collapse of the League: the effects of the Depression			
The collapse of the League: the Manchurian crisis and its consequences			
The collapse of the League: the Abyssinian crisis and its consequences			
The failure of the League to avert war in 1939.			
Part three: The origins and outbreak of the Second World War			
The development of tension: Hitler's aims and Allied reactions			
The development of tension: the Dollfuss Affair			
The development of tension: the Saar			
German rearmament, including conscription; the Stresa Front; Anglo-German Naval Agreement.			
Escalation of tension: Remilitarisation of the Rhineland			
Escalation of tension: Mussolini, the Axis and the Anti Comintern Pact			
Escalation of tension: Anschluss			
Reasons for and against the policy of appeasement			
The Sudeten Crisis and Munich and the occupation of Czechoslovakia			
The ending of appeasement.			
The outbreak of war: the role of the USSR and the Nazi Soviet Pact			
The outbreak of war: the invasion of Poland and outbreak of war, September 1939			

Responsibility for the outbreak of war, including that of key individuals: Hitler, Stalin and Chamberlain.		
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