

# HISTORY GCSE



## Examination Board:

AQA

## Assessment:

100% Examination

## What Will You Learn?

Your GCSE will include the study of the following topics:

### Britain Health and the People (examined in Y11)

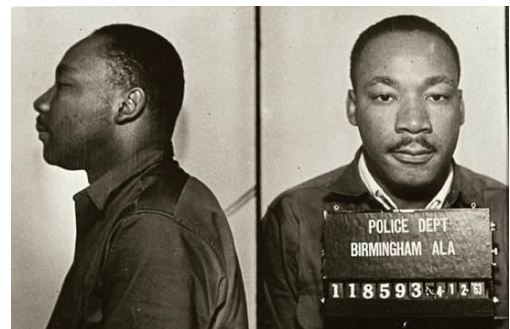
From the superstitions of Medieval England to the modern wonders of medicine. How has medicine changed, and what factors and individuals made this possible? It will make you glad you were not a patient 100 years ago or before. You do not need to be a scientist to enjoy this course!



### America 1920 – 1973 (examined in Y11)

Students explore the dramatic change in 20<sup>th</sup> century America. Key focus questions include:

- Why did the USA's economy boom in the 1920s?
- What was the impact of the Great Depression?
- How did black people and women challenge inequality?



### Conflict and Tension (examined in Y11)



This depth study allows students to understand the causes of conflict in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century as well as the impact this has on nations. Particular focus is on foreign policy between World War One and Two.

## **Elizabethan England** (examined in Y11)

This topic allows students to gain an understanding of the major events of the late 16<sup>th</sup> Century. This includes key moments such as The Spanish Armada, the execution of Mary Queen of Scots and Catholic plots. British history will form a minimum of 40% of the assessed content over the full course.



## **Who Is This Course For?**

Students who choose History are often inquisitive people. They like asking questions and want to understand why events happened, what effects people or events had and why our world looks the way it does today.

Students also enjoy lively debates and are able to offer opinions on the significance of events or people.

Students who choose History also often enjoy literacy and like the challenge of putting together well balanced arguments in extended pieces of writing.

## **What Happens When You Finish?(Career Pathway)**

History is a well-regarded subject by colleges, universities and employers. It is acknowledged as a challenging GCSE and as such, is one of the subjects that the top universities in the UK recommend students study.

Apart from being very interesting, History is also very useful. Employers who see you have a GCSE in History know certain things about you. They will know that you have taken on certain key skills that enable you to:

- Gather, read and understand different kinds of information
- Produce balanced arguments; weigh up the pros and cons of situations
- Communicate clearly and have learned how to express yourself verbally on paper
- Understand how people tick, and what motivates them, what they think and feel

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