



Nether Stowe School

Inspiring, Empowering and Achieving Together

A Level History

Exam Board - AQA

Course Summary

Students study three main components of the course.

Unit 1 is a breadth study which focuses upon significant historical developments over a period of around 100 years and associated interpretations.

Unit 2 is a study in depth of a period of major historical change or development and associated primary source materials.

Unit 3 is a personal study based on a topic of the student's choice.

Modules

Tsarist and Communist Russia, 1855-1964 · Trying to preserve autocracy, 1855-1894 · The collapse of autocracy, 1894-1917 · The emergence of a Communist dictatorship, 1917- 1941 · The Stalinist dictatorship and reaction, 1941-1964

Making of Modern Britain 1951-2007 · The Affluent Society, 1951-1964 · The Sixties, 1964-1970 · The end of Post-War Consensus, 1970-1979 · The impact of Thatcherism, 1979-1987 · Towards a new Consensus, 1987-1997 · The Era of New Labour, 1997-2007

Assessment

Component 1: Breadth Study (1H Tsarist and Communist Russia, 1855–1964)

Written exam: 2 hours 30 mins = 40%

Component 2: Depth Study (2S The Making of Modern Britain, 1951–2007) Written exam: 2 hours 30 mins = 40%

Component 3: Historical Investigation

Students complete an individual historical investigation of a maximum 3,500 words = 20%

Career Opportunities

History enables you to develop a variety of skills that will equip you for a successful future in a rapidly changing job market. History will help you to communicate and justify your own opinion, write coherently, research and synthesise information, interrogate evidence all while deepening your understanding of this fascinating subject. History is often regarded as a 'gateway' to many career opportunities. Whether you wish to work in Law, Accountancy, Armed Forces, Police, Heritage, Politics, the Civil Service, Teaching, Academia, Archival and Museum Careers, Marketing and Genealogy. So many employers prize a history qualification.

Complementing subjects;

English literature, English language, Geography

