Key Stage 3 Curriculum Overview **History**

2022-23



King's College
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Year 7

Term 1

What is History and how does it work?

What does it mean for something to be significant in History?

Who do we use primary and secondary sources in History?

What is a civilization and where and why did they begin?

Case Study: Comparing global civilizations

Term 2

What was life like in Medieval Europe?

Why did Muslims and Christians go to war in the crusades?

Why is the Black Death so well remembered?

What were the silk roads and how did they connect the world?

Case study - The Great Wall of China

Term 3

What was the Renaissance and why was it ground breaking?

How did the Spanish and Portuguese shrink the world?

How did Martin Luther lead to war between England and Spain?

Case study: The Spanish Armada



Assessment Information

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Resources to support or extend learning

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/ztjrbqt

Year 8

Term 1

Case study: African civilizations and culture

Why should we remember the Transatlantic slave trade?

Why was there a civil war in the USA and how did it affect the future?

Term 2

What is an empire and why are they so common?

Case study: Should Spanish and British people be proud of our past empires? How did the British lose their empire?



Term 3

Case Studies on causation

Why did the French to kill their king in the French Revolution?

Case study on Significance

What was the industrial revolution and how did it change the world?

Case study on WW1

Why was World War one so significant?

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https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/courses/zybxtrd

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z4crd2p



Year 9

Term 1

Democracy and dictatorship- what is the difference between them and why are both still popular today?

Case studies Rights and protest in democracies

- 1. Did Emily Davidson mean to kill herself? The fight for women's rights in the UK
- 2. The fight for Civil Rights for African Americans in the USA.

Case study: Dictatorship in the 20th Century: Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia

- 1. How did Hitler turn a democracy into a dictatorship?
- 2. Why was Stalin so terrifying?

Term 2

How did WW2 start so soon after WW1?

Why was WW2 a global conflict?

Case study: Was the use of nuclear weapons on Japan justified?

Did WW2 really end? How a hot war turned cold.

Term 3

Case study: How cold was the Cold War?

- 1. The Cuban Missile Crisis
- 2. The Berlin Wall
- 3. The Vietnam war

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Why did hijackers fly into the twin towers on September 11th 2001? Causes of war and terror in the 20th and 21st Century.

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https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zn29cmn

https://www.911memorial.org/

https://www.britannica.com/event/Arab-Israeli-wars