



Year 9 Annual Exam for History

The History end of year exam will be divided into four sections:

Section 1: Vocabulary power: key words

You will be given 10 definitions and you will have to identify the correct key word. There will be a choice of key words at the bottom of the page.

Section 2: Knowledge-based questions

You will answer knowledge-based questions which will require short answers. For example, you may be asked to name the causes of a war or the date of a historical event.

Section 3: Extended writing

You will answer one essay question in which you will write 3 PEE paragraphs and a conclusion. In your conclusion you must have a clear judgement. You could show complex thinking by considering how important changes are in the short-term and long-term OR different types of changes (e.g. economic, political, religious). There are 4 marks available on this question for spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Section 4: Skills-based questions

You will answer questions which relate to History skills and themes. This includes analysing sources to consider how they are useful to learn about historical events, considering both content and provenance. You will also be asked to describe the causes of key events in History.

The following is a list of suggested revision activities:

Revision Activity	Key questions to consider	Revised? ☒
1. Create flash cards using the knowledge organiser 1 on the First World War.	What were the long-term causes of the First World War? What were the short-term causes of the First World War? How did people experience the war? What was the impact of the war?	
2. Create a mind-map using knowledge organiser 2 on the Second World War.	What are the key events of the Interwar Years, 1918-1939? What are the turning points of the Second World War? How did people experience the war in Britain and Germany?	
3. Write answers to the key questions in the next column using knowledge organiser 4 on Global Conflict post-1945.	How and why did India and Ghana gain independence from the British Empire? What were the key events of the Vietnam War? What were the causes and consequences of the Troubles in Northern Ireland? What were the causes and consequences of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan? What were the causes and consequences of the Soviet invasion of 9/11? What were the causes of the Fall of the USSR?	
4. Use one of the revision strategies above to revise GCSE Germany knowledge organiser 1.	Why was the Kaiser forced to abdicate? What problems did the Kaiser experience? What was the impact of the growth of socialism upon the Kaiser's power? What was the impact of World War One upon the Kaiser's power?	

It is important to note that there will be some short-answer questions on the Holocaust unit from knowledge organiser 3. However, most of the exam will focus upon knowledge organisers 1, 2, 4 and the first GCSE Germany knowledge organiser.