

Supporting your child through their History GCSE



The History Exams

Paper	Topics	Length	%	Date
1	British Medicine	1 hour 15	30	AM 3/06/2019
2	American West and Henry VIII	1 Hour 45 (Split across two papers)	40	PM 6/06/2019
3	Weimar and Nazi Germany	1 hour 20	30	PM 11/06/2019



Exam Content

Paper	 British Medicine between 1200 and 2000 Medieval, Renaissance, Industrial and Modern British Medicine in the Trenches during the First
One	World War
Paper Two	 The American West: Settlement, Conflict and Tension, Farming and Cattle Ranching Henry VIII: Wolsey, Cromwell and the Reformation

Paper Three

- Weimar Germany 1919 to 1929
- The rise of the Nazi Party 1919 to 1933
- Life in Nazi Germany 1934 to 39



Supporting with Revision

Revision is vital for all students but it can lead to a great deal of stress and anxiety. We've included some tips below for parents/carers:

- Encourage your child to start revision early this should already be well underway!
- Encourage your child to be organised and use a revision timetable and also space out the different topics they study.
- Encourage your child to use the free revision guides provided by the faculty.
 Electronic copies available
- Ask your child if you can help them: chatting to them or using flashcards to quiz them etc.
- Encourage your child to to the 'How to revise in history' sheet that gives hints on the best way to revise history (pages 2 and 3 of this document!)
- Ensure your child has breaks, eats well and gets a work/life balance



Online Revision

Mr White has put exam papers, revision videos, revision guides and worksheets on ShowMyHomework tor students to use at home:

www.showmyhomework.co.uk

Revision Sessions

Revision sessions have been running since September and will be every week until June

Tuesday 4pm – 5pm, Room 137

Attendance is essential to doing well in GCSE history, those who attend do well, its simple!

Contacting the Faculty

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How do we revise for history?



Three common revision techniques that are **LEAST** effective

- in helping you revise are:
- Re-reading
- Summarising text

Highlighting texts

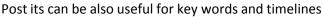




Whilst these methods may feel like you are revising, there are many better methods to help you revise.

Flashcards

Simply create with questions on side and answers on the other side. You can colour code for specific topics and guiz yourself or others.





Using Flashcards

Using the Leitner Method, using the video below https://youtu.be/C20EvKtdJwQ

You can also create excellent flashcards online or on your phone using Quizlet which also had an app.

Quizlet

How to use in history

There are a variety of ways to use flashcards in revision for the skills you need

Key Terms Create for key words and terms



Causation Create for the causes of events

or progress



Judgments

Create an agree or disagree argument against a quote



Narrative

Create to show a narrative of events in order



Retrieval Practice

Testing what you know is a powerful tool in revision, the effort to remember something really strengthens your memory

Apps such as Memrise and Quizlet allow you to use or create your own quizzes based on topics.

Create them, test yourself or get someone to test you, it's works!

How to use in history

Spaced Test on old and new quizzes for a topic topics mixed up

Knowledge Organisers

Use to create 'must know'

Types

There are a number of types you can create:

- Multiple Choice Questions
- True or False
- Short Explanation Questions
- Odd One Out

To identify 2-3 factors, causes of an

If this is the answer then what is the question

Factors/Causes/Consequences **Examples**

'Give two examples event/person e.g. The rising against Tostig

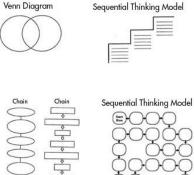
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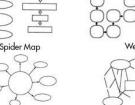
Graphic organisers are a great way of 'transforming' your notes/information into visual revision topics.

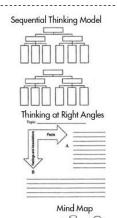
They can be used to create links, show a narrative, identify the causes/consequences and importance of something.

How to use in history

- 1. Causation Create a visual flow diagram of the chronological events in a time period e.g. American West
- 2. Change and Continuity Create a Venn diagram to show what changed and did not in medical time period
- 3. Concept Mapping— At the end of a week, mind map all you can remember about a topic and link area together. Then add to your mind map using a different colour using notes









How to:

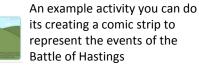
- 1.Use simple drawings with matching simple descriptions
- 2. The drawing should represent your understanding of the topic
- 3. Try to draw links between images

Dual Coding

Dual coding' is the method of putting your knowledge into visual form alongside words. It increases the chances of you remembering it.







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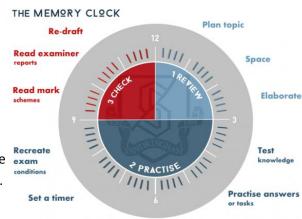
Deliberate Practice

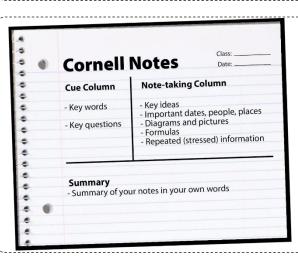
Set aside time to practice improving your knowledge or historical skills. Choose what you need to do, it must be tough enough to challenge you, and practice, practice!

You should focus on something that you are *almost* able to do but not just yet!

How to use in history

- 1.Use a model answer from the teacher, pull it apart and identify the key parts. Then answer a similar question and try to replicate exam
- 2. Study material, complete practice questions in timed conditions. Then use your notes to correct / improve your answer.
 - A week later, redo a similar question. Repeat as necessary.





The Cornell Method

This method can be used in your revision books as a great method to get you to 'think' about your revision. Simply split your page into 3 sections as shown on the diagram on the left:

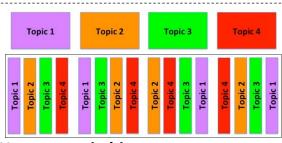


- **Note Taking**
- Summary

How to use in history

Use it to summarise a whole topic or theme, for example

- How did medical treatment change or continue over time?
- Methods used by Henry to secure his annulment
- How Hitler became Dictator by 1934



Interleaving and Spacing

Don't revise your all topics in one go (cramming), you should revise 'chunks' of a topic for small amounts of time (15 minutes) and then move onto another 'chunk' from a different topic.

This will improve your memory!

e.g. 15 minutes on Medicine, then Germany then American West

How to use in history

- 1. Create a revision plan to cover topics you need to cover (least confident first!) and then go back over them again later. Spread our your learning in small sections, 5 hours to 5 x 1 hour
- 2. Use your flashcards to self test yourself on old and new topics, self testing across these



The Big Picture

The best way to aid your understanding of history is to make sure you are confident with the big 'overview' story before you begin revising individual topics.



How to use in history

- 1.Create a timeline to identify the key events in a topic and colour code the themes. E.g. Westward Settlement and Indian Conflict in the American West
- Mapping out what you can remember about a topic before you start, e.g. The treatment of disease through time or the Weimar Republic 1919-1929

The basics

Simply, make sure you eat, sleep and take time out!



Create and use a

revision planner



The more you put in

Find a nice space to revise in

the more you get out!

Set an alarm and start early!

Revise, Repeat. Remember