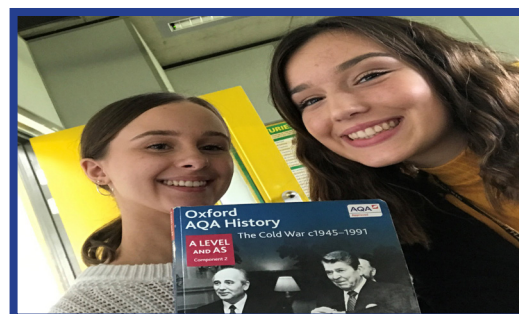


History A-level AQA Exam Board



Why Study History?

The History A-level qualification has been designed to help students understand the significance of historical events, the role of individuals in history and the nature of change over time. The qualification will help students gain a deeper understanding of the past through political, social, economic and cultural perspectives. The engaging topics (the Tudors, the Cold War and the non-examined assessment – coursework of the students' choosing) available to students throughout the course will provide them with the knowledge and skills they require to succeed A-level historians.



Assessment Structure

Paper 1: The Tudors 40% 2..5 hour written exam

Section A: One compulsory question linked to historical interpretations worth 30 marks

Section B: Two question from three essays 2 x 25 marks

Paper Two: The Cold War 40% 2..5 hour written exam

Section A: One compulsory question linked to primary sources or sources contemporary to the period - worth 30 marks.

Section B: Two question from three essays 2 x 25 marks

Paper 3: Non-Examined Assessment 20%

A personal study based on a topic of student's choice. This should take the form of a question in the context of approximately 100 years. It must not duplicate the content of options chosen for Components 1 and 2.
3000–3500 word assignment

Possible Career Pathways:

- Law
- Media
- Politics
- Teaching
- Public Services
- Librarian
- Archivist
- The Military

Advised Entry Requirements:

Grade 4 at GCSE History.
A Grade 5 at English, if History has not been studied at GCSE.

Specification Link

<https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/history/specifications/AQA-7041-7042-SP-2015.PDF>