

Year 8 History

Overview: The Year 8 History course aims to build on skills students have learned in Year 7 and to begin preparing them for the demands of the iGCSE course. Year 8 is divided into three depth topics. During the first term, students will learn about the horrors of the Transatlantic slave trade. Their studies will then shift to 17th century England when they will learn in depth about The English Civil War and Oliver Cromwell and the Commonwealth.

	Autumn 1 and 2	Spring 1 and 2	Summer 1 and 2
Topic	An investigation into The Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade	The English Civil War	Oliver Cromwell and The Commonwealth
Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Kingdoms of The Sahel • The Arrival of European traders in West Africa • The structure of the trans-Atlantic slave trade. • The expansion of the trans-Atlantic slave trade. • British involvement in the trans-Atlantic slave trade. • The Impact of the trans-Atlantic slave trade. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Background to The English Civil War • Causes of The English Civil War • The First English Civil War 1642 - 46 • The Second English Civil War 1648 -49 • The trial of Charles I for treason • The Third English Civil War 1649-51 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oliver Cromwell the Early Years • Oliver Cromwell's Role in The English Civil War • The Establishment of The Commonwealth • Cromwell in Ireland • Cromwell in Scotland • Dissolution of the Rump and formation of the Barebone parliament • The Protectorate 1653-1658 • Cromwell's death
Skills	AO1 – Knowledge and Understanding. AO2 – Understanding change and consequence AO3 – Analysing sources AO4 – Making historical interpretations	AO1 – Knowledge and Understanding. AO2 – Understanding change and consequence AO3 – Analysing sources AO4 – Making historical interpretations	AO1 – Knowledge and Understanding. AO2 – Understanding change and consequence AO3 – Analysing sources AO4 – Making historical interpretations
Assessments	End of Term Internal Assessment	End of Term Internal Assessment	End of Term Internal Assessment