

HISTORY



Our two-year A-Level includes a breadth study on Britain Challenge and Transformation 1851-1964, a depth study on the Birth of the USA 1760-1801, and a Non-Examined Assessment on Russia 1855-1964.

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BEFORE YOU START

- Key textbooks to purchase:
 1. Challenge and Transformation: Britain c1851-1964 (Oxford) by Fortune & Waller ISBN: 978-0198354666
 2. The American Revolution and the Birth of the USA 1740-1801 (Access to History) Third Edition, by Farmer ISBN: 978-1510459182

Find the definitions of:

1. Salutory neglect
2. Mercantilism
3. Colonialism
4. Ideology
5. Democracy
6. Economic depression
7. Autocracy
8. Communism

Britain 1851 to 1964:

Watch or read a film, Tv series or book set in the 1850s, and one set in the 1960s and write a brief comparison of the two periods of British History – ideas below

1. 1850s: Great Expectations, Scrooge/A Christmas Carol, Bleak House, David Copperfield (Charles Dickens' work)
2. 1960s: The early episodes of Coronation Street, the early Carry On films, Quadrophenia, John Osborne's "Look Back in Anger".



Produce a **project of your own work** on George Washington, the Commander in Chief of the Continental Army during the American War of Independence, and the 1st President of the United States of America. You will need to research Washington's life and career and must try to include:

1. A brief timeline of key events in Washington's life
2. A written biography
3. A summary of key events such as his career and attitude to the British before the War, his actions during the war (e.g. Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Yorktown) and his role afterwards including his Presidency
4. An evaluation of Washington's strengths and weaknesses
5. A conclusion with your substantiated view of Washington

What can you do with your knowledge and enjoyment of History?

Write a 200 word paragraph explaining the skills you gain from History, and the possible career paths you could pursue with a History A level or degree.