



Bishop Rawstone Academy – History Curriculum Area

Year 8 Curriculum - Knowledge and Skills

Year 7 unit of work	National Curriculum statement - Knowledge	National Curriculum statement - Skills
Unit 1 – Slave Trade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand how the slave trade triangle worked and why Britain got involved in the slave trade • Understand the experiences of the slaves in all parts of the slave trade • Understand the acts of rebellion against the trade • Learn the reasons why the slave trade was abolished 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significance • Interpretations • Evidently supported accounts
Unit 2 – Victorian England	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the impact of the industrial revolution on the physical landscape of Britain and society • Understand how the British Empire grew in the period and its impact on society 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interpretations – usefulness of them • Cause and consequence • Evidently supported accounts
Unit 3 – Women’s rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the reasons why women campaigned for equality • Learn the tactics used by women to gain equality e.g. Suffragettes, Emily Davison 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • source usefulness and convincingness • cause and consequences • analyse evidence • significance • Evidently supported accounts • contrasts
Unit 4 – First World War	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understand the key causes of the war – short and long term • understand the differing experiences of soldiers in the war – from the trenches, to specific battles, home front • Understand the key reasons for Germany’s surrender in the war • Learnt the terms of the Treaty of Versailles and reach judgement on it 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Causes and consequence • Significance • Making connections • source usefulness and convincingness • analyse evidence • Evidently supported accounts • contrasts

Unit 5 – Holocaust	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understand the origins of the Holocaust – Hitler’s rise to power, early Nazi policies • understanding the different experiences of those involved in the Holocaust – laws, ghettos, camps, other non-Jewish groups, resistance • learn the impact the end of the war had on ending the Holocaust and liberation of camps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cause and consequence • Significance • analyse evidence • Evidently supported accounts
Unit 6 – Second World War	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the origins of the Second World war – Hitler’s action in 1930s • Focus on the key battles and turning points of the war – learn the chronology of battles and impact on the war as a whole. • Understand the reasons why war ended – what was the turning point? • Understand the impact the war had on civilians • Understand the consequences of the war - what happened to Germany after the war? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cause and consequence • Chronology • Significance • analyse evidence • Evidently supported accounts • source usefulness and convincingness
Unit 7 – Post –war world	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the global situation following WWII – impact of Communism in the world • Learn the chronology and key events of the Cold War • Understand the long term impact on the world leading up to modern day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cause and consequence • Chronology • Significance