

Key Stage 1 and 2: Most primary schools in Scarborough study the ancient civilisations of Egypt, Greece and Rome; a wider-world study, for example, China; a theme study, for example, Britain at war; an aspect of local history and British history from the pre-historic to the Anglo-Saxon and Viking eras.

Year 7: Norman Conquest and Norman England; Life in the Middle Ages; The Black Death and Peasant's Revolt; The Tudors and religious change; Local History Project; Skills in history – introduction to chronology, measuring time, evidence, bias, reliability, utility, provenance, explanation and argument.

Year 8: The Stuarts and the English Civil War; The Protectorate and the Restoration; The Industrial Revolution; The Age of Empires; The Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade; Crime and Punishment Thematic Study; USA in the 20th Century Depth Study; Skills in history – develop understanding of chronology, evidence, bias, reliability, utility, provenance, interpretation, explanation and argument.

Year 10: GCSE unit 1 – Germany, 1890-1945: Democracy and dictatorship, including Germany under Kaiser Wilhelm I, the Weimar Republic and Nazi Germany; GCSE unit 2– Norman England, c1066-c1100, including the Conquest, social and economic changes, religious reform and Historic Environment study; Skills in history – development of GCSE source evaluation and analysis, reliability, utility, purpose, provenance; explanation of second-order concepts, essay writing and supported arguments.

Year 9: The Age of Revolutions (comparative study): The French Revolution and The Russian Revolution; The First World War – causes, events and consequences; The Second World War – causes, events, consequences, including the Holocaust; The Cold War in Europe and Cold War conflict in Asia; Skills in history – GCSE source evaluation and analysis, bias, reliability, utility, purpose, provenance; explanation of second-order concepts, essay writing and supported argument.

Year 11: GCSE unit 3 – Power and the people: c1170 to the present day, including 12 case studies covering the Middle Ages, Early Modern period, the 19th and 20th centuries; GCSE unit 4 – Conflict and tension: The inter-war years, 1918-1939, including the Paris Peace Settlement, the Treaty of Versailles, the League of Nations and origins of the Second World War; Skills in history – mastery of GCSE source evaluation and analysis, reliability, utility, purpose, provenance; explanation of second-order concepts, essay writing skills and supported argument.

Key Stage 5 and beyond: GCSE history supports not just A Level History, but other humanities subjects, the social sciences, Government and Politics and Law. The French, Russian Revolution and British history topics are revisited at 6th Form. As an academic subject, History is a sought-after qualification in many careers, including the civil service, government, legal professions, police, teaching, heritage, journalism and the media.