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| Year 7 What was the Roman Empire? HT1 | How the Roman Empire began The importance of the Roman Army Life in the Roman Empire How did the Romans conquer Britain and a case study on Roman Manchester | Students will be taught through independent research, comprehension questions, group work, use of source material and YouTube clips. Students will use be introduced to a local study by looking at Roman Manchester. Students will be introduced to the skills of writing analytical answers and writing narratives (writing a factual historical story from its beginning to its end) | This unit focuses on World History and the lives of our ancient ancestors. The unit allows students to understand the early development of Britain and how other nations have impacted on our country. | This unit introduces students in Year 7 to History as a distinct subject by introducing them to history skills such as causation and the analysis of source material. This unit helps develop student's knowledge of chronology as it is the earliest civilisation we look at and other Y7 units are focused on periods that come after the Romans. This unit links to subjects taught in Primary school |

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| Year 7 | What were | Students will | This unit | This unit helps explain |
| Why did | towns like in | be taught | focuses on a | the development of |
| people die so | the middle | through | key period of | society in Britain post |
| young in the | ages? | comprehension | British history | Roman invasion. |
| Middle Ages? | The Black | questions, | and helps | |
| | Death and how | group work, | students to | The unit helps students |
| HT2-3 | medieval | use of source | understand the | understand the |
| | people tried to | material and | lives of | importance of religion |
| | cure this and | documentaries. | individuals who | in society which links to |
| | other illnesses | | | our next unit on why |

| The Crusades, their causes | Students will | came before us. | religion was a matter of life and death. |
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| and why people went on a crusade Medieval Warfare | be introduced to causation and will attempt to write an extended answer explaining the causes of events. | This unit also teaches the Black Death which students will see as a turning point in British history. Students will learn about the important role the religion had in society and how it was used as a reason for war. | This unit helps students understand the society created by William the Conqueror, who they will investigate in Year 8. |

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| Why was religion a matter of life and death in the 16 th and 17 th centuries? | Why was religion so important in the 16th century? Why did Henry VIII break away from the Church in Rome? The successes and failures of the dissolution of the monasteries To what extent did Edward VI's church improve England? To what extent did Mary I deserve her nickname, 'Bloody Mary'? How far did Elizabeth I manage to settle the issue of religion? | Range of activities in lessons including group tasks, independent comprehension work, relevant video clips to the course. Constructing PEE paragraphs and being able to explain why there was such significant change during the Tudor period Source skills e.g. when analysing the reign of Mary I Factual test assessment on the Tudors | To gain an understanding of the impact religion has on society and the importance of religion during the Tudor period. | Links to the previous topic on the Middle Ages and the influence religion had on medieval lives It will give pupils an understanding of religion and conflict that they will revisit at the end of Year 8 |

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| Year 7 Did the Industrial revolution Improve Lives? | Life in Britain before the Industrial revolution | Enquiry and Independent Research Discussion and | This unit allows you to understand how this period in British | This unit will build on your knowledge of how lives in Britain have changed since the Middle Ages. |
| HT4-5 | Causes of the Industrial revolution Features of change-Working and Living conditions Consequences of the Industrial revolution | Use a Local Study of Styal Mill to examine the impact of the Industrial revolution on our area. Introduce Source skills of inference and utility which are important for GCSE | History prompted massive economic and social changes | This chronological era will also be studied in Year 8 when we look at Empire and Democracy. The focus on Health and Medicine will also be important for GCSE History It will also link to your study of Development and Urbanization in your Geography lessons |

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| Year 7 How did World War Two change Britain? HT6 | Students will focus on key battles in the Second World War, the evacuation process, the Blitz in London, rationing, the role of women, propaganda and who fought on the British side. | Lessons involve enquiry and independent research. Retrieval and metacognition activities are embedded in lessons. Video clips, documentaries, discussions and debates. Introduction of source skills of inference and utility which are important for historians. knowledge test at the end of the unit. | It is important to study World War Two as it is a key point in both British and world History. This topic fits into our wider theme of "People and beliefs' as we look closely at the social impact of the war. | Students have most probably studied World War Two at primary school and so this topic will revise and develop upon their previous knowledge. GCSE technique is introduced now so that students feel confident in writing answers should they take History for GCSE. |

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| Year 8 How was England conquered in 1066? HT1-2 | Who were the contenders to the English throne? How did the leaders prepare for battle in 1066? The Battle of Stamford Bridge & Hastings How did William continue to control England after 1066?: feudal society, the Doomsday Book, Castles | Range of activities in lessons including group tasks, independent comprehension work, relevant video clips to the course. Constructing PEE paragraphs Assessment on why did William win the Battle of Hastings? Factual knowledge test | To gain an understanding of the formation of the English monarchy. | Links to topic in Year 7 that focuses on Medieval warfare and life in the Middle Ages. |
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| Year 8 Why did the English fight the English? HT2-3 | What was England like by the early 1600s? Early problems in the reign of Charles I Causes of the English Civil War- Money/ Religion and Power Main battles of the War Consequences of the War for | Students will use discussion and debate. There will be Prioritisation tasks to determine cause. This will allow students to develop their explanation and debate skill in preparation for GCSE History Students will also use visual and written contemporary | These events helped to shape both British democracy and relations with the Monarchy. This course is useful for explaining the changing relationship with the English monarchy | This course links to a later unit in Year 8 on British democracy. It is important to understand why the role of the monarch changed in the 17th and 18th century |

| the people of England | sources to learn GCSE skills of utility of evidence. | | | |
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| Year 8 | Lessons focus | Retrieval and | It is important to | We study this topic |
| Was the | on why Britain | metacognition | study the British | in the middle of |
| British | had such a large | activities feature | Empire as it is a | Year 8 as we teach |
| Empire a | empire, what | heavily. | key point in | this unit |
| force for | Africa was like | | both British and | chronologically. |
| good? | before | Video clips, films, | world History. | |
| | Europeans went | documentaries, | | GCSE technique is |
| HT 3-4 | there, the slave | discussions and | This topic fits | introduced now so |
| | trade, life on | debates. | into our wider | that students feel |
| | plantations, | | theme of | confident in writing |
| | Britain's role in | Introduction of | 'Power and | answers should |
| | India, India | source skills of | Protest' and it | they take History |
| | gaining her | inference and utility | allows us to look | for GCSE. |
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| | and the pros | for historians. | history critically | |
| | and cons of the | | and question | |
| | British Empire. | Introduction of the | the actions of | |
| | | analysis of historical | our ancestors. | |
| | | interpretations. | | |
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| Year 8 – How | How | Students will | This unit is | This course |
| did people | democratic was | learn through | about the | links to an |
| achieve the | Britain in 1800? | the use of | development | earlier course |
| right to vote? | | source | of democracy | on the English |
| | Early attempts | material, | in the UK and | Civil War and |
| HT4-5 | at getting the | comprehension | why and how | the reduction |
| | vote: Peterloo | tasks, YouTube | ordinary | of the power of |
| | and the | clips, | people have | the monarchy. |
| | Chartists | discussion and | achieved the | |
| | | debate. | rights afforded | It is important |
| | How | | to wealthier | to understand |
| | democratic was | Students will | individuals. | how we live in |
| | Britain by | evaluate the | | a democratic |

| 1900? What reforms had been made to the voting system? How did women get the vote? Role of the Suffragists and Suffragettes | positive and negatives of 19 th century reforms Students will analyse the impact women's suffrage groups and WW1 had | The unit also teaches about gender equality and the growth of women's rights. | society and why democracy is important. |
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| Impact of WW1 | on the right to vote. | | |
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| Year 8 – The migrants experience: A positive story? | The history of migration Earlier groups of migrants Why did people migrate to Britain after WW2? Why did people migrate from the West | Students will learn through the use of source material, comprehension tasks, YouTube clips, discussion and debate. | This unit helps students to understand British society in the 21st century. The unit teaches about diversity but | This course links to an earlier course on the British Empire and students will recognise the link between empire and migration. |
| | Indies? | Students will evaluate the | also about racism and will | It is important for students to |
| | What was the experience of West Indian migrants? | positive and negatives experiences of migrants to the UK Students will research the reaction of | help students to understand injustice in our society and how to recognise and challenge this. | understand the contributions made to British society by diverse groups of people and this contribution will be discussed again |
| | | Caribbean migrants to | | in our unit on |

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| Year 9 Causes and Consequences of World War I HT1-2 | What caused the War to start on August 4 th 1914? Why did so many men rush to join up? What was it like to fight on the Western Front Main battles of the War- case Study of the Battle of the Somme 1917- a year that changes the War | Students will use discussion and debate. There will be Prioritisation tasks to determine cause and consequence. This will allow students to develop their explanation and debate skill in preparation for GCSE History Students will also use visual and written contemporary | These events helped to shape the Twentieth Century. This course is useful for explaining the changing relationship between countries in the Modern era | This course links to the GCSE Unit on Medicine on the Western Front It also allows students to practice EDEXCEL 16 mark questions of debate- this is a key feature of all three GCSE exam papers |
| Consequences of the War- The impact of the Treaty of Versailles | sources to learn GCSE skills of utility of evidence. | | | |

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| Year 9 | The impact of | Students will | This unit helps | This course |
| Why did Hitler | WW1 on | use a mixture | students | helps students |
| become | Germany | of | understand the | understand |
| Chancellor? | The appeal of | comprehension | difference | how WW2 |
| | Adolf Hitler and | activities and | between | happened, a |
| HT2-3 | the Nazis | research tasks | democracy and | unit they |

| The impact of the Great Depression on Germany How the depression impacted political parties | in order to discuss and debate the rise of the Nazis. Students will analyse sources to question their reliability and utility. Students will watch documentaries to hear firsthand accounts of the appeal of the Nazis. | dictatorship and the appeal of dictators. This unit is important in helping students understand the changes during the 20 th century and the impact these changes had. | investigated in Y7. This unit helps explain why the Holocaust happened, which students will be studying next. |
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| Year 9 | The origins of | Students will | This unit is | This course |
| What was the | anti-Semitism | use a mixture | about a key | helps students |
| Holocaust? | in Germany | of research | event in world | understand the |
| | How the Nazis | tasks and the | history and will | impact of the |
| HT3-4 | attempted to | use of sources | help students | Nazis on |
| | indoctrinate | to understand | to understand | European and |
| | the public | the treatment | prejudice and | world history |
| | The treatment | of the Jews in | discrimination. | and links to our |
| | of the German | Germany. | | previous unit |
| | Jews during the | | Students will | on the rise of |
| | 1930s | | understand | the Nazis. |

| The treatment of the European Jews during WW2 | Students will have the opportunity to watch and listen to eyewitness accounts of the | how why we must challenge discrimination and injustice as a society. | |
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| Jewish resistance to the Holocaust | Holocaust. | | |

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| Year 9 Was the world peaceful after WW2? HT4 | Was it acceptable to drop the atomic bomb on Japan? What were the origins of the cold war? Why was there fighting in Vietnam and how was the war fought? What were the 'troubles' in Northern Ireland? What happened during 9/11 and its impact | Students will use a mixture of research tasks and comprehension activities to find out about the post WW2 world. Students will categorise information and engage in debates. Students will use primary source material to investigate key events. Students will write extended answers to practice the skill of causation. Students will practice the | Students will gain an understanding of key events of the 20 th and 21 st century and will be able to understand the world we live in today. Students will gain an understanding of the different beliefs around the world and how these beliefs can lead to conflict. Students will gain an understanding of different political and economic theories. | This unit helps to explain the long-term impacts of WW2 and links to units studied in Year 7 and previously in Year 9. Students will be developing skills and knowledge useful to the study of the USA and Medicine at GCSE. |

| GCSE skill of selecting key facts to write a 'key features' question. | |
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