

A Level History – Subject Information Sheet

Why choose A Level History?

A-level History at Bishop Challoner offers pupils a fantastic opportunity to learn more about how the world around them was made. It looks at a wide variety of different topic areas including more locally with the Tudors unit, and internationally with the Cold war and Middle Eastern units. History pupils learn key skills such as how to structure well thought out and supported arguments, using a wide range of evidence; as well as how to quickly take in large amounts of information and convert that into small, and understandable, chunks. The key skills learnt studying A-level history are widely applicable and will show any top university or employer that the pupil is high achieving and highly motivated.

What other subjects would work well with A Level History?

- English
- Politics
- Philosophy and Ethics
- Geography
- Sociology

Description of the course:

The Cold War in Europe – How the Cold War developed in Europe, causing the political and geographical structure we currently see across the continent today.

The Tudors – Analysing to what extent there really was a crisis in the mid Tudor period and studying the impact of Queen Elizabeth the first on England.

The Middle East 1908 – 2011: Ottomans to Arab Spring – How the Middle East has changed from 1908 – 2011 including the development of the Israeli Arab conflict and the emergence of Palestine.

Coursework – An in depth investigation into a topic of your choice, requiring a 3 – 4,000 word write up. Pupils will need to assess a wide range of historical sources as well as looking at historians interpretations of events.

Educational Progression and Career Opportunities.

What possible careers or degree subjects would A Level (subject) be useful for?

- Education (teaching/lecturer)
- Government and local government
- Public Relations
- Law
- Publishing companies
- Journalism

Want to find out more? Here are some useful websites and resources to use.

<https://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/as-and-a-level/history-a-h105-h505-from-2015/>

<https://s-cool.co.uk/a-level/history>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/newsbeat-44124396>