

Content & Skills

A level History studies subjects as diverse as the Russian Revolutions, the fight for the English throne between the Lancastrians and the Yorkists, and the rise and fall of Hitler.

You will develop your skills in terms of communication, writing a convincing argument, understanding and evaluating historical sources and interpretations, and making connections across different periods of time.

These skills are highly prized by universities and across a range of careers, so if you are interested in Law, Journalism, Broadcast Media, Economics, Business or even Medicine, a History A level will be a great advantage.

What Students say:

I've enjoyed History so much at WBHS that I've applied to do a History degree at university. The teachers have been a great help.

School Trip to Russia, 2019



History

Curriculum & Components

OCR History (H505)

- **Russia & Its Rulers, 1855-1964 (Y318, 40%)**
Studying change and continuity over a 100 year period from the Tsars to the Communists
- **Lancastrians, Yorkists & Tudors, 1445-1509 (Y105, 25%)**
Studying the ways the throne changed hands between Lancaster and York during the turbulent period of the Wars of the Roses
- **Germany: Democracy & Dictatorship, 1919-1963 (Y221, 15%)**
Studying the struggle between democracy, fascism and communism for Germany's soul.

- Assessment
- 80% Exam
 - 20% Non-Examined assessment (Coursework)

Entry Requirements: At least a grade 6 in history. If you have not studied history then at least a grade 6 in English language or literature

What Students say:

History is super-interesting. I'm glad I chose to do it. It was my favourite GCSE subject and A-level has not disappointed. The teachers have passion and teach like they do.

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History is one of, if not the, most interesting subjects to study. Passion, a strong work ethic and willingness to put effort in is mandatory but it really is helpful with other subjects.

