

# GCSE Subject: History

## What revision is expected and where can revision resources be located:

- *Weekly revision topics completed in the department printed Booklet.*
- *Weekly quiz which is set on Class Charts.*
- *Past exam questions which are in the exam question PowerPoint and revision booklet.*

## Help sessions available:

*Every Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm in H4*

## Recommended revision sites:

*Loom Video explaining history revision*

<https://www.loom.com/share/510181057b8d4f16841683252d583188?sid=fe4eb514-84d7-4ae5-abee-ea2cde5ebf2d>

*Department YouTube page*

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLVoQ8D3jna7ONpICvayjWREd4cvOvGBx6>

*Department Google Drive*

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1PNnQaa4u8JJLsHPWmJzMV5auT6u0kx?usp=sharing>

## Exam dates:

### Paper 1 (Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2025 AM – 2 hours)

1. *America, Opportunity and Inequality 1920-73*
2. *Conflict and Tension in Asia, 1950-75*

### Paper 2 (Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June AM 2025 – 2 hours)

3. *Elizabethan England c. 1568-1603*
4. *Health and the People, c.1000- present day*

## Recommended revision guides:

- 1) Oxford AQA GCSE History (9-1): America 1920-1973: Opportunity and Inequality Revision Guide. [https://www.amazon.co.uk/Oxford-AQA-GCSE-History-9-1/dp/0198432828/ref=sr\\_1\\_2?crid=2PAN2GZ8S01GL&keywords=usa+1920-73+revision+guide&qid=1704702091&sprefix=usa+1920-73+revision+guide%2Caps%2C60&sr=8-2](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Oxford-AQA-GCSE-History-9-1/dp/0198432828/ref=sr_1_2?crid=2PAN2GZ8S01GL&keywords=usa+1920-73+revision+guide&qid=1704702091&sprefix=usa+1920-73+revision+guide%2Caps%2C60&sr=8-2)
- 2) Conflict and Tension in Asia 1950-1975 Revision Guide: [https://www.amazon.co.uk/Conflict-Tension-1950-1975-Revision-Guide/dp/0198432860/ref=pd\\_sbs\\_d\\_sccl\\_3\\_5/258-7488222-4256529?pd\\_rd\\_w=hwXpt&content-id=amzn1.sym.f5d177b3-9290-4c61-8b0e-06b08cdd933f&pf\\_rd\\_r=GJFZDE351MAB612E4FNQ&pd\\_rd\\_wg=sSBHM&pd\\_rd\\_r=a0937b67-9a94-4724-a997-be4a1a4244ab&pd\\_rd\\_i=0198432860&psc=1](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Conflict-Tension-1950-1975-Revision-Guide/dp/0198432860/ref=pd_sbs_d_sccl_3_5/258-7488222-4256529?pd_rd_w=hwXpt&content-id=amzn1.sym.f5d177b3-9290-4c61-8b0e-06b08cdd933f&pf_rd_r=GJFZDE351MAB612E4FNQ&pd_rd_wg=sSBHM&pd_rd_r=a0937b67-9a94-4724-a997-be4a1a4244ab&pd_rd_i=0198432860&psc=1)
- 3) Oxford AQA GCSE History: Elizabethan England c1568-1603 Revision Guide (9-1) [https://www.amazon.co.uk/Oxford-AQA-GCSE-History-Elizabethan/dp/0198422938/ref=pd\\_bxqy\\_img\\_d\\_sccl\\_1/258-7488222-4256529?pd\\_rd\\_w=suhHz&content-id=amzn1.sym.40f919ed-e530-4b1a-8d7e-39de6587208d&pf\\_rd\\_r=40f919ed-e530-4b1a-8d7e-39de6587208d&pf\\_rd\\_r=GJFZDE351MAB612E4FNQ&pd\\_rd\\_wg=sSBHM&pd\\_rd\\_r=a0937b67-9a94-4724-a997-be4a1a4244ab&pd\\_rd\\_i=0198422938&psc=1](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Oxford-AQA-GCSE-History-Elizabethan/dp/0198422938/ref=pd_bxqy_img_d_sccl_1/258-7488222-4256529?pd_rd_w=suhHz&content-id=amzn1.sym.40f919ed-e530-4b1a-8d7e-39de6587208d&pf_rd_r=40f919ed-e530-4b1a-8d7e-39de6587208d&pf_rd_r=GJFZDE351MAB612E4FNQ&pd_rd_wg=sSBHM&pd_rd_r=a0937b67-9a94-4724-a997-be4a1a4244ab&pd_rd_i=0198422938&psc=1)
- 4) AQA GCSE HISTORY HEALTH 1000-PRESENT RG [https://www.amazon.co.uk/Oxford-AQA-GCSE-History-c1000-Present/dp/0198422954/ref=pd\\_bxqy\\_img\\_d\\_sccl\\_2/258-7488222-4256529?pd\\_rd\\_w=9bCMx&content-id=amzn1.sym.40f919ed-e530-4b1a-8d7e-39de6587208d&pf\\_rd\\_r=40f919ed-e530-4b1a-8d7e-39de6587208d&pf\\_rd\\_r=8XR6WSQ358K2FY8S81N1&pd\\_rd\\_wg=xvych&pd\\_rd\\_r=2fcb-c043-dc05-4db5-a95c-6ba50f0111c7&pd\\_rd\\_i=0198422954&psc=1](https://www.amazon.co.uk/Oxford-AQA-GCSE-History-c1000-Present/dp/0198422954/ref=pd_bxqy_img_d_sccl_2/258-7488222-4256529?pd_rd_w=9bCMx&content-id=amzn1.sym.40f919ed-e530-4b1a-8d7e-39de6587208d&pf_rd_r=40f919ed-e530-4b1a-8d7e-39de6587208d&pf_rd_r=8XR6WSQ358K2FY8S81N1&pd_rd_wg=xvych&pd_rd_r=2fcb-c043-dc05-4db5-a95c-6ba50f0111c7&pd_rd_i=0198422954&psc=1)

| Week beginning                      | Topic  | Area to cover  | Revised? (tick) | Knowledge test score | Weeks left |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|-----------------|----------------------|------------|
| January                             |  |  |                 |                      |            |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>              | America, 1920–1973: Opportunity and inequality (Paper 1) | The ‘Boom’: benefits, advertising and the consumer society; hire purchase; mass production, including Ford and the motor industry; inequalities of wealth; Republican government policies; stock market boom.  |                 |                      | 20         |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>             |  | Divided society: organised crime, prohibition; the causes of racial tension, the experiences of immigrants and the impact of immigration; the Ku Klux Klan; Red Scare and Sacco and Vanzetti case.   |                 |                      | 19         |
| Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>             |  | Social and cultural developments: entertainment, including cinema and jazz; the position of women in society, including flappers.  |                 |                      | 18         |
| Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>             |  | ‘Bust’: American society during the Depression: unemployment; farmers; businessmen; Hoover’s responses and unpopularity; Roosevelt's election as president. The effectiveness of the New Deal on different groups in society: successes and limitations including opposition; Roosevelt's contribution as president; 1930s popular culture.  |                 |                      | 17         |
| February                            |  |  |                 |                      |            |
| Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>              | America, 1920–1973: Opportunity and inequality (Paper 1) | The impact of the Second World War: America’s economic recovery; social developments, including experiences of African-Americans and women.  |                 |                      | 16         |
| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>             |  | Post-war American society and economy: consumerism and affluence; the American Dream; McCarthyism; popular culture, including Rock and Roll and television.  |                 |                      | 15         |
| Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> (Half term) |  | Racial tension and developments in the Civil Rights campaigns in the 1950s and 1960s: Segregation laws; Martin Luther King and peaceful protests; Malcolm X and the Black Power Movement; Civil Rights Acts of 1964 and 1968.  |                 |                      | 14         |
| Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>             |  | America and the ‘Great Society’: the social policies of Presidents Kennedy and Johnson; the development and impact of feminist movements in the 1960s and early 1970s.   |                 |                      | 13         |
| March                               |  |  |                 |                      |            |
| Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>              | Conflict and tension in Asia, 1950–1975 (Paper 1)        | The causes of the Korean War; reasons why the North invaded the South; US and the UN responses.<br>The development of the Korean War: the UN campaign in South and North Korea; Inchon landings and recapture of South Korea; UN forces advance into North Korea; reaction of China and intervention of Chinese troops October 1950; the sacking of MacArthur.<br>The end of the Korean War: military stalemate around the 38th Parallel; peace talks and the armistice; impact of the Korean War for Korea, the UN and Sino-American relations. |                 |                      | 12         |
| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>             |  | Escalation of conflict in Vietnam: The end of French colonial rule: Dien Bien Phu and its consequences; Geneva Agreement, 1954; civil war in South Vietnam; opposition to Diem; the Vietcong – aims, support, leadership and guerrilla tactics and Ho Chi Minh.<br>The US involvement: the Domino Theory; intervention under Eisenhower and Kennedy; Strategic Hamlets programme.  |                 |                      | 11         |
| Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>             |  | Johnson’s War: the Gulf of Tonkin; the US response to Vietcong tactics; the mass bombing campaign; demands for peace and growing student protests in the USA; My Lai and its public impact; Search and Destroy tactics and impact; the Tet Offensive and its consequences for the war.   |                 |                      | 10         |
| Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>             |  | The ending of conflict in Vietnam: Nixon’s War: Vietnamisation; chemical warfare; bombing campaign of 1970–1972; relations with China; widening of the war into Laos and Cambodia. Opposition to war: Kent State University; the importance of the media and TV in influencing public opinion; the context of the Watergate affair.<br>The end of the war: the Paris Peace talks; the role of Kissinger; the US withdrawal; fall of Saigon; the price of conflict; problems of Vietnam in 1975.  |                 |                      | 9          |
| April                               |  |  |                 |                      |            |

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| Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>  | Elizabethan England c.1568-1603 (Paper 2)                 | Government in Elizabethan England including: Elizabeth I and her court: background and character of Elizabeth I; court life, including patronage; key ministers. The difficulties of a female ruler: relations with Parliament. The problem of marriage and the succession; the strength of Elizabeth’s authority at the end of her reign, including Essex’s rebellion in 1601.  |  |  | 8 |
| Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> (Easter Holidays)   |   | Life in Elizabethan times - A ‘Golden Age’: living standards and fashions; growing prosperity and the rise of the gentry; the Elizabethan theatre and its achievements; attitudes to the theatre. The poor: reasons for the increase in poverty; attitudes and responses to poverty; the reasons for government action and the seriousness of the problem. English sailors: Hawkins and Drake; circumnavigation 1577–1580, voyages and trade; the role of Raleigh.   |  |  | 7 |
| Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> (Easter Holidays)  |   | Troubles at home and abroad: Religious matters: the question of religion, English Catholicism and Protestantism; the Northern Rebellion; Elizabeth's excommunication; the missionaries; Catholic plots and the threat to the Elizabethan settlement; the nature and ideas of the Puritans and Puritanism; Elizabeth and her government's responses and policies towards religious matters. Mary Queen of Scots: background; Elizabeth and Parliament’s treatment of Mary; the challenge posed by Mary; plots; execution and its impact.  |  |  | 8 |
| Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>  |   | The Historic Environment – Hardwick Hall<br>This includes: Bess’s life; reasons for building; the design and Renaissance fashions; key features/ rooms/ furniture; what is shown about Elizabethan society   |  |  | 5 |
| Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>  | Health and the people:                                    | Medicine stands still (Medieval medicine): approaches including natural, supernatural, ideas of Hippocratic and Galenic methods and treatments; the medieval doctor; training, beliefs about illness. Medical progress: the contribution of Christianity to medical progress and treatment; hospitals; the nature and importance of Islamic medicine and surgery; surgery in medieval times, ideas and techniques. Public health in the Middle Ages: towns and monasteries; the Black Death in Britain, beliefs about its causes, treatment and prevention.  |  |  | 4 |
| May  |   |  |  |  |   |
| Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>   | Health and the people: c1000 to the present day (Paper 2) | <i>The beginnings of change:</i> The impact of the Renaissance on Britain: challenge to medical authority in anatomy, physiology and surgery; the work of Vesalius, Paré, William Harvey; opposition to change. Dealing with disease: traditional and new methods of treatments; quackery; methods of treating disease; plague; the growth of hospitals; changes to the training and status of surgeons and physicians; the work of John Hunter. Prevention of disease: inoculation; Edward Jenner, vaccination and opposition to change.  |  |  | 3 |
| Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>  |   | PAPER 1 HISTORY EXAM Friday 16TH MAY AM  |  |  |   |
| Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>  |   | <i>A revolution in medicine:</i> The development of Germ Theory and its impact; Pasteur, Robert Koch and microbe hunting; Pasteur and vaccination; Paul Ehrlich and magic bullets; everyday medical treatments and remedies. A revolution in surgery: anaesthetics, including Simpson and chloroform; antiseptics, including Lister and carbolic acid; surgical procedures; aseptic surgery. Improvements in public health: public health problems in industrial Britain; cholera epidemics; the role of public health reformers; local and national government involvement in public health improvement, including the 1848 and 1875 Public Health Acts.  |  |  | 2 |
| Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>  |   | <i>Modern medicine:</i> Modern treatment of disease: the development of the pharmaceutical industry; penicillin, its discovery by Fleming, its development; new diseases and treatments, antibiotic resistance; alternative treatments. The impact of war and technology on surgery: plastic surgery; blood transfusions; X-rays; transplant surgery; modern surgical methods, including lasers, radiation therapy and keyhole surgery. Modern public health: the importance of Booth, Rowntree, and the Boer War; the Liberal social reforms; the impact of two world wars on public health, poverty and housing; the Beveridge Report and the Welfare State; creation and development of the National Health Service; costs, choices and the issues of healthcare in the 21st century. |  |  | 1 |
| June   |   |  |  |  |   |
| Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>   |   | PAPER 2 HISTORY EXAM Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> JUNE AM  |  |  |   |
| Exams: Paper 1 Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May AM      Paper 2 Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June AM      Well done – you did it! |   |  |  |  |   |

