

## History

Pre-Course Task

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Tasks	Resources
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Download a copy of the OCR specification from: <a href="https://ocr.org.uk/qualifications/as-and-a-level/history-a-h105-h505-from-2015/">https://ocr.org.uk/qualifications/as-and-a-level/history-a-h105-h505-from-2015/</a></li> <li>Please read through the specification. Our topics are: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unit Group 1 – Y113, Britain 1930–1997 (Enquiry topic: Churchill 1930–1951)</li> <li>Unit Group 2 – Y223, The Cold War in Europe 1941–1995</li> <li>Unit Group 3 – Y306, Rebellion and Disorder under the Tudors, 1485–1603.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Create a detailed CV for Churchill up to May 1940 – this should be no more than 2 sides of A4. This should include Churchill's views on rearmament and appeasement. Please focus on the significance of Churchill's views and the issues that he would prioritise.</li> <li>Create a timeline of all British Prime Ministers from David Lloyd-George to Tony Blair. Make sure that you include: what party they represented; what general elections they stood in; what their majorities were. Make sure that you pay close attention to your research here as there were periods of coalitions and minority governments!</li> <li>Prepare 1 side of A-4 notes (size 12, Times New Roman) on the Yalta and Potsdam meetings. You should focus on: details regarding the most positive outcomes; details regarding the most negative and divisive issues; details on those issues that were left unresolved.</li> <li>Create a timeline of Tudor monarchs from Henry VII through to Elizabeth – you need to include the dates of their reigns.</li> <li>Your work should be typed and, in a folder, ready for use next year. Be prepared to verbally present your findings within the first week.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Please ensure that you have purchased a text book before classes start. If you believe that you will be in receipt of a bursary, it is essential that you acquire a textbook within the first few weeks of term.</b></p> <p><b>The essential textbooks are:</b> OCR A level History: Britain 1930 – 1997 ISBN: 9781471837296</p> <p>Access to History: The Cold War 1941-95 Fourth Edition 978-1510457898</p> <p><b>You may also wish to purchase a copy of the following textbooks as these cover topics in more detail and will help to support you in developing your knowledge and understanding at a higher level.</b></p> <p><b>If you have not studied the Cold War at GCSE:</b> I would strongly suggest that you read this easily available and accessible textbook: The Cold War: A Very Short Introduction (Very Short Introductions) ISBN-13: 978-0192801784</p> <p>The following textbook will be very useful for the post-WWII British politics course: Access to History: Britain 1951 – 2007 Second Edition ISBN: 9781471839092</p>