



History

Edexcel IGCSE (Course Code: 4HI1)

Description

The IGCSE History course allows students to explore in depth some of the key ideas and events that have shaped the modern world. Students study topics from a range of locations in the 20th century, including France, Germany, the US and China. During the course, students develop their understanding of the wide diversity of human experience, engaging in historical enquiry to develop as independent learners and critical thinkers. History students develop the ability to ask reflective questions about the past and to make valid historical claims by using a range of sources in their historical context.

The skills developed in the IGCSE History course are highly applicable to future studies as students learn to organise and communicate knowledge in different ways. Students strengthen their ability to approach issues from multiple perspectives and develop substantiated conclusions. History is a useful qualification for many careers, including education, law, journalism, politics, civil service, international relations, charity work, banking and many more.

Assessment Breakdown

The Pearson Edexcel International GCSE in History consists of two mandatory examination papers. It is a linear qualification and all papers must be taken at the end of the course of study. There is no coursework.

Component 1	Paper 1: Depth Study 1	Candidates have 45 minutes to answer three questions on the topic Germany: development of dictatorship, 1918-45.	25%
Component 2	Paper 1: Depth Study 2	Candidates have 45 minutes to answer three questions on the topic A divided union: civil rights in the USA, 1945-74.	25%
Component 3	Paper 2: Historical Investigation	Candidates have 45 minutes to answer three questions on the topic The origins and course of the First World War, 1905-18.	25%
Component 4	Paper 2: Breadth Study	Candidates have 45 minutes to answer three questions on the topic China: conflict, crisis and change, 1900-89.	25%



Course Outline

Year	Michaelmas Term	Lent Term	Trinity Term
9	The origins and course of the First World War, 1905-18	The origins and course of the First World War, 1905-18	Germany: development of dictatorship, 1918-45
10	Germany: development of dictatorship, 1918-45	A divided union: civil rights in the USA, 1945-74	A divided union: civil rights in the USA, 1945-74
11	China: conflict, crisis and change, 1900-89	China: conflict, crisis and change, 1900-89	Revision and final exam preparation