



GCSE

History

The Brunts Academy

Key Features of the Course:

This course gives students opportunities to:

- Develop their knowledge and understanding of key historical periods and events through an examination of interpretations and sources.
- Improve key transferable skills such as the ability to evaluate different opinions, analysis of evidence and written and verbal communication.
- Develop life skills such as problem solving, team work and communication skills, both written and verbal.
- Develop a sense of how the modern world has been shaped by events of the past.
- Understand how events can have a variety of different consequences
- Understand how events can be interconnected.
- Understand how historical events can be linked to modern day themes, events and changes.

What type of student is this suitable for?

This course would be suitable for students who are interested by the way the world of today has been shaped by the world of the past. They will be someone seeking to understand why events happened and how they relate to society today and their own lives, and how they could shape our future as a result. They will have to undertake independent study outside of the classroom, and must be able to demonstrate these skills already.

What could this course lead on to?

The ultimate aim of this course is to prepare students for employment or further study at A Level. The many transferrable skills that are on offer is ideal preparation for careers in Research, Historical Sites, Journalism, TV/Media, as well as connected fields such as the Civil Service and Teaching.

CRIME AND PUNISHMENT (25%)

An exploration of how the types of crime and the ways they have been dealt with have changed since 1066 until modern day. There is also a historical environment section which focuses on Whitechapel during the time of Jack the Ripper.

**Paper 1: Written exam
(1 hour 15 minutes)**

GERMANY 1919-1939 (25%)

A study into Germany between the two World Wars. The course starts by focusing on German recovery after World War One and the struggles of Weimar Germany. We then examine how Hitler first gains and then maintains control until the start of World War Two.

**Paper 3: Written exam
(1 hour 20 minutes)**

ELIZABETHAN ENGLAND 1558-1588 (25%)

An investigation into the various challenges and obstacles faced by Elizabeth I. We also examine the way society changed during what many believe was a "Golden Age" before concluding with the exploration of the New World.

**Paper 2: [Part 1] Written exam
(1 hour 45 minutes)**

SUPERPOWER RELATIONS (25%)

This topic examines the way relationships between the USA and USSR break down after World War Two. We explore a series of flashpoints between the two that nearly lead to war before investigating how the Cold War ends

**Paper 2: [Part 2] Written Exam
(1 hour 45 minutes)**

Course Details: Pearson History (9-1 GCSE)

Website: [https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/GCSE/History/2016/specification-and-sample-assessments/GCSE_History_\(9-1\)_Specification_Issue_2.pdf](https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/GCSE/History/2016/specification-and-sample-assessments/GCSE_History_(9-1)_Specification_Issue_2.pdf)

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