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| Course name: GCSE History |
| Which course/ syllabus will I be following? Edexcel  |
| ReasonGCSE History helps students make sense of the world we live in today by focusing on the key events, issues and people that have helped shape this world.  **Thematic study and historic environment*** Medicine in Britain,1250 to the present day
* The British sector of the Western Front, 1914-1918: injuries, treatment and the trenches

**Period study and British depth study*** Early Elizabethan England, 1558-1588
* Superpower relations and the Cold War, 1941-1991

**Modern depth study*** Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918-1939

GCSE History equips students with transferable and employable skills, such as gathering and analysing data; evaluating and analysing sources and interpretations; formulating arguments; reaching judgements and communicating clearly. |
| How is the course assessed?GCSE History is externally assessed in three exams at the end of Year 11:* Exam Paper 1: Thematic study and historic environment-30% of the GCSE-1 hour 15 minutes
* Exam Paper 2: Period study and British depth study-40% of the GCSE-1 hour 45 minutes
* Exam Paper 3: Modern depth study-30% of the GCSE-1 hour 20 minutes

GCSE History assesses the following in the exams in questions which range from 4 marks to 20 marks:* Knowledge and understanding (35%)
* The ability to explain and analyse (35%)
* The ability to analyse, evaluate and make judgements about sources/interpretations (30%)
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| Which careers/ post 16 courses will this course help me to prepare for?Describe the pathways and progression routes for this course.History is relevant to a variety of careers, including Law, Journalism, TV and Radio, Politics and Local Government. Those considering a career in medicine or science may find the thematic study of particular interest. |

