

Happy New Year! Welcome to the first Year 10 newsletter from the History department. We would like to keep you as up to date with what is going on as possible. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Specification details

We are studying Edexcel History The 4 topics we study are:

- Medicine in Britain, c1250–present and The British sector of the Western Front, 1914–18: injuries, treatment and the trenches.
- Superpower relations and the Cold War, 1941–91.
- Weimar and Nazi Germany, 1918–39.
- Early Elizabethan England 1558-88

The specification can be found:

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcse/history-2016.html>

What are we doing in lessons?

- We are about to begin the Medicine in Britain section of the course.

Focus topic: The Cold War

Below is a list of the key topics and events in the Cold War Specification.

<p><u>Early tension between East and West</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conferences • ideological differences • Atomic Bomb • Long and Novikov telegrams • Soviet satellite states 	<p><u>The development of the Cold War</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Truman Doctrine • Marshall Plan • Cominform • Comecon • NATO • Berlin Crisis 	<p><u>The Cold War intensifies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arms race • Warsaw Pact • Hungarian Uprising
<p><u>Increased tension between East and West</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Berlin ultimatum • Summit meetings • Cuban Revolution • Bay of Pigs • Prague Spring 	<p><u>Cold War crises</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Berlin Wall • Cuban Missile Crisis. • Brezhnev Doctrine 	<p><u>Reaction to crisis</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kennedy's visit to West Berlin • Limited Test Ban Treaty
<p><u>Attempts to reduce tension between East and West</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SALT 1 • Helsinki • SALT 2 • Gorbachev's 'new thinking' • INF treaty 	<p><u>Flashpoints</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invasion of Afghanistan • the Carter Doctrine • Olympic boycotts. • Reagan and the 'Second Cold War', SDI 	<p><u>The collapse of Soviet control of Eastern Europe</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • loosening Soviet grip on Eastern Europe. • Fall of the Berlin Wall • End of the Warsaw Pact.

Common mistakes from the last assessment:

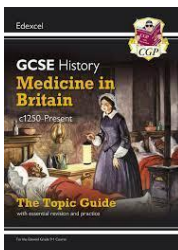
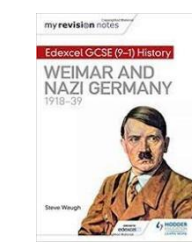
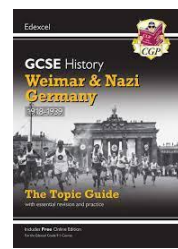
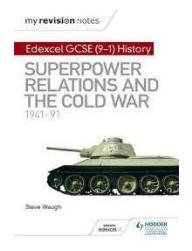
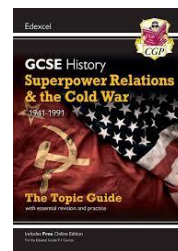
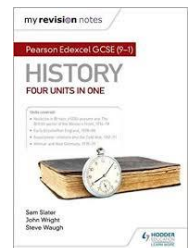
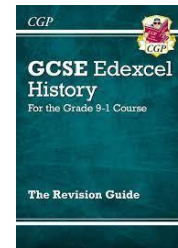
1. Misreading the conceptual focus on the question – use the HUG method to fix this common issue.
2. Writing in the wrong structure for the question e.g. 8 marks = 2 paragraphs.
3. Gaps in revision – revise topics in depth rather than a brief overview.

What can the GCSE Historians be doing at home?

- Create case study flashcards of specific time periods, individuals or events.
- Match a detailed mind map of specific events.
- Make a timeline to understand the chronology of events to help with linking in exam questions.
- Seneca Learning <https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>

Revision Guides

GCSE History Edexcel Revision Guide - For the Grade 9-1 Course



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