



# GCSE History Parent Newsletter

As we approach the end of the Advent term, year 9 History students are making good progress within their GCSE course. Please see below and overleaf for important news and updates.

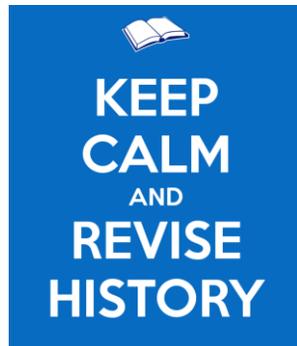
## Vietnam and JFK

Students are now coming to the end of their introductory Vietnam and JFK topics. The next unit of work students will complete is raw exam content and the first unit we are completing is the Entertainment and Leisure topic.

Now that students are moving onto raw exam content, it is more important than ever that they display an excellent ATL in all History lessons. Work completed from now onwards will be examined in year 11. Please encourage students to use their revision guides at home to embed knowledge covered in class.

## Homework

If students are not set a specific homework task, they are expected to be revising regularly at home!



## Useful revision website:

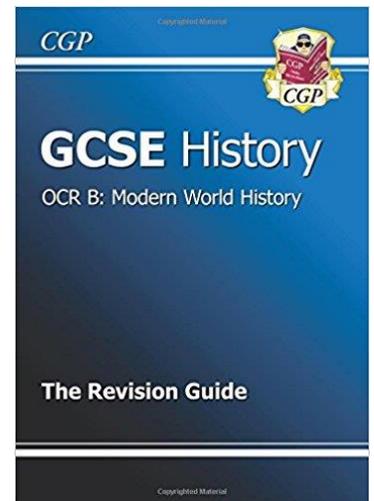
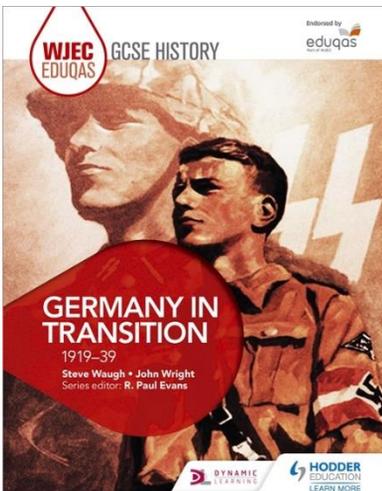
[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebite\\_size/history/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/gcsebite_size/history/)

Search for the four topics studied.

*Revision guides are on sale for each unit of work priced at just £1.00 each. See your History teacher for more information!*

## Extra reading...

If you wish to purchase other books linked to GCSE History, these may be useful...





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## What is your child preparing for?

Your child is following the EDUQAS GCSE exam board.

Students will be taught four topics and sit four exams at the end of year 11:

	Paper 1 Depth study: <b>America in Contrast, 1910-1929</b>	Paper 2 Thematic study: <b>Entertainment and Leisure in Britain, c.500- present day</b>	Paper 3 Depth study: <b>Empire, War and Reform: Britain, 1890- 1918</b>	Paper 4 Breadth study: <b>The Development of Germany, 1919-1991</b>
Content covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Causes of the Wall Street Crash</li> <li>Prohibition and gangsters</li> <li>The KKK and racism</li> <li>The roaring 20's</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of entertainment from medieval times to the present day</li> <li>Development in sports and leisure from medieval times to the present day</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Second Boer War</li> <li>Social and political developments; The Suffrage Movement</li> <li>WWI and the British Homefront</li> <li>The British Empire</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hitler's rise to power</li> <li>WWII</li> <li>The division of Germany</li> <li>The Cold War</li> <li>The fall of the Berlin Wall</li> </ul>
Time allocated	1 hour	1 hour 15	1 hour	45 minutes
Percentage of grade	25%	25%	25%	25%

## What questions could you ask at home to help with revision?

- Why did spectator sport develop between 1850-1900?
- What kind of sports were played during the Medieval era?
- How did Victorian children entertain themselves?
- Which main forms of children's entertainment were popular after 1900?
- How did theatre develop during Elizabethan times?

## Need extra help?

Speak to your History teacher and they will offer extra help and guidance.

## Extra Curricular:

The History department are excited to announce details of the 2018 trip to the WWI Battlefields. This is an excellent opportunity for students to gain a thorough understanding of WWI, through visiting sites such as Ypres and the Somme and experiencing first-hand the events and warfare of the First World War. Students will travel via coach from school on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2018 and will return back to school on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

