

Transition Pack

A Level

History

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Y12 History

It would be useful if you could familiarise yourself already with your A-level history units over the summer. Below are some suggestions what you can do at home.

Paper 1: Britain transformed, 1918 - 1997



The aim of this unit is to gain a comprehensive knowledge of Britain, from 1918 - 1997, by focusing on the key themes of welfare, politics and economy, race and gender, and popular culture. A key part of this unit is a focus on differing interpretations of Margaret Thatcher and her government's impact on Britain from 1979 - 1997.

The course contains a vast amount of information, to help prepare for this, below are several tasks for you to complete over the summer holidays. The completion of these tasks are essential for you to prepare for the course.

You will need to log onto Moodle to gather information for your transition tasks. **Moodle** is our primary method of sharing resources with you and is constantly amended by the course teachers. **You should be logging onto Moodle regularly to revise, enrich and imbed your knowledge of the course.** You will need a log in for access to Moodle (contact technical support if you have any problems with this).

To access all course materials on Moodle: Go to the School's Portal> Click on the Moodle App> Log in with your school username and password> Go to History; KS5> scroll to Year 12; Britain Transformed, 1918-1997(Paper 1 NEW)

Transition Tasks:

Task 1 - Attached is a grid that includes all the Prime Ministers you will study this year. Using Moodle, your own research and Andrew Marr's Documentaries, **please complete the grid by providing one piece of information for the following topics; Economic Policies, Industrial Relations, Political Changes and Living Standards, for each Prime Minister.** This task has been designed to help you understand the changes that occur during the time period studied and to provide you with a stepping stone from GCSE to A Level. Therefore it is essential that the grid is completed over the summer and brought to your first lesson. An electronic copy of this booklet and worksheet can be found on Moodle.

Task 2 - To prepare for September, **you should watch episode 4 Andrew Marr's series 'The Making of Modern Britain'**. This can be found on Youtube. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qIKg9Rb_LLO Whilst watching the episode, make notes on the changes occurring in Britain throughout the documentary. Please bring your notes with you to the first lesson, along with one piece of information that shocked you from the documentary.

Paper 2: The USA, c1920-55: boom, bust and recovery



The aim of this unit is to gain in-depth knowledge of economic and social changes in the USA from the boom of the 1920s, through depression in the 1930s, war and recovery in the 1940s and early 1950s.

Below are 6 brief tasks we would like you to focus on over the summer break to familiarise yourself with American politics and the issues raised in this paper:

- 1) Create a timeline of key events in USA history from 1919 until 1955
- 2) Watch the documentary *The Century: America's Time 1920-29: Boom to Bust* (1999). This documentary can be found on YouTube and/or the school's VLE Moodle (KS5/History/ The USA, c1920-55: boom, bust and recovery (Paper 2)). Make some brief notes on the changes that happened in the 1920s with regards to: technology; consumerism; media; black Americans and women. How would you describe the 1920s in one word?
- 3) Fill in the attached grid of the following American presidents: Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, Hoover, Roosevelt, Truman and Eisenhower. Provide a brief biography of each president and one piece of information for each president on policies towards 1) Black Americans, 2) economy, and 3) women.
- 4) Find and file a map of the United States of America showing each of the states. Ensure that it outlines the divide between northern and southern states.
- 5) Research the main American political parties, i.e. Democratic Party and Republican Party. What were their main viewpoints and supporters in 1920s and 1940/50s?
- 6) Create a diagram of USA's federal system: what are the different branches in the federal government? What are the different branches in the state governments? Provide a definition of federalism and explain how this applies to the United States.

In addition, you can optionally watch one (or more) of following films to familiarise yourself with some of the issues that will be covered in the course:

The Great Gatsby; *The Untouchables*; *To Kill a Mockingbird*; *The Tuskegee Airmen*; *42*; *Good Night, and Good Luck*; *Saving Private Ryan*

Some of the websites you can consult for your research are:

List of US presidents: <http://www.ipl.org/div/potus/>

Spartacus Educational: <http://spartacus-educational.com/USA.htm>

American history lessons: <http://www.socialstudieshelp.com/sitemap2.html>

1950s history: www.shmoop.com/1950s/society.html

America 1919-41: <http://www.johndclare.net/America1.htm>

USA history for students: <https://www.historyonthenet.com/authentichistory/>

Paper 1: BRITAIN TRANSFORMED 1918-90: COURSE OVERVIEW

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*By the end of the course this will give you a good overview to help with your revision. This is essential preparation to give an overview of the time period and changes of the various governments you will be studying during the course. Please provide at least one piece of information for each box. **Moodle** is our primary method of sharing resources with you and is constantly amended by the course teachers. **You should be logging onto Moodle regularly to revise, enrich and imbed your knowledge of the course.** For a variety of sources, documentaries and recommended reading to help you with this task and get ahead, use **Moodle**, in particular the **TEACHER'S CHOICE** resources.*

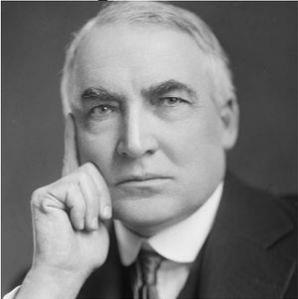
Government	Economic Policies	Industrial Relations	Political Changes	Living Standards
Lloyd George (Liberal) 1918-22				
Bonar Law and MacDonald (Conservatives) 1922-24				
Baldwin 1924-29 (Labour)				

MacDonald 1929-31				
The National Government 1931-9				
Chamberlain (1937-39)				
Churchill 1939-45				

Attlee 1945-51 (Labour)				
Churchill 1951-55 (Conservative)				
Eden 1955-57 (Conservative)				
Macmillan 1957-63 (Conservative)				

Wilson 1964-70 (Labour)				
Heath 1970-74 (Conservative)				
Wilson 1974-76 (Labour)				
Callaghan 1976-79 (Labour)				

Paper 2: US Presidents - biographies and key policies

Presidents	Dates in office/ Political Party	Biography	Key policies
<p>Wilson, Woodrow</p> 			<p>Black Americans:</p> <hr/> <p>Economy:</p> <hr/> <p>Women:</p>
<p>Harding, Warren</p> 			<p>Black Americans:</p> <hr/> <p>Economy:</p> <hr/> <p>Women:</p>
<p>Coolidge, Calvin</p> 			<p>Black Americans:</p> <hr/> <p>Economy:</p> <hr/> <p>Women:</p>

Hoover, Herbert

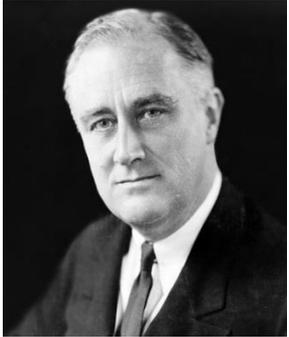


Black Americans:

Economy:

Women:

Roosevelt, Franklin D.

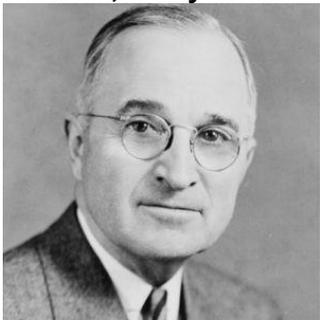


Black Americans:

Economy:

Women:

Truman, Harry



Black Americans:

Economy:

Women:

Eisenhower, Dwight



Black Americans:

Economy:

Women: