



SUPER CURRICULUM

Years 7 to 8



Reading



- The Boy with the Bronze Axe by Kathleen Fiddler
- Warrior Scarlet by Rosemary Sutcliff
- The Eagle of the Ninth by Rosemary Sutcliff
- The Queen's Brooch by Henry Treece
- Song for a Dark Queen by Rosemary Sutcliff
- The Shield Ring by Rosemary Sutcliffe
- Warriors of Alvna by N.M. Browne
- Power and Stone by Alice Leader

Watching



- Timelines.TV 5-25 minute episodes on a variety of topics (originally made for BBC TV)

Listening



- 'Witness History' 10 minute Podcasts on modern History from BBC World Service
- 'Homeschool History'-series of 15 minute BBC podcasts originally released during Lockdown presented by Greg Jenner, one of writers of TV's 'Horrible Histories'
- Rest is History – episodes on a whole range of topics
- The Real Dictators

Doing



- Historical Association creative writing competition
- Quiz Club
- Attend History Society
- Join the WWI battlefields trip to honour the Fallen Swans



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GCSE (Years 9 to 11)



Reading



- GSCE History Hindsight Magazine
- BBC 'History Revealed' Magazine
- Blood and Guts: A short history of medicine by Roy Porter – Overview of unit
- The Greatest benefit to mankind by Roy Porter – Overview of the unit
- The Butchering Art by Lindsey Fitzharris -Joseph Lister and Antiseptic
- William Bynum, A Very Short Introduction to the History of Medicine ('A Very Short Introduction to..' series).
- Great Gatsby
- Grapes of Wrath & Of Mice and Men

Watching



- CNN.com/coldwar - brilliant digitally remastered classic CNN series narrated by Kenneth Branagh. A must watch
- Thirteen Days – film on Cuban missile crisis
- Bridge of Spies – film on U2 spy plane crisis
- Space Race – BBC docudrama on...
- The Nazis: A Warning from History, Laurence Rees
- Blood and Guts, a History of Surgery (YouTube)
- *Filthy cities Medieval London: Dan Snow
- Pus, pain and poison documentary (YouTube)
- Breaking the Mould, telling the story of penicillin (BBC)
- Quacks (YouTube)
- The Great Gatsby – book & film
- To Kill a Mockingbird – book & film
- The Grapes of Wrath & Of Mice and Men – books and films
- The Color Purple
- It's a Wonderful Life

Listening



- 'Witness History' 10 minute Podcasts on Modern History from BBC World Service
- Versus History features History teachers debating historical arguments. It's aimed at A Level as well as GCSE, so stretch yourself! There are episodes on all sorts of topics.
- History Rocks. 15 minute podcasts on the Cold War. A Level focused but still great to challenge yourself and build-up in-depth knowledge.
- GCSE History Revision Podcast (has an image of Nixon looking grumpy: scroll through their back catalogue for Cold War and Germany.
- Sawbones: various topics about medical history, in-depth knowledge but very accessible and genuinely funny! Scroll through their back catalogue and find their earlier episodes which cover topics we cover: cholera, plague, four humours, antibiotics.
- A History of the United States by Professor Peter Fearon. Produced by Simon Brown. A collection of podcasts that very useful for the whole topic.
- Rest is History
- Real Dictators

Doing



- Attend the History Society!
- Complete past exam questions
- Watch, read and listen
- Quiz club
- Join the WWI battlefields trip to honour the Fallen Swans



SUPER CURRICULUM

A Level (Sixth Form)



Reading



- Iron Kingdom, Christopher Clark
- Wilhelm II, Christopher Clark
- Bismarck, Jonathan Steinberg
- Coming of the Third Reich, Third Reich in Power, Third Reich at War, all by Richard Evans
- Hubris, Nemesis, The Hitler Myth, The End all by Ian Kerhsaw
- The Tudor Revolution in Government, England under the Tudors both by Geoffrey Elton
- Tudor England, The Tudors: a very short introduction both by John Guy
- The Six Wives of Henry VIII, Elizabeth: the struggle for the throne both by David Starkey
- A People's Tragedy, Revolutionary Russia both by Orlando Figes
- The Russian Revolution & Russia under the Bolshevik Regime both by Richard Pipes
- The Russian Revolution & Everyday Stalinism both by Sheila Fitzpatrick
- Lenin: a biography & Stalin: a biography both by Robert Service
- The Romanovs & Stalin: the court of the red Tsar both by Simon Sebag Montefiore

Watching



- David Starkey – Monarchy series
- Simon Schama
- History of Britain
- 'Wolf Hall', TV series based on the books by Hilary Mantel
- 'A Man for all Seasons' film (the 1966 Oscar winning version starring Paul Scofield)
- 'Downfall' film.
- Jojo Rabbit
- Babylon Berlin
- The Nazis: A Warning from History, Laurence Rees
- Auschwitz, Laurence Rees
- Nicholas & Alexandra
- Reds
- The Death of Stalin
- Battleship Potemkin
- Child 44
- Russia 1917: Countdown to Revolution
- Empire of the Tsars: Romanov Russia with Lucy Worsley

Listening



- The Rest is History
- The Real Dictators
- 'Witness History' BBC
- 'History Hour' BBC
- World Service Podcasts
- Not Just the Tudors, Suzannah Lipscomb
- In Our Time
- Talking Tudors
- Tudor History with Claire Ridgway
- The History Podcast
- History Hit, Dan Snow

Doing



- Julia Wood History Prize- Launches early 2021-Year 12
- Vellacott History Prize- Launches February 2021- Year 12 History
- John Locke Society Essay competition
- Attend the History Society!
- Quiz Club