

# GCSE History A: Schools History Project

Our History A specification builds upon the successful and popular Schools History Project approach which looks at history in a number of different ways. Your learners will also be able to put real history into context through investigating a local historical site.

## Benefits to you and your learners

- A varied approach to teaching and learning History, including in-depth study of a specific period
- An opportunity to study a historical site in your local area, helping learners become actively involved in history on their doorstep
- Source materials for examination questions are in full colour, making it easier for learners to understand and answer them
  - Easier progression to A Level History our A Level History B specification follows similar patterns to the GCSE History A course and builds on the analytical way of thinking that learners develop at GCSE level





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#### **Course details**

#### **Full course**

Unit	Assessment Type	Duration	Weighting
Unit A951: Study in Development and Study in Depth	Written examination	2 hours	45%
Unit A952: Historical Source Investigation	Written examination	1 hour 30 minutes	30%
Unit A953: History Around Us OR Modern World History	Controlled assessment	_	25%

#### What is controlled assessment?

Controlled assessment is coursework in a supervised environment and it replaced traditional coursework from September 2009. This has been introduced by QCDA to address some of the issues raised in coursework reviews, such as plagiarism.

# Also available for teaching – GCSE History B – Modern World

Focusing on the turbulent history of the twentieth century – its key events, people and changes – learners will examine a variety of topics, from cultural diversity to political development, on national and global levels.

## **Support and training**

We have consulted with teachers to develop a range of support materials to help you deliver our GCSE History specifications.

#### Including:

- Specimen Assessment Materials
- Sample Schemes of Work and Lesson Plans
- e-community
- INSET training (full day course)
- Teacher's Handbook
- Guide to Controlled Assessment
- The Controlled Assessment Consultancy Service is a new email based service, managed by our experienced Consultants who can provide guidance on elements of controlled assessment.
- Endorsed publisher materials from Heinemann



Download the specification and available support materials at