

Subject	Qualification	Examination Board
History	A Level	AQA
Additional Information:		

Task Overview:

For 'The American Dream: Reality and Illusion 1945-80'

First and foremost, please buy a copy of this textbook ready for lesson 1: Oxford AQA History for A Level: The American Dream: Reality and Illusion 1945-1980 Paperback - 1 Oct 2015 by Mark Stacey (Author), Sally Waller (Series Editor) ISBN-10: 019835455X

We will be using this textbook in the majority of our lessons, so it is imperative you order it in enough time for the start of term.

1. Research and complete a Presidential timeline to include FDR, Truman, Eisenhower, JFK, LBJ, Nixon, Ford and Carter. Your timeline should include the following:
 - The dates and political party of each President
 - A comment on their background and character/popularity
 - A minimum of four key events from their Presidency. For an extra challenge, think about how you can colour code your events into different categories to show themes across the timeline, e.g. Civil Rights, economy etc.)
2. Research the US political system and produce an annotated diagram to show the key components and how these relate to one another.
3. Watch the documentary series 'Eyes on the Prize', episodes 1-5. Make notes on each of the key events that are covered, and think about the success of each. All episodes are available on YouTube here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ts10IVzUDVw&t=42s>
4. Use the following playlist on Youtube to research the beginning of the Cold War. Episode 1 is mandatory, and anything up to episode 5 is desirable - particularly if the Cold War is going to be completely new to you.
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLyGA1_PUbd9dbrhm9h7a_ZCMna4j7GsZC

For 'The Tudors: England, 1485-1603'

Please complete the below tasks. I have also attached reading to help you complete these tasks.

Alongside the America textbook, please purchase a copy of the following book: Oxford AQA History for A Level: The Tudors: England 1485-1603 Paperback - 3 Sep 2015 by Michael Tillbrook (Author), Sally Waller (Series Editor) ISBN-10: 0198354606

1. Produce one A4 page of relevant and interesting information on each of the 4 Tudor monarchs. You may want to focus around the following areas: Social structures & society, the economy, religion and politics. Your information pages should include visual images and 5-10 bullet points on each monarch (4 pages in total).
2. Write a mini-essay (1.5 pages) to evaluate who you think was the most significant Tudor monarch from your research. Do not panic over this - we are not expecting you to be experts on this topic (yet!). It is more a chance for us to see your writing style for the first time.
3. This is an optional extra... Read and/or watch "Wolf Hall" by Hilary Mantel. Or look up and watch any of the many films on Elizabeth or on the Tudor period - there is so much. Just a short google, scroll through Netflix or flick through a book store will throw up lots of interesting dramas to get stuck in to... just be wary of their historical accuracy!

Success Criteria:

Displaying good research and writing skills.

Resources:

- Eyes on the Prize, 1-5: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ts10IVzUDVw&t=42s>
- Cold War Crash Course, 1-5:
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLygA1_PUbd9dbrhm9h7a_ZCMna4j7GsZC

How will the work produced will fit into subsequent work and the specification as a whole?

This work will form a base level of understanding to allow us to delve deeper into topics from the offset.

How should the work should be presented?

A physical copy of all work should be brought to the first lesson of the academic year.

Who should you contact if you should require further assistance with the work before the end of term?

Please contact Miss Ince, the Head of History and Politics: g.ince@gildredgehouse.org.uk

Length of time expected to complete tasks:

20 hours

Submission Requirements:

What equipment will be needed for the subject?

- Two lever arch folders with dividers
- Notepad and pen
- Aforementioned AQA America and Tudor textbooks

Optional Extension Task/Further Reading