



Subject: History

Vision	
What do we want our young people to gain in our subject? The Billericay School History department aim to explain the world as it is by exploring the world as it was. Understanding is focused on British history but that is then linked to a global context. This will allow our students to think about the world around them and their place within it. We aim to create an intellectual curiosity about the past so that students ask questions of their teachers rather than simply answering those asked of themselves. The students will gain an understanding of the key events that have shaped our country and have developed key skills such as analytical writing and thinking that will equip them for success in education and in life.	
Key Stage	Learning content
Years 7 and 8	Year 7 will be a breadth study of British History from 1066 to the British Empire. Key topics will include: The Norman Conquest 1066, Life in Medieval England, the religious changes in Tudor England, life in Tudor England and Britain's involvement in the Slave Trade. Year 8 will be a breadth study of British History from 1750 to present day. Key topics will include the Industrial Revolution, Crime and Punishment through the ages (with a case study on Jack the Ripper), the Titanic disaster, the causes and key events of World War One, the inter-war period, the causes and key events of World War Two, the Cold War and the assassination of John F. Kennedy.
Years 9, 10 & 11	We follow the AQA specification at GCSE which starts in Year 9. Over the 3 years, the students will study the following units: Paper 1 Section A: Germany 1890-1945 Paper 1 Section B: Conflict and Tension 1918-39 Paper 2 Section A: Health in Britain 1000 to present day Paper 2 Section B: Norman England 1066-1100