

What does

Independent Learning in History

look like?



After Every Lesson

- 1 File all your notes and handouts, ensuring they are organised into the correct unit and topic area.
- 2 Make sure your core notes are completed as well as any related activities.
- 3 Highlight your notes, identifying new keywords, terms and significant factors. Review your notes and add “post-its” next to anything that you don’t understand so that you can search for the answer or ask your teacher next lesson.
- 4 Read the relevant sections in your textbook. Add anything extra or interesting to the notes acquired in class.

Weekly

- Complete your directed learning.
- Organise your notes in chronological order. Make sure your notes are separated into topics by file dividers.
- Record any assessments which you do on your assessment tracker – reflect on your progress and identify areas which you need to work on.
- Read articles about History & our course – from journals, books, magazines and websites.
- Make notes and highlight topics you do not understand.
- Check the relevant information with the textbook / revision guide. If still stuck, make a note to check with the teacher

Fortnightly

Read articles and news stories to gain a deeper understanding and keep up with current events and thinking in the subject. Create & use revision materials such as flashcards and knowledge organisers to prepare for future examinations

Half-Termly

Access the following study booklets: [Russia study booklet.docx](#) [Britain study booklet.docx](#)
After completing a topic, access the revision guides – go back to these to refresh your knowledge and understanding. Do past paper questions under timed conditions and bring to your teacher for feedback or work with a small group and peer assess.

Resources

- [Edexcel A level history website](#)
- [Hodder A level revision guides](#)
- <https://libraryheckgrammar.co.uk/> Visit the library – there is a wide range of relevant history books as well as online resources – such as the History Review.
- Use the HGS produced revision guides for each unit at A level: [A level revision booklets \(1](#)

- Use the past paper grid to access papers and mark schemes: [Updated past paper grids](#)

