

Holly Lodge High School: History 2021-2023

A Level History: The AQA A level specification in History that we study at Holly Lodge is a fascinating and challenging course. It allows you to understand the events that have shaped the world you live in and the people and circumstances that shaped these events. It is not just an account of the past but an investigation of why things happened the way they did. We will be studying an interesting variety of subjects, ranging the period of British dominance on the world stage to the granting of civil rights for African Americans. This intellectually rigorous course is an excellent way for students to develop highly sought after and transferable skills. These include being able to effectively communicate complex ideas, the ability to research, analyse and evaluate information, both orally and in writing, and the capacity to make substantiated judgements, all whilst developing independent work skills. If you have an enquiring mind and enjoy argument this is the subject for you.

A Level UCAS points

Grade	Points
A*	56
Α	48
В	40
C	32
D	24
E	16

- The NEA will be independently researched and written

- Consist of a piece of extended writing of between 3,000 and 3,500 words in length
- Draw upon the student's investigation of sources (both primary and secondary)
- Require you to assess the differing interpretations of the sources and do in depth analysis of provenance

Content covered

- The role played by US Presidents
- Impact of Black Activism
- The actions of Black Leaders

Topic 2: Enforcing the colonial relationship, 1763-1774

Content covered:

- Legislation
- Reaction of colonists

Topic 1: Britain and the American Colonies, 1760-

Content covered:

- 13 Colonies
- Westward expansion

Topic 3: Britain and the American Colonies, 1760-1763

- Content covered:
- Escalation of conflict
- Declaration of independence

Topic 4: The War of Independence, 1776-1784

- Content covered: - Military strength
- Geographic factors
- Diplomacy/foreign relations

Topic 5: Founding the Republic, 1776-1789

What do you do?

Content covered:

- Articles of the Confederation
- Est. the Constitution

Topic 6: Washington and Adams, 1789-1801

Content covered: Powers of the

- Presidency
- Finances

challenged,

1914-1947

NEA Unit -Civil Rights in the USA. **1850 - 1970**

Part Two:

Imperial retreat, 1914 - 1967

YEAR TWO

Topic 4:

Winds of

Change,

1947 - 1967

Part One: The Origins of the **American** Revolution. 1760-1776

Unit 2G-The Birth of the USA, 1760-1801

Part Two:

Establishing the

Nation, 1776-

1801

Content covered:

- Decolonisation in Africa and Asia
- Trade and commerce after WW2
- Nationalist leaders
- Nationalism in the colonies

Content covered: Topic 3: **Imperialism**

- Impact of WW1 and WW2
- Changes in colonial policy
- Imperialism in popular culture
- Growth of Nationalist mov'ts

YEAR ONE

Unit 1J - The **British Empire** c.1857-1967

Part One: The **High Water Mark** of the British Empire, c1857 -1914

Topic 1: The **Development** of Imperialism, c1857-c1890

- Content covered:
- Empire in Africa
- Colonial Policy
- chartered companies
- The Indian Mutiny

Topic 2: Imperial Consolidation and Liberal Rule,

c1890-1914

- Content covered: - Scramble for Africa
 - The British Rai
 - Role of individuals
 - The Boer War

Key assessments:

been interpreted.

periods

appropriate

material

Size and Structure

exam assessment (NEA)

be 2 hours 30 minutes

assessment objectives

Analyse

80% exam assessed and 20% Non-

You will have two exams, which account for 40% each and will both

The NEA will consist of a personal

study, of around 3500 words and

will be marked internally and

Each component consists of three

A01 Demonstrate, organise and

understanding of historic time

A03 Analyse and evaluate ways in

which aspects of the past have

and

primary

evaluate

source

communicate knowledge

moderated by the exam board

Every half term: Formative and summative assessments in lessons.

Mock exam period 1: January

Mock exam period 2: June