

History Year 11 Revision Plan 2025 - 2026

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5 th January 2026	<p>c1000–c1500: Crime and punishment in medieval England</p> <p>The nature of law enforcement and punishment</p> <p>Case Study – the Influence of the church</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The role of the authorities and local communities in law enforcement in Anglo-Saxon, Norman and later medieval England, including tithings, the hue and cry, and the parish constable. The emphasis on deterrence and retribution, the use of fines, corporal and capital punishment. The use and end of the Saxon Wergild. The emphasis on deterrence and retribution, the use of fines, corporal and capital punishment. The use and end of the Saxon Wergild. 	<p>Cold War:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - early tension between East and West - Truman Doctrine & Marshall Plan - Cominform & Comecon - Berlin Crisis, Blockade & Airlift - NATO & Warsaw Pact 	<p>GCSEPod links: https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/10646/65368</p> <p>Revision Book: Superpower relations and the Cold War, 1941-91 Pages 2-13</p> <p>BBC Bitesize: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwbysg8 The Cold War overview, the Cold War origins and the Quiz Podcasts: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcmbmbk/articles/zwmmrmn#zxq8s82 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcmbmbk/articles/zwmmrmn#z67dfdm https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcmbmbk/articles/zwmmrmn#zt2wywx video - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zgb3qyc/watch/z7gvjfr</p>
12 th January 2026	<p>Whitechapel, c1870–c1900: crime and policing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Introduction to historic environment.</i> The local context of Whitechapel. The problems of housing and overcrowding. Attempts to improve housing: the Peabody Estate. Provision for the poor in the Whitechapel workhouses. Links between the environment and crime. Life in 	<p>Anglo-Saxon and Norman England:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Norman invasion - English and Norman troops & tactics - Battle of Hastings & reasons for William's victory - Establishing control – William's next steps - The problem of the Marches - Motte and Bailey castles 	<p>GCSEPod links: https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/11390/69813 https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/11392/69817</p> <p>Revision Book: Anglo-Saxon and Norman England, c1060-88 Pages 12-19</p> <p>BBC Bitesize:</p>

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		<p>Whitechapel as an inner-city area of poverty and discontent.</p> <p><i>Types of sources relevant to this option.</i></p>		<p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zgdk4j6</p> <p>The Normans overview, 1066 – the battles, castles in Norman England</p> <p>Video - https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3vywsg</p>
19 th January 2026	Whitechapel, c1870–c1900: crime and policing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The inhabitants of Whitechapel. The lack of employment opportunities and level of poverty. The prevalence of lodging houses and pubs creating a fluctuating population without ties to the community. The impact of changing patterns of migration: the settlement of migrants from Ireland and Eastern Europe, and the increase in Jewish immigration during the 1880s. <p><i>Source utility.</i></p>	<p>The Civil Rights Movement, 1954-60:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brown v. Topeka Little Rock High Montgomery Bus Boycott <p>Opposition to the Civil Rights movement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Southern racism & the KKK Murder of Emmett Till Opposition to desegregation after Brown v Topeka Political opposition to desegregation Civil Rights Act, 1957 	<p>GCSEPod links:</p> <p>https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/11798/72895</p> <p>Revision Book:</p> <p>The USA, 1954-75: conflict at home and abroad</p> <p>Pages 6-13</p> <p>BBC Bitesize:</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zttbr2p</p> <p>Fighting for civil rights</p>
26 th January 2026	Whitechapel, c1870–c1900: crime and policing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The organisation of policing in Whitechapel. The role of the 'beat constable'. The work of H division and the difficulties of policing the slum area of Whitechapel, the rookeries, alleys and courts. Problems of policing caused by crime and antisocial behaviour: alcohol, prostitution, protection rackets, gangs, violent demonstrations 	<p>Vietnam War: Reasons for US military involvement in Vietnam, 1954-63:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Division of Vietnam Greater involvement under Eisenhower Dien's government Greater involvement under Kennedy <p>The escalation of the conflict under Johnson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Threat of Vietcong Gulf of Tonkin incident Nature of conflict – guerilla tactics; methods used by USA Tet Offensive 	<p>GCSEPod links:</p> <p>https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/10672/65581</p> <p>https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/11718/72315</p> <p>https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/12083/74714</p> <p>Revision Book:</p> <p>The USA, 1954-75: conflict at home and abroad</p> <p>Pages 28-37</p> <p>BBC Bitesize:</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zvmrr2p/revision/1</p> <p>US involvement in the Vietnam War, President Kennedy and Vietnam, 1961-63, President Johnson and escalation of the conflict, Guerrilla warfare, President Johnson's plans for Vietnam, The Tet Offensive</p>

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		and attacks on Jewish people. <i>Following up a source.</i>		
2 nd February 2026	Mock examinations	Paper 1 – Thursday 5 February (1 hr 20)	<p>Anglo-Saxon and Norman England: Edward the Confessor and the succession crisis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Godwins - Harold Godwinson's embassy to Normandy - death of Edward the Confessor - The rising against Tostig and his exile - rivals for the throne - Battles of Gate Fulford & Stamford Bridge <p>Norman government:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Centralised power - Role of regents & sheriffs - Introduction of the 'forest' - Domesday Book <p>Cold War: The Cold War intensifies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Arms race - Destalinisation - Hungarian Uprising - Berlin, 1958-61 & Berlin Wall <p>Changing relationship between the superpowers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Détente - SALT - Soviet invasion of Afghanistan - Ronald Reagan 	<p>GCSEPod links: https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/11386/69807</p> <p>Revision Book: Anglo-Saxon and Norman England, c1060-88 Pages 6-11; 32-35</p> <p>BBC Bitesize: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zgdk4j6 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zpwtg82/revision/1 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zyvwp39/revision/1 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zsg2ycw/revision/1</p> <p>GCSEPod links: https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/10668/65540 https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/10672/65583 https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/13377/80396 https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/11670/71835</p> <p>Revision Book: Superpower relations and the Cold War, 1941-91 Pages 14-23; 32-37</p> <p>BBC Bitesize:</p>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mikhail Gorbachev 	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zyt42p3/revision/3 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zwp86fr/revision/1
9 th February 2026	Mock examinations	<p>Paper 2 – Monday 9 February (1 hr 50)</p> <p>Paper 3 – Wednesday 11 February (1 Hr 30)</p>	<p>Vietnam War: Reasons for US military involvement in Vietnam, 1969-73</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nixon doctrine - Vietnamisation - Attacks on Cambodia - Bombing of North Vietnam <p>The Civil Rights Movement, 1960-65:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Birmingham, 1963 - March on Washington, 1963 - Freedom Summer, 1964 - Civil Rights Act, 1964 - The Voting Rights Act, 1965 - Selma, 1965 	<p>GCSEPod links:</p> <p>https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/12081/76419 https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/12081/76422</p> <p>Revision Book: The USA, 1954-75: conflict at home and abroad Pages 38-41</p> <p>BBC Bitesize: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z89hg82/revision/6</p> <p>GCSEPod: https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/11799/72900 https://members.gcsepod.com/shared/podcasts/title/11799/72901</p> <p>Revision Book: The USA, 1954-75: conflict at home and abroad Pages 14-19</p> <p>BBC Bitesize: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zynp9ty/watch/z7sh46f https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z2r66g8/revision/2 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z2r66g8/revision/3 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z2r66g8/revision/4</p>
16 th February 2026	HALF TERM			
23 rd February 2026	Whitechapel, c1870–c1900:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigative policing in Whitechapel: developments in 		

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	crime and policing	<p>techniques of detective investigation, including the use of sketches, photographs and interviews; problems caused by the need for cooperation between the Metropolitan Police, the City of London Police and Scotland Yard. Dealing with the crimes of Jack the Ripper and the added problems caused by the media reporting of the 'Ripper' murders. The Whitechapel Vigilance Committee.</p> <p><i>Source utility.</i></p>		
2 nd March 2026	Whitechapel, c1870–c1900: crime and policing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The national and regional context: the working of the Metropolitan Police, the quality of police recruits. The development of CID, the role of the Home Secretary and of Sir Charles Warren, public attitudes towards the police. <p><i>Following up a source.</i></p>		
9 th March 2026	c1500–c1700: Crime and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuity and change in the nature of crimes against the person, 		

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	punishment in early modern England 1 Nature and changing definitions of criminal activity 2 The nature of law enforcement and punishment	<p>property and authority, including heresy and treason.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• New definitions of crime in the sixteenth century: vagabondage and witchcraft.• The role of the authorities and local communities in law enforcement, including town watchmen.• The continued use of corporal and capital punishment; the introduction of transportation and the start of the Bloody Code.		
16 th March 2026	3 Case studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Gunpowder Plotters, 1605: their crimes and punishment.• Key individual: Matthew Hopkins and the witch-hunts of 1645–47. The reasons for their intensity; the punishment of those convicted.		
23 rd March 2026	c1700–c1900: Crime and punishment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continuity and change in the nature of crimes against the person, property and authority,		

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	in eighteenth- and nineteenth-century Britain 1 Nature and changing definitions of criminal activity 2 The nature of law enforcement and punishment	<p>including highway robbery, poaching and smuggling.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Changing definitions of crime exemplified in the ending of witchcraft prosecutions and treatment of the Tolpuddle Martyrs.• The role of the authorities and local communities in law enforcement, including the work of the Fielding brothers. The development of police forces and the beginning of CID.• Changing views on the purpose of punishment. The use and ending of transportation, public execution and the Bloody Code. Prison reform, including the influence of John Howard and Elizabeth Fry.		
30 th March 2026				
6 th April 2026				
13 th April 2026	3 Case studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pentonville prison in the mid nineteenth century: reasons for its construction; the		

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		<p>strengths and weaknesses of the separate system in operation.</p> <p>Key individual: Robert Peel – his contribution to penal reform and to the development of the Metropolitan Police Force.</p>		
20 th April 2026	<p>c1900–present: Crime and punishment in modern Britain</p> <p>1 Nature and changing definitions of criminal activity</p> <p>2 The nature of law enforcement and punishment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continuity and change in the nature of crimes against the person, property and authority, including new forms of theft and smuggling.• Changing definitions of crime, including driving offences, race crimes and drug crimes.• The role of the authorities and local communities in law enforcement, including the development of Neighbourhood Watch. Changes within the police force: increasing specialisation, use of science and technology and the move towards prevention.• The abolition of the death penalty; changes to prisons, including the development of open		

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		prisons and specialised treatment of young offenders; the development of non-custodial alternatives to prison.		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">•		
27 th April 2026	3 Case studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The treatment of Conscientious Objectors in the First and Second World Wars.• The Derek Bentley case: its significance for the abolition of the death penalty.		
4th May 2026				
Examination Dates	Paper 1 – Crime and Punishment Paper 2 – Superpower relations and the Cold War 1941-91 AND Anglo-Saxon and Norman England c1060-1088 Paper 3 – USA 1954-75 Conflict at home and abroad		Friday 15 May (am) – 1hr20 Thursday 4 June (am) – 1hr50 Tuesday 9 June (pm) – 1hr30	