

# History KS3 Learning Journey



## Top 3 tips for parents and carers during KS3

- ✓ Encourage your child justify their opinions.
- ✓ Support your child to proof read each piece of work.
- ✓ Ensure your child is reading for at least 20 minutes daily, either alone or with yourself – this can be fiction or non-fiction.



## Places to visit during KS3

[Imperial War Museum](#)  
[Museum of Science and Industry](#)  
[International Slavery Museum](#)



## Online learning during KS3

[BBC Bitesize](#)  
[Seneca Learning](#)  
[Education Quizzes](#)



## Student development opportunities during KS3

History club, museum trips, recommended reading titles, Holocaust Memorial Day activities.



## Key assessment pieces during KS3

Each topic includes a KAP which encompasses two parts. The first includes ten factual recall questions which cover the topics content over a broader period. The second is an extended writing task based on a specific depth topic.

## Knowledge, skills and understanding

### Year 7

**Why were we all speaking French after 1066?**  
Norman invasion of 1066, Motte and Bailey castles, the Feudal system

### Year 7

**Who really had control of England in the Middle Ages; Church or Crown?**  
Thomas Becket, King John, Black Death, Wars of the Roses

**How roaring were the 1920s?**  
Life in 1920s America including boom and bust

### Year 8

**How did Germany fall into the hands of a dictator?**  
Adolf Hitler and Nazi Germany

**How did we go from boiling water to tagging people's legs?**  
The development of crime and punishment from the medieval period, to the modern day

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**Why was England turned upside down after 1533?**  
The Tudor Monarchs and the English Reformation – Henry VIII, Edward VI, Mary I and Elizabeth I. The Stuart Kings and century of turmoil – gunpowder plot, English Civil War and the Great Fire of London

### Year 8

**Why did we get stuck in the mud?**  
The causes of WW1, fighting and conditions in the trenches, peace and the Treaty of Versailles

### Year 8

**Why were the Allies victorious at the end of WW2?**  
Key battles of WW2 and the Homefront

### Year 9

**How cold really was the Cold War?**  
The Cold War and international conflict between the USA and USSR

### Year 9

**The American West**  
The development of the American West, including why people migrated west, and what life was like when they got there

**Introduction to history skills**  
Chronology, sources and interpretation, bias

### Year 8

**Why did 14 million Africans end up in America?**  
The Transatlantic Slave Trade and plantation life in America

### Year 9

**How did Civil Rights develop at home and abroad?**  
The Civil Rights Movement