

Year 8 History Mid KS3 Assessment

Skills being tested

The Year 8 mid KS3 assessment tests students' ability to both recall their knowledge of the topics they have studied but also to develop their use of sources and extended writing skills.

The following skills will be assessed:

Knowledge & Understanding

Change & Continuity

Causation & Chronology

Historical Enquiry

Interpretation

The structure of the assessment

There are 5 sections to the assessment, and students should complete all of them. The total is out of 50 marks.

Section 1 - Multiple Choice - 10 marks

- 10 questions assessing your Knowledge & Understanding of Year 7 & 8 topics

Section 2 - Interpretations - 8 marks

- In question 11 you will need to use the source content to explain the differences between the two sources. You will be expected to write one paragraph.
- In question 12 you will need to use the source provenance to explain why the two sources are different. You will be expected to write one paragraph.

Section 3 - Change & Continuity - 8 marks

- In question 13 you will need to explain both sides of the argument. You will be expected to write two paragraphs.

Section 4 - Historical Enquiry - 12 marks

- In question 14 you will need to use the source and your own knowledge to explain why the source supports a particular point of view. You will be expected to write one paragraph.
- In question 15 you need to explain why the source is useful to historians studying this topic. You will do this by discussing the Content and Provenance of the source backed up by your own knowledge. You will be expected to write two paragraphs.

Section 5 - Cause & Consequence - 12 marks

- In question 16 you will need to explain both sides of the argument and make a judgement. You will be expected to write three paragraphs.

What to revise

Medieval England - Norman Conquest, Medieval life, Religious Beliefs and Power & Rights

English Reformation - Religious changes under Henry VIII, Elizabeth I & the Spanish Armada

English Civil War - Issues in Charles I reign that led to the outbreak of Civil War

All of the resources that you need are in your Google Classroom account for your History class. Here you can find all of the presentations and resources from every lesson you have had this year.