

Year 8 - History - 2024

TERM 1

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| | Depth Study 1 - The Western and Islamic World - Medieval Europe | |
| | Students learn about the key features of the medieval world, including feudalism, daily life, warfare, and religion. | |
| | UNIT OVERVIEW | ASSESSMENT |
| TIMING 10 Weeks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Overview:</i> (10% teaching time) including fall of Western Roman Empire and emergence of Christianity, Islam and feudalism • <i>Depth Study:</i> The way of life in Medieval Europe (social, cultural, economic and political features) and the changing roles and relationships of different groups in society • Significant developments and/or cultural achievements, such as the Norman conquest of England and changing relations between Islam and the West (including the Crusades), architecture, and music • Continuity and change in society in ONE of the following areas: crime and punishment; military and defence systems; towns, cities and commerce • The role of a significant individual (e.g., Charlemagne, William the Conqueror, Joan of Arc, Suleyman the Magnificent) | <p>Task Number:1</p> <p>Nature of Task: Research and PowerPoint Presentation</p> <p>Percentage: 50%</p> <p>Week: 9</p> <p>Reported: Semester 1</p> |

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| TERM 2 | | |
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| TIMING Weeks: 5 | Depth Study 2 - Expanding Contacts - Black Death in Asia, Europe and Africa Focus: Students develop an appreciation and understanding of the key features of the Black Death in Asia, Europe and Africa in the 14 th century | |
| | UNIT OVERVIEW | ASSESSMENT |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living conditions and religious beliefs in the 14th century • The role of expanding trade between Europe and Asia in the Black Death, including the origin and spread of the disease • The cause and symptoms of the Black Death • The effects of the Black Death on Asian, European and African populations | Task Number:2 Nature of Task: Exam Percentage: 50% Week: 5 Reported: Semester 1 |
| TIMING Weeks:5 | Depth Study 3 - The Asia – Pacific World - Japan under the Shoguns Focus: Students develop an appreciation and understanding of the key features of the medieval Japan, including feudalism, daily life, warfare and religion. | |
| | UNIT OVERVIEW | ASSESSMENT |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The way of life in Shogunate Japan, including social, cultural, economic and political features (including the feudal system and the increasing power of the shogun) • The role of the Tokugawa Shogunate in reimposing a feudal system (based on daimyo and samurai) and the increasing control of the shogun over foreign trade • The use of environmental resources in Shogunate Japan and the forestry and land use policies of the Tokugawa Shogunate • Theories about the decline of the Shogunate, including modernisation and westernisation, through the adoption of Western arms and technology | Informal |