Barnsley Academy – Year 8 History Curriculum Overview 2023-24

Autumn Term			Spring Term			Summer Term		
Half-Term 1	Class Focus	Homework		Class Focus	Homework		Class Focus	Homework
Week 1		Reformation	Week 1		nglish Civil War	Week 1	7. How did enslaved people	Homework
	1. Welcome to Y8 History & Baseline Assessment	Reformation knowledge organiser given out for bi-weekly facts tests		1. How far did King James VI and I differ from his predecessors?	English Civil War Knowledge organiser given out for bi-weekly facts tests.		resist and rebel against slavery?	
	2. Why were some people criticising Catholicism?			2. What were the key events of the 1605 gunpowder plot?			8. What factors led to the abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade?	
Week 2	3. What led to the Reformation in Europe?		Week 2	3. What were the long-term causes of the English Civil War?		Week 2	9. Assessment Prep	Bi-weekly facts test.
	4. How did the Renaissance change Europe?			4 What were the short-term causes of the English Civil War?			10. Assessment (Extended Writing)	
Week 3	5. What were the main	Bi-weekly facts test.	Week 3	5. Assessment Prep	Bi-weekly facts test.	Week 3		British Empire
	differences between Catholics and Protestants?						1. How was the Spanish Empire able to dominate the New World by the 16th century?	Empire knowledge organiser given out for bi-weekly facts test.
	6. How did the Tudors come to control England?			6. Assessment (Extended Writing)			2. How was Britain able to create an empire?	
Week 4	7. Why did Henry VIII want to break with Rome? (Part 1)		Week 4	7. How deadly were the armies during the English Civil War?		Week 4	Closing the Gap	
	8. Why did Henry VIII want to break with Rome? (Part 2)			8. Why was the New Model able to defeat Charles I?			3. What was India like before Britain arrived?	
Week 5	9. Why did Henry VIII want to break with Rome? (Part 3) 10. Assessment Prep	Bi-weekly facts test.	Week 5	9. What role did Pontefract Castle play in the Civil War? 10. Closing the Gap	Bi-Oweekly facts test.	Week 5	4. How was Britain able to dominate India? 5. Was British rule in India	Bi-weekly facts test.
	10. Assessment Frep			10. Closing the dap			accepted?	
Week 6	11. Assessment (Extended		Week 6	11. Why was the execution		Week 6	6. Was British influence in	
	Writing)			of Charles I significant?	_		India positive or negative?	
	12. How far did Henry VIII's break			12. How far did England			7. What led to the decline of	
	with Rome change England?			change under the rule of Cromwell?			the British Empire?	
Week 7	Unit 2: The Tudors & Religious Change		Week 7	13. How were Jews treated	Bi-weekly facts test.	Week 7	Revision for U	JL End of Year Exam
				in Cromwell's England?			1. Reformation Revision	Bi-weekly facts test.
	1. How far did the Church change under Edward VI?	organiser given out for bi-weekly					2 Tuday Parising	
	2. How far did the Church change under Mary I?	facts test.		14. Why was the Monarchy restored in England?			2. Tudors Revision	
Week 8	3. Closing the Gap		Week 8	Unit 4: Transatlantic Slave Trade		-		
				1. How advanced was West	Slave Trade knowledge organiser	-		
				Africa in the 16th Century?	given out for bi-weekly facts tests.	Week 8	3. English Civil War Revision	
	4. Does Mary I really deserve the nickname 'Bloody Mary'?			2. What factors led West Africans to trade with Europeans?			4. Transatlantic Slave Trade Revision	
Week 9	5. How far did the Church change under Elizabeth I?	Bi-weekly facts test	Week 9	3. What caused Britain to become involved in the Transatlantic Slave Trade?		Week 9	UL End of Year Test	Bi-weekly facts test.
	6. Did challenges to the religious settlement lead to change?			4. What was the experience of enslaved people on board slave ships?			UL End of Year Test	

Week 10	7. How significant were the	. How significant were the		5. What happened when	Bi-weekly facts test.	Week 10	Unit 6: Ind	ustrial Revolution
	religious changes of the Tudor period?			enslaved people arrived in the New World?	·		1. How did Britain change between 1750-1900?	
	8. Assessment Prep			6. What was life on the plantations like for enslaved people?			2. Why was there an Industrial Revolution?	
Week 11	9. Assessment (Extended Writing)	Bi-weekly facts test.				Week 11	3. What was life like in a Victorian town?	Bi-weekly facts test.
	10. Why was Elizabeth's failure to marry so significant?						4. Why were living conditions in Victorian towns so poor?	
Week 12	11. How far was Mary Queen of Scots a significant threat to Elizabeth?		_			Week 12	5. What was it like to work in a coal mine?	
	12. Why did the Spanish Armada fail?						6. How far was Barnsley changed during the Industrial Revolution?	
Week 13	13. Closing the Gap					Week 13	7. How useful are sources for an enquiry into living conditions during the industrial revolution?	Bi-weekly facts test.
	14. What was life like in Tudor England?						Contingency Lesson	
Week 14	15. What was the experience of women in Tudor England?	Bi-weekly facts test.	-			Week 14	Contingency Lesson	
	Contingency Lesson						Contingency Lesson	
Week 15	Contingency Lesson		-					
	Contingency Lesson							
Assessment	"Henry VIII's desire for a male heir was the main reason for the break with Rome." How far do you agree? (16 Marks + 4 SPaG) "Religion in England changed the most during the reign of Mary I." How far do you agree? (16 Marks + 4 SPaG)		Assessment	How far do you agree? (16 ma "The actions of William Wilbe	rforce were the main reason for the British Empire in 1833" How far do	Assessment United Learning End of Year Exam (unseen)		Exam (unseen)