Year 8

Students will build on any relevant learning from Year 7, following four main themes of History: Life & Society, Conflict, Power & Protest, and Empire. Timings are approximate.

| | Half Term 1 | Half Term 2 | Half Term 3 | Half term 4 | Half term 5 / 6 | Half Term 6 |
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| Key knowledge | Key theme: Power and Protest | Key theme: Life and Society | Key theme: Empire | Key theme: Power and Protest | Key theme: Conflict | Key theme: Conflict |
| | Big Picture Question: What were the causes and consequences of the English Civil War? Lessons cover: What caused the English Civil War? What did warfare look like in the 1600s? Why did Parliament win the English Civil War? Consequences of the English Civil War. | Big Picture Questions: What changes did the Industrial Revolution bring? Lessons Cover: Who were the Luddites? What were conditions like in Bradford's mills? What were living conditions like in 19th Century towns and cities? How and why did Public Health improve the 19th Century? | Big Picture Questions: Why did Britain build an Empire? Why and how was Slavery abolished? Lessons Cover: Why did Britain build an empire? What was the human cost of the empire? How was slavery abolished? Was the British Empire ever a force for good? | Big Picture Question: How successful were attempts to win the right to vote? Lessons cover: Who could vote in the 19th Century? Why were major changes were made to voting rights in the nineteenth century? How did women win the right to vote? | Big Picture Question: What was the First World War like? Lessons cover: How did two bullets kill 10 million people? Why did some many men die during the FWW? Why did Germany lose the First World War? Why should we remember the First World War? | Big Picture Question: Why did another World War break out? Lessons cover: What was the Treaty of Versailles? What were Hitler's aims for Germany? (Include German reaction to the T of V). How did Hitler's actions make war more likely? Why did Britain |
| Key concepts & skills developed | Interpretations Change and Continuity Cause and Consequence | Sources – Analysis of Utility Change and Continuity | Causation Using evidence | Sources – Analysis of utility Change and Continuity | Sources – analysis of utility/ significance Cause and Consequence | appease Hitler? Significance Cause and Consequence |