

History



Exam Board:

**Cambridge
International**

Syllabus Code:

0470

Course outline:

The Cambridge IGCSE will develop students' understanding of international relations and covers many of the main events of the 20th Century. We shall focus on the period after 1918.

- Were the peace treaties of 1919–23 fair?
- To what extent was the League of Nations a success?
- Why had international peace collapsed by 1939?
- Who was to blame for the Cold War?
- How effectively did the USA contain the spread of Communism?

We also focus on Germany in depth from 1918-1945.

- Was the Weimar Republic doomed from the start?
- Why was Hitler able to dominate Germany by 1934?
- How effectively did the Nazis control Germany, 1933-45?
- What was it like to live in Nazi Germany?

Course assessment:

In IGCSE History, there are three main assessments across the two years.

Paper 1 International Relations 60 marks 40%

This is a 2 hour exam paper which will be completed at the end of Year 11.

Paper 2 Source Work Paper 50 marks 33%

Candidates answer six questions on one prescribed topic taken from the Core Content.

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Paper 3 Coursework 50 marks 27%

One piece of extended writing based on a local study – The Significance of Castle Rushen. Students will receive guidance on content and structure in order to complete this piece of coursework at the end of Year 10.

What qualities do I need to take this subject?

You need to be curious about the past and want to read and learn more which will help you to understand the world today. You need to be able to make detailed clear notes to help your knowledge develop and to write good explanations for examination questions.

What can this course lead to?

History IGCSE is a wise choice for you! History is not just about facts, dates or people. It is about developing skills of analysis and evaluation that you will be able to take into the workplace or onto A-Levels and University or College. Employers and admissions tutors regard History as an excellent qualification which allows students to demonstrate their true ability. We have had many students who have gone onto studying History at University. History is a fascinating subject.

