

History Topic Checklist

The History exam has **two papers**. Each Paper is **2 hours** long.

Each paper is divided into **two sections**.

Paper 1: America 1840 – 1895 and Conflict and Tension 1894-1918

Paper 2: Britain Health and the People and Elizabethan England

You are recommended to spend **1 hour** on each section.

Answer **all questions** in your exam.

Paper 1: America 1840–1895: Expansion and consolidation

Topic	Revision Notes	Tested 1	RAG Rate	Retest	Retest
<p><u>The geography of North America</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ attitudes to the Great American Desert ▪ the belief in 'Manifest Destiny' 					
<p><u>Why the early settlers went west and the challenges they faced</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Brigham Young and the Mormons ▪ the pioneer migrant farmers ▪ the journey west ▪ the miners 					
<p><u>Dealing with a different culture</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the Plains Indians' way of life ▪ early American Government policy towards the Plains Indians 					
<p><u>Increasing conflict on the Plains</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the Fort Laramie Treaty (1851) ▪ The Indian Wars (1862–1867) Looking at reasons for and consequences of the Wars ▪ Sand Creek Massacre ▪ Fetterman's Trap. 					
<p><u>The background to the American Civil War:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ differences between North and South, ▪ issues of slavery, ▪ westward expansion and free states abolitionism ▪ breakdown of the Missouri Compromise, ▪ John Brown ▪ the roles of Lincoln and Jefferson Davis; ▪ the social and economic impact of the American Civil War on civilian populations. 					

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<p><u>Coming to terms with the Mormons</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the Mountain Meadow Massacre 					
<p><u>The aftermath of the American Civil War:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the 13th Amendment; ▪ Civil Rights Act; ▪ reconstruction in the South, 1866–1877 ▪ carpetbaggers ▪ the balance of Federal and State powers. 					
<p><u>The continued settlement of the west:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the Homesteaders, ▪ reasons for going west; ▪ government actions and laws; ▪ land and railroads; ▪ farming problems and solutions. 					
<p><u>The resolution of ‘the Indian problem’ after 1865:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the small reservations policy; ▪ attitudes to the native Americans; ▪ Battle of the Little Big Horn; ▪ The Dawes Act; ▪ Battle of Wounded Knee; ▪ impact on native Americans. 					

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Paper 1: Conflict and tension: the First World War, 1894–1918

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<p><u>The Alliance System:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the Triple Alliance and Triple Entente ▪ the crises in Morocco (1905 and 1911) ▪ the Balkans (1908–1909), 					
<p><u>Anglo-German rivalry:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Britain and challenges to Splendid Isolation; ▪ Kaiser Wilhelm’s aims in foreign policy ▪ Weltpolitik; ▪ European rearmament ▪ the Anglo-German naval race. 					
<p><u>Outbreak of war:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Relations between Serbia and Austria-Hungary; ▪ the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo its consequences; ▪ the July Crisis; ▪ the Schlieffen Plan and Belgium; 					
<p><u>The Schlieffen Plan:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the reasons for the plan, ▪ its failure, ▪ the Battle of Marne 					
<p><u>The Western Front:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ military tactics and technology, ▪ trench warfare; ▪ the war of attrition; ▪ Verdun, the reasons for, the events and significance ▪ the Somme the reasons for, the events and significance ▪ Passchendaele, the reasons for, the events and significance 					
<p><u>The wider war:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Gallipoli and its failure; ▪ the events and significance of the war at sea, including Jutland, the U – boat campaign and convoys. 					

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<u>Changes in the Allied Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">consequences of the Bolshevik Revolution and the withdrawal of Russia on Germany strategy;the reasons for and impact of the entry of the USA into the war					
<u>Military developments in 1918 and their contribution to Germany's defeat:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">the new tactics and technology;Ludendorff the German Spring Offensive;the Allied advance during The Hundred Days.Germany surrenders:impact of the blockade;abdication of the Kaiser;armistice;the contribution of Haig and Foch to Germany's defeat.					

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Paper 2: Britain: Health and the people

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<u>Medieval medicine:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hippocrates • Galen • The medieval doctor • Beliefs about cause of illness. • Treatments • Hospitals • Contribution of Christianity • Importance of Islamic medicine and surgery 					
<u>Medieval Public health in the Middle Ages:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • towns and monasteries; • the Black Death in Britain, beliefs about its causes, treatment and prevention. 					
<u>Renaissance on Britain:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vesalius • Paré • Harvey; • opposition to change. 					
<u>Renaissance: Dealing with Disease</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quackery; • methods of treating disease; • The Great Plague • the growth of hospitals; • Hunter. 					
<u>Renaissance: Prevention of disease:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • inoculation; • Edward Jenner, vaccination • opposition to change. 					
<u>Industrial Medicine</u> The development of Germ Theory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pasteur and vaccination; • Koch • Paul Ehrlich and magic bullets; • everyday medical treatments and remedies. 					

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<u>Industrial Surgery</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • anesthetics, including Simpson and chloroform; • antiseptics, including Lister and carbolic acid; • surgical procedures; • aseptic surgery. 					
<u>Industrial: Improvements in public health:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • public health problems in industrial Britain; • Cholera epidemics; • The role of public health reformers; • Local and national government involvement in public health improvement, including the 1848 and 1875 Public Health Acts. 					
<u>Modern treatment of disease:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Penicillin, its discovery by Fleming, its development; • new diseases and treatments, antibiotic resistance; • alternative treatments. 					
<u>The impact of war and technology on surgery:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • plastic surgery; • blood transfusions; • X-rays; transplant surgery; • modern surgical methods, including lasers, radiation therapy and keyhole surgery. 					
<u>A Modern public health:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the importance of Booth, Rowntree, and the Boer War; • the Liberal social reforms; • the impact of two world wars on public health, poverty and housing; • the Beveridge Report and the Welfare State; • creation and development of the National Health Service; • costs, choices and the issues of healthcare in the 21st century. 					

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Paper 2: Elizabethan England

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<u>Elizabeth I and her court:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court life • Key ministers. 					
<u>The difficulties of a female ruler:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • relations with Parliament; • the problem of marriage and the succession; • the strength of Elizabeth's authority at the end of her reign • Essex's rebellion in 1601. 					
<u>A 'Golden Age':</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • living standards and fashions; • Rise of the gentry • The Elizabethan theatre and its achievements • Attitudes to the theatre. 					
<u>The poor:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reasons for the increase in poverty; • attitudes and responses to poverty; • the reasons for government action and the seriousness of the problem. 					
<u>English sailors:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hawkins and Drake; • 1577–1580, voyages and trade; • the role of Raleigh. 					
<u>Religious matters:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Differences between Catholics and Protestants • the Northern Rebellion • Elizabeth's excommunication • Jesuits • Catholic plots and the threat to the Elizabethan settlement; • Puritans • Elizabeth responses towards religious matters. 					

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<u>Mary Queen of Scots:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Elizabeth and Parliament's treatment of Mary;Plots (Ridolfi Plot, Throckmorton plot and Babington Plot)execution and its impact.					
<u>Conflict with Spain:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">reasonseventsnaval warfare, including tactics and technologythe defeat of the Spanish Armada.					