

Humanities Streaming Talk

Syllabus 2023

Humanities Subject

- ◇ Humanities: 2 components
 - ◇ Humanities (Social Studies) *compulsory*
 - ◇ *plus* Humanities (Geography / History / Literature)

2nd Humanities

- ◇ History
- ◇ Geography

Humanities Streaming - History

What is HISTORY?

What skills will I develop?

- Study of events of the past
- Understand behaviour of people and society over time
- Courage of great man and woman, contributions of ordinary people
 - How things have changed or stayed constant
 - Help us understand the present



Research skills

Select evidence

Question reliability of information

Organise information

Construct an argument

Communicate & Writing skills

Analyse data

Humanities (History) vs History

Humanities (History)

3 periods over 2 weeks

History

6 periods over 2 weeks.

Humanities (History) and History

The Making of the 20th Century Modern World, 1910s–1991

After World War I	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Overview of World War I [Non-examinable]</i>• Aims and terms of the Paris Peace Conference and its immediate impact on Europe in the 1920s
Rise of Authoritarian Regimes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Overview of the attempts at establishing viable political systems after World War I [Non-examinable]</i>• Case Study of Nazi Germany*• Case Study of Militarist Japan, 1920s-1930s
War in Europe and Asia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key developments leading to the outbreak of World War II in Europe*• Key developments leading to the outbreak of World War II in Asia-Pacific• Reasons for the end of World War II
The Cold War	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Origins and development of the Cold War in Europe*• Extension of the Cold War outside Europe:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Case study of Korean War, 1950 – 1953*• Vietnam War, 1954 – 1975
End of the Cold War	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Overview of different phases of thawing and rising tensions between the USA and the USSR in the 1960s and 1970s [Non-examinable]</i>• Decline of the USSR and the end of Cold War

History

Extension of European control in Southeast Asia and challenges to European dominance, 1870s - 1942

- Extension of European control in Southeast Asia
- British Malaya, 1870s-1920s (Compulsory)*
 - Dutch Indonesia, 1870s-1920s **OR** French Vietnam, 1870s-1920s

Developments in the post-World War II world: The Cold War and decolonisation in Southeast Asia, 1940s - 1991

- Decolonisation and establishment of newly independent nations in Southeast Asia
- British Malaya, 1945-1957 (Compulsory)*
 - Dutch Indonesia, 1945-1949 **OR** French Vietnam, 1945-1954

Assessment Demands

- ◇ Humanities (History) – 1 Paper
- ◇ History – 2 Papers
- ◇ All papers are 1h 50m

Assessment Format

Section A: Source-Based Case Study
(30%) Q1a-e: source-based questions

Section B: Essay Questions
(20%) Answer 2 out of 3 questions set

Humanities (History)

Paper 1 (Social Studies) = 50%

Paper 2 (History) = 50%

Total = 100%

History

Paper 1 = 50%

Paper 2 = 50%

Total = 100%

Demands of History

Expectations

- ◇ Content heavy (a lot of reading)
- ◇ Concepts
 - ◇ History concepts: Cause & effect, chronology, change & continuity, historical perspectives etc
 - ◇ Content concepts: revolutions, imperialism etc
- ◇ Thinking skills mastery: describe, explain, analyse, evaluate

What can I do in future?



Research skills



Identify trends



Broad perspectives

Jobs related to History



Historian / Museum officers / Archivist /
Archeologist / Librarian / Teacher /
Reporter



What should I choose to study?

- ◆ As there are overlapping topics, you can only choose Humanities (History) or History as one of your choices.
- ◆ What is my interest?
- ◆ What are my strengths?

Any questions?

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