

# Humanities Streaming Talk

Syllabus 2023

# Humanities Subject

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

# 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)

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3 periods over 2 weeks

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

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

# Assessment Demands

◇ Humanities (History) – 1 Paper

◇ Duration: 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



## Humanities (History)

Paper 1 (Social Studies) = 50%

Paper 2 (History) = 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?

- ◆ What is my interest?
- ◆ What are my strengths?

Any questions?

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