



Why study History at Formby High School?

History is a fascinating and inspiring subject which deals with human beings, the human story and our past. It offers a perspective on, and an understanding of, the present and satisfies a basic human trait - our curiosity about our world. History develops the skills and capacities, especially of judgement, analysis and communication, which lead to success in many careers. Universities recognise that History is an academically rigorous subject and value these skills.

At Formby High School, your learning will be guided by staff who will provide a high level of support to maximise your progress.

What does the course involve?

The course specifications offer students the chance to study aspects of 19th and 20th Century political, social and economic history with a focus upon a comparison between the development of the USA and Britain in the 20th Century. They will develop various skills as well as detailed knowledge and understanding. Three of the units will be assessed through examination with one piece of coursework.

- Unit 1: Britain Transformed 1918-97
- Unit 2: The USA 1920-55 Boom, Bust and Recovery
- Unit 3: British Experience of Warfare c1790-1918
- Unit 4: Coursework (Origins of World War One)

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I have enjoyed studying History at A Level and would recommend the subject to anybody who is interested in how the United Kingdom and the USA have developed during the past century. Many of the areas covered reflect issues which are still relevant today. Apart from the content, I have been encouraged to develop the ability to think critically and to communicate my understanding effectively. The teaching staff are enthusiastic, knowledgeable and approachable.

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Megan joined Formby High Sixth Form from Sacred Heart

What can the qualification lead to?

History is a useful and often necessary subject for a number of careers in the media, journalism, law and local government, where employers appreciate analytical, investigative and communication skills. History qualifications are highly valued by a range of employers, as students of the subject are seen as inquisitive and capable of making their own judgements on information presented to them. You will also develop good communications skills and learn how to research independently and manage your own learning.

What are the entry requirements?

Grade 6 in GCSE History (if studied) or a grade 6 in GCSE English Language or English Literature.

Which other subjects complement History?

- English
- Geography
- Politics
- Religious Studies

